

# An Abstract Domain for Certifying Neural Networks



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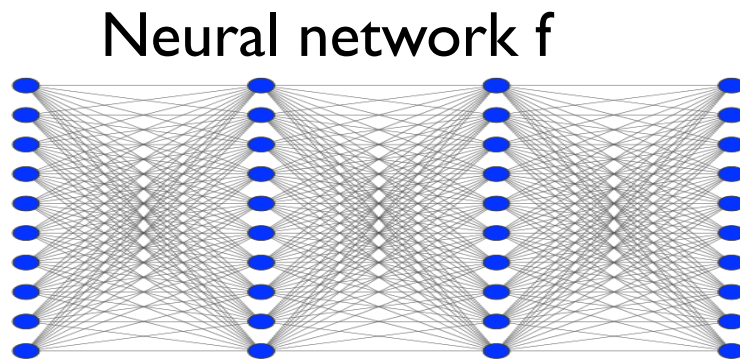
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# Adversarial input perturbations



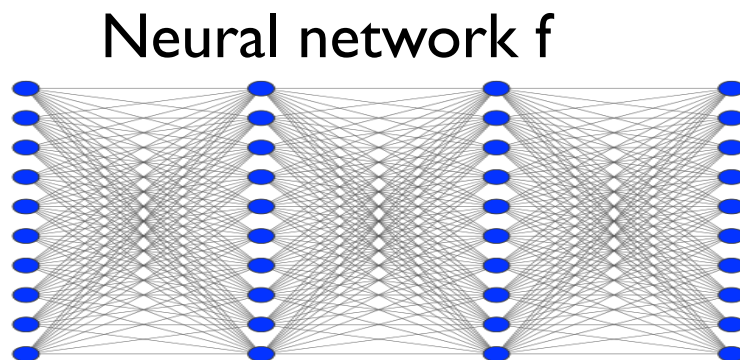
$I_0$



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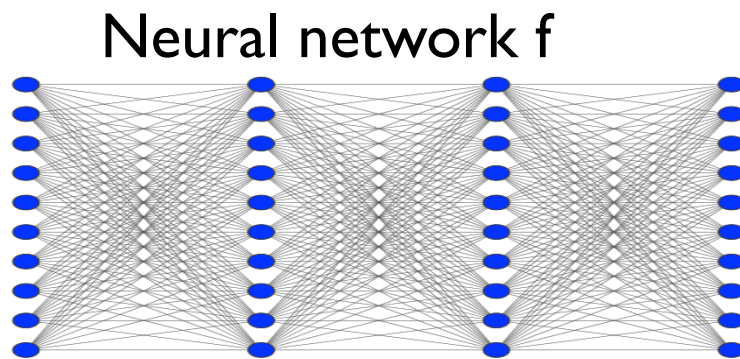
$I \in L_\infty(I_0, \epsilon)$



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$I \in Rotate(I_0, \epsilon, \alpha, \beta)$



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# Neural network robustness

Given: Neural network  $f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$   
Perturbation region  $\mathcal{R}(I_0, \phi)$

Regions:  $L_\infty(I_0, \epsilon)$ : All images  $I$  where  
pixel values in  $I$  and  $I_0$  differ by  
*at most*  $\epsilon$   
 $Rotate(I_0, \epsilon, \alpha, \beta)$ : All images  $I$  in  
 $L_\infty(I_0, \epsilon)$  rotated by  $\theta \in [\alpha, \beta]$

To Prove:  $\forall I \in \mathcal{R}(I_0, \phi). f(c) > f(j)$   
where  $c$  is the correct output  
and  $j$  is *any* other output

## Challenges

The size of  $\mathcal{R}(I_0, \phi)$  grows exponentially  
in the number of pixels:

- cannot compute  $f(I)$  for all  $I$  separately

## Prior Work

- Precise but does not scale:
  - SMT Solving [CAV'17]
  - Input refinement [USENIX'18]
  - Semidefinite relaxations [ICLR'18]
- Scales but imprecise
  - Linear relaxations [ICML'18]
  - Abstract interpretation [S&P'18, NIPS'18]

# This work: contributions

## A new abstract domain combining floating point Polyhedra with Intervals:

- custom transformers for common functions in neural networks such as affine transforms, ReLU, sigmoid, tanh, and maxpool activations
- scalable and precise analysis

## DeepPoly:

- complete and parallelized end-to-end implementation based on ELINA
- <https://github.com/eth-sri/eran>

## First approach to certify robustness under rotation combined with linear interpolation:

- based on refinement of the abstract input
- $\epsilon = 0.001, \alpha = -45^\circ, \beta = 65^\circ$

| Network                      | $\epsilon$ | NIPS'18                | DeepPoly              |
|------------------------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| ➤ 6 layers<br>➤ 3010 units   | 0.035      | proves 21%<br>15.8 sec | proves 64%<br>4.8 sec |
| ➤ 6 layers<br>➤ 34,688 units | 0.3        | proves 37%<br>17 sec   | proves 43%<br>88 sec  |

# Our Abstract Domain

**Shape:** associate a lower polyhedral  $a_i^{\leq}$  and an upper polyhedral  $a_i^{\geq}$  constraint with each  $x_i$

$$a_i^{\leq}, a_i^{\geq} \in \{x \mapsto v + \sum_{j \in [i-1]} w_j \cdot x_j \mid v \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}, w \in \mathbb{R}^{i-1}\} \text{ for } i \in [n]$$

**Concretization of abstract element  $a$ :**

$$\gamma_n(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \forall i \in [n]. a_i^{\leq}(x) \leq x_i \wedge a_i^{\geq}(x) \geq x_i\}$$

**Domain invariant:** store auxiliary concrete lower and upper bounds  $l_i, u_i$  for each  $x_i$

$$\gamma_n(a) \subseteq \times_{i \in [n]} [l_i, u_i]$$

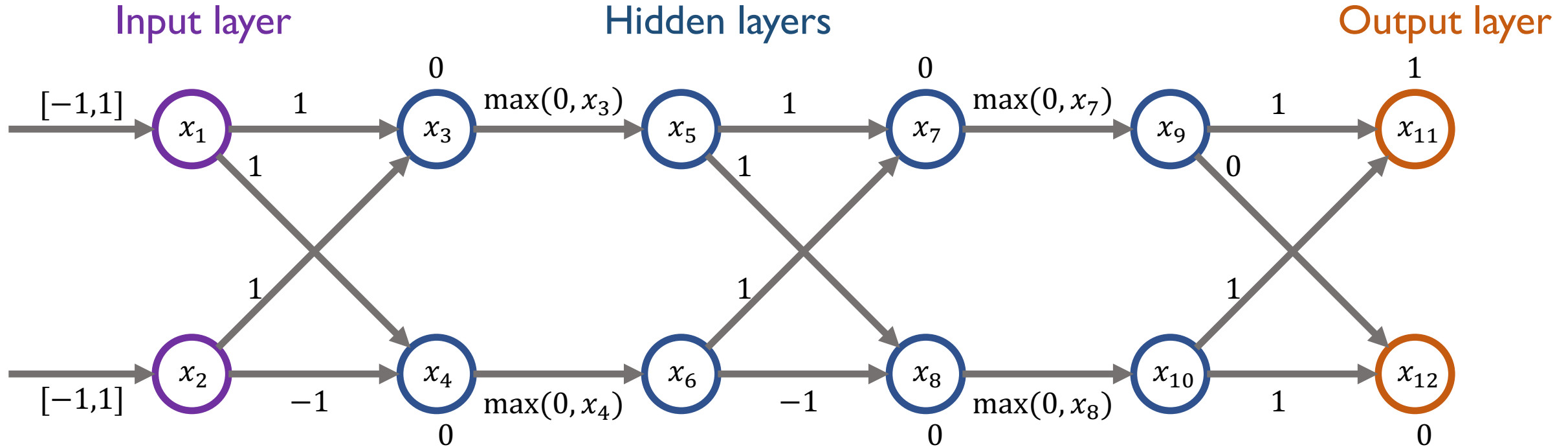
- less precise than Polyhedra, restriction needed to ensure scalability
- captures affine transformation precisely unlike Octagon, TVPI
- custom transformers for ReLU, sigmoid, tanh, and maxpool activations

$n$ : #neurons,  $m$ : #constraints

$w_{max}$ : max #neurons in a layer,  $L$ : # layers

| Transformer | Polyhedra       | Our domain       |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Affine      | $O(nm^2)$       | $O(w_{max}^2 L)$ |
| ReLU        | $O(\exp(n, m))$ | $O(1)$           |

# Example: Analysis of a Toy Neural Network

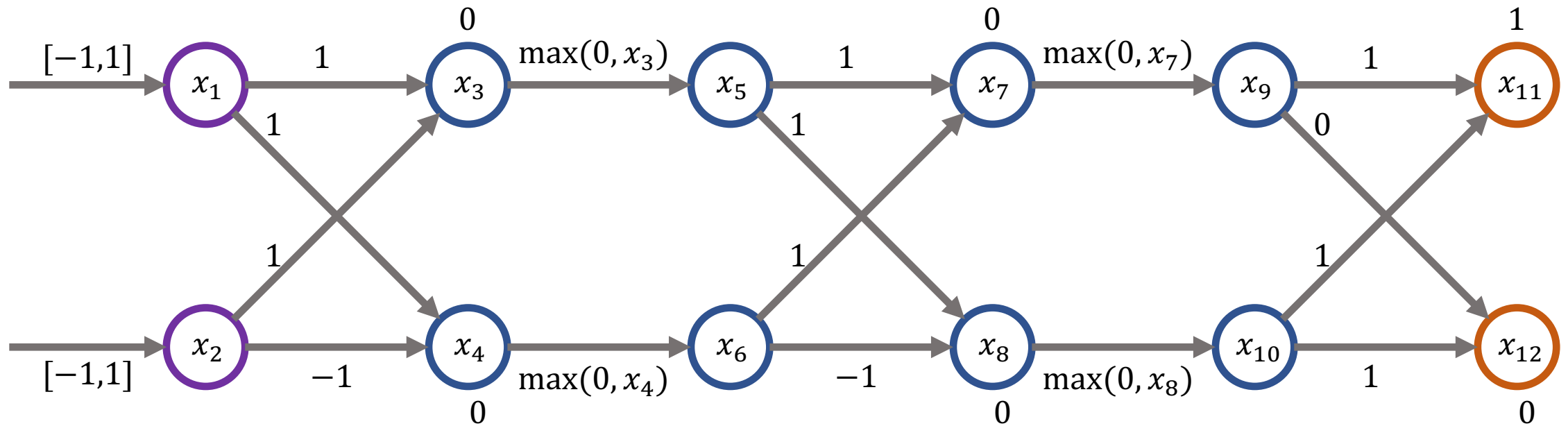


$$\langle x_1 \geq -1, \quad \langle x_3 \geq x_1 + x_2,$$

$$x_1 \leq 1, \quad x_3 \leq x_1 + x_2,$$

$$l_1 = -1, \quad l_3 = -2,$$

$$u_1 = 1 \rangle \quad u_3 = 2 \rangle$$



$$\langle x_2 \geq -1, \quad \langle x_4 \geq x_1 - x_2,$$

$$x_2 \leq 1, \quad x_4 \leq x_1 - x_2,$$

$$l_2 = -1, \quad l_4 = -2,$$

$$u_2 = 1 \rangle \quad u_4 = 2 \rangle$$

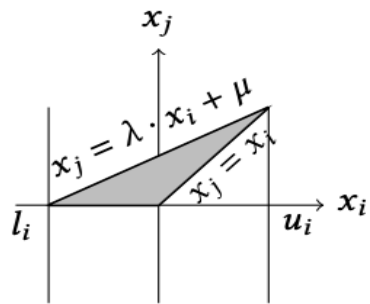
# ReLU activation

Pointwise transformer for  $x_j := \max(0, x_i)$  that uses  $l_i, u_i$

if  $u_i \leq 0, a_j^{\leq} = a_j^{\geq} = 0, l_j = u_j = 0,$

if  $l_i \geq 0, a_j^{\leq} = a_j^{\geq} = x_i, l_j = l_i, u_j = u_i,$

if  $l_i < 0$  and  $u_i > 0$

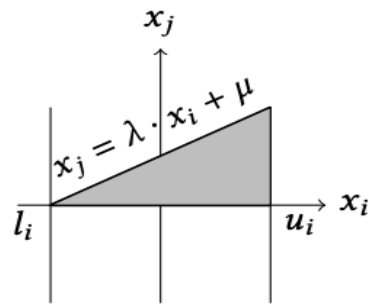


(a)

$$x_i \leq x_j, 0 \leq x_j,$$

$$x_j \leq u_i(x_i - l_i)/(u_i - l_i).$$

$$l_j = 0, u_j = u_i$$

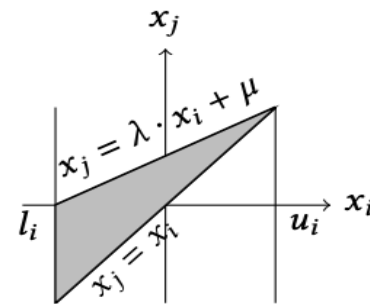


(b)

$$0 \leq x_j,$$

$$x_j \leq u_i(x_i - l_i)/(u_i - l_i),$$

$$l_j = 0, u_j = u_i$$



(c)

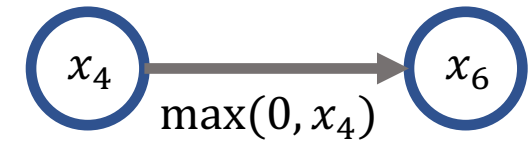
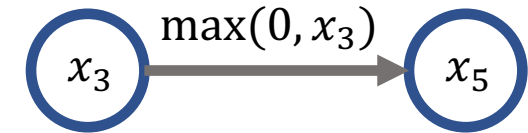
$$x_i \leq x_j,$$

$$x_j \leq u_i(x_i - l_i)/(u_i - l_i),$$

$$l_j = l_i, u_j = u_i$$

choose (b) or (c) depending on the area

$$\langle x_3 \geq x_1 + x_2, \langle x_5 \geq 0, \\ x_3 \leq x_1 + x_2, \quad x_5 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_3 + 1, \\ l_3 = -2, \quad l_5 = 0, \\ u_3 = 2 \rangle \quad u_5 = 2 \rangle$$

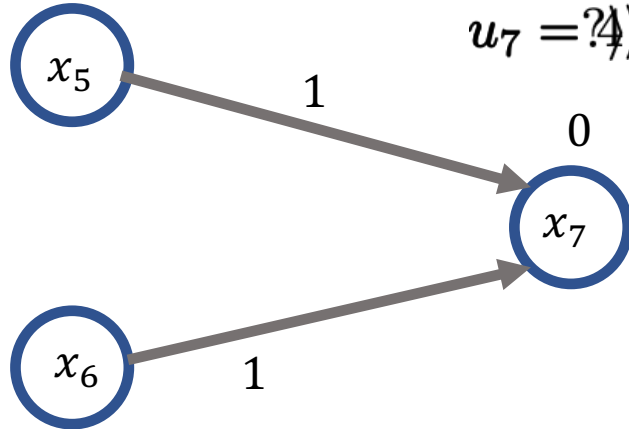


$$\langle x_4 \geq x_1 - x_2, \langle x_6 \geq 0, \\ x_4 \leq x_1 - x_2, \quad x_6 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_4 + 1, \\ l_4 = -2, \quad l_6 = 0, \\ u_4 = 2 \rangle \quad u_6 = 2 \rangle$$



# Affine transformation after ReLU

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle x_5 \geq 0, \\ &x_5 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_3 + 1, \quad \langle x_7 \geq x_5 + x_6, \\ &l_5 = 0, \quad x_7 \leq x_5 + x_6, \\ &u_5 = 2 \rangle \quad l_7 = 0, \\ &\quad \quad \quad u_7 = 4 \rangle \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} &\langle x_6 \geq 0, \\ &x_6 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_4 + 1, \\ &l_6 = 0, \\ &u_6 = 2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Imprecise upper bound  $u_7$  by substituting  $u_5, u_6$  for  $x_5$  and  $x_6$  in  $a_7^{\geq}$  9

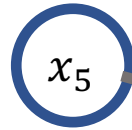
# Backsubstitution

$$\langle x_5 \geq 0,$$

$$x_5 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_3 + 1,$$

$$l_5 = 0,$$

$$u_5 = 2 \rangle$$



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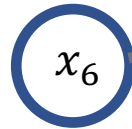
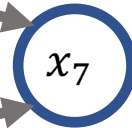
$$\langle x_7 \geq 0,$$

$$x_7 \leq 0.5 + x_6 + 0.5 \cdot x_4 + 2,$$

$$l_7 = ?,$$

$$u_7 = ? \rangle$$

0



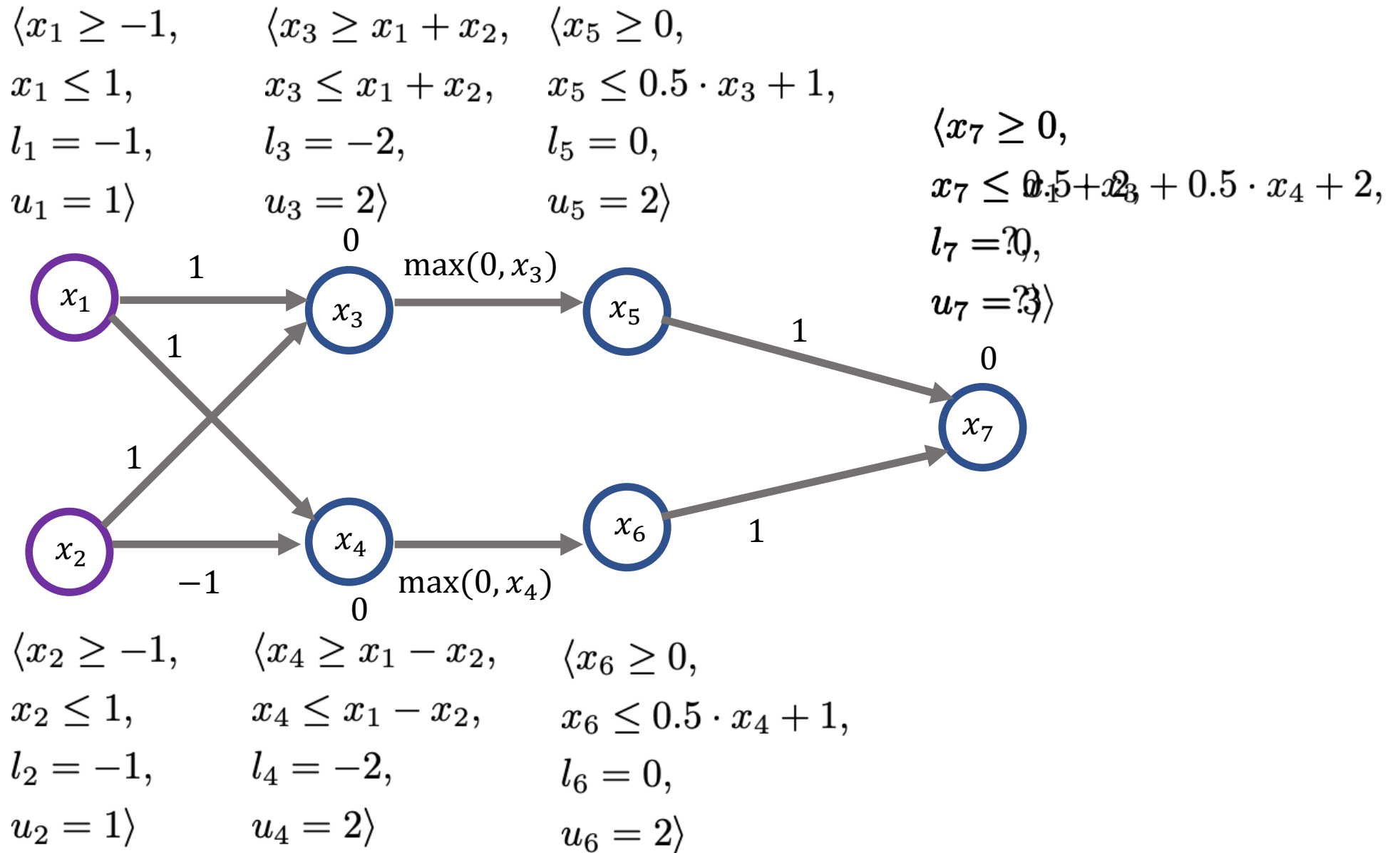
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$$\langle x_6 \geq 0,$$

$$x_6 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_4 + 1,$$

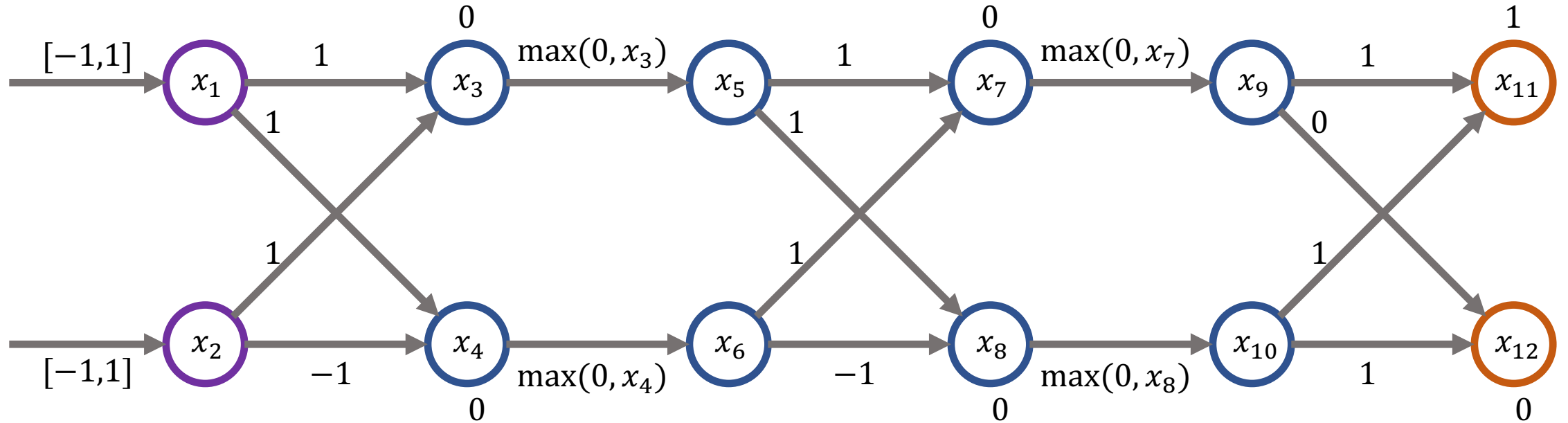
$$l_6 = 0,$$

$$u_6 = 2 \rangle$$



Affine transformation with backsubstitution is pointwise, complexity:  $O(w_{max}^2 L)$  <sup>11</sup>

$$\begin{array}{l}
\langle x_1 \geq -1, \quad \langle x_3 \geq x_1 + x_2, \quad \langle x_5 \geq 0, \quad \langle x_7 \geq x_5 + x_6, \quad \langle x_9 \geq x_7, \quad \langle x_{11} \geq x_9 + x_{10} + 1, \\
x_1 \leq 1, \quad x_3 \leq x_1 + x_2, \quad x_5 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_3 + 1, \quad x_7 \leq x_5 + x_6, \quad x_9 \leq x_7, \quad x_{11} \leq x_9 + x_{10} + 1, \\
l_1 = -1, \quad l_3 = -2, \quad l_5 = 0, \quad l_7 = 0, \quad l_9 = 0, \quad l_{11} = 1, \\
u_1 = 1 \rangle \quad u_3 = 2 \rangle \quad u_5 = 2 \rangle \quad u_7 = 3 \rangle \quad u_9 = 3 \rangle \quad u_{11} = 5.5 \rangle
\end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{l}
\langle x_2 \geq -1, \quad \langle x_4 \geq x_1 - x_2, \quad \langle x_6 \geq 0, \quad \langle x_8 \geq x_5 - x_6, \quad \langle x_{10} \geq 0, \quad \langle x_{12} \geq x_{10}, \\
x_2 \leq 1, \quad x_4 \leq x_1 - x_2, \quad x_6 \leq 0.5 \cdot x_4 + 1, \quad x_8 \leq x_5 - x_6, \quad x_{10} \leq 0.5 \cdot x_8 + 1, \quad x_{11} \leq x_{10}, \\
l_2 = -1, \quad l_4 = -2, \quad l_6 = 0, \quad l_8 = -2, \quad l_{10} = 0, \quad l_{12} = 0, \\
u_2 = 1 \rangle \quad u_4 = 2 \rangle \quad u_6 = 2 \rangle \quad u_8 = 2 \rangle \quad u_{10} = 2 \rangle \quad u_{12} = 2 \rangle
\end{array}$$

# Checking for robustness

Prove  $x_{11} - x_{12} > 0$  for all inputs in  $[-1,1] \times [-1,1]$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \langle x_{11} \geq x_9 + x_{10} + 1, & \langle x_{12} \geq x_{10}, \\ x_{11} \leq x_9 + x_{10} + 1, & x_{11} \leq x_{10}, \\ l_{11} = 1, & l_{12} = 0, \\ u_{11} = 5.5 \rangle & u_{12} = 2 \rangle \end{array}$$

Computing lower bound for  $x_{11} - x_{12}$  using  $l_{11}, u_{12}$  gives -1 which is an imprecise result

With backsubstitution, one gets 1 as the lower bound for  $x_{11} - x_{12}$ , proving robustness<sup>13</sup>

# More complex perturbations: rotations

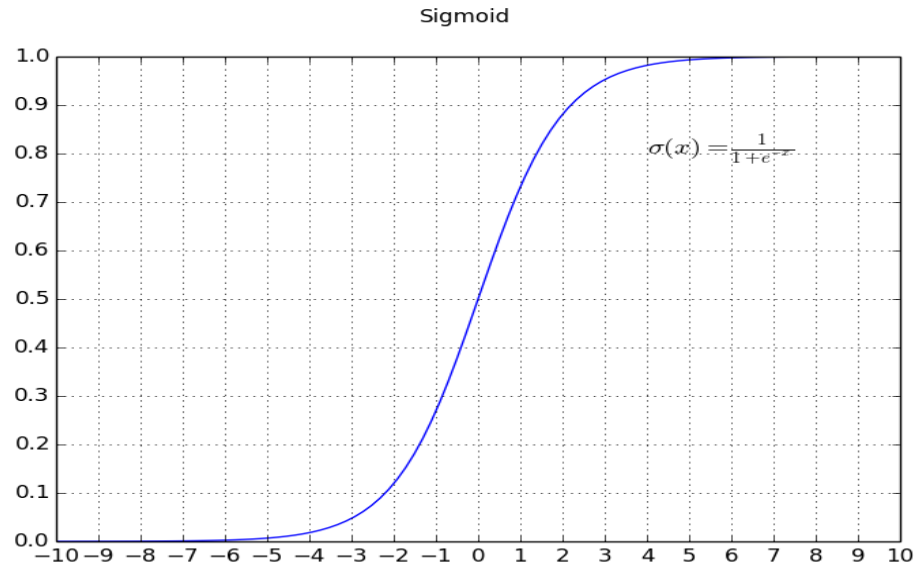


Challenge:  $Rotate(I_0, \epsilon, \alpha, \beta)$  is non-linear and cannot be captured in our domain unlike  $L_\infty(I_0, \epsilon)$

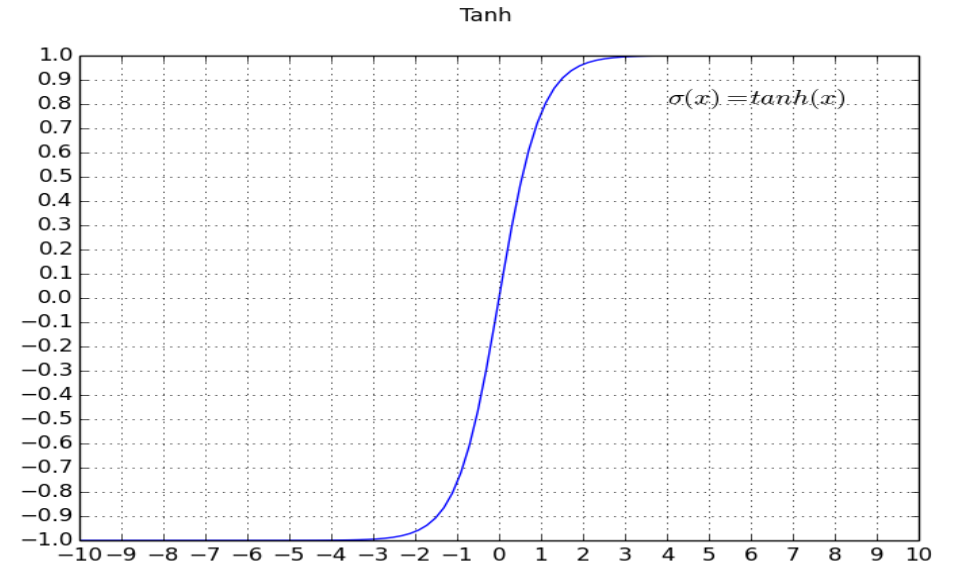
Solution: Over-approximate  $Rotate(I_0, \epsilon, \alpha, \beta)$  with boxes and use input refinement for precision

Result: Prove robustness for networks under  $Rotate(I_0, 0.001, -45, 65)$

# More in the paper



Sigmoid transformer



Tanh transformer

Maxpool transformer  $y := \max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r)$

$a_i^{\leq}, a_i^{\geq} \in \{x \mapsto [v^-, v^+] \oplus_f \sum_{j \in [i-1]} [w_j^-, w_j^+] \otimes_f x_j\}$

Floating point soundness

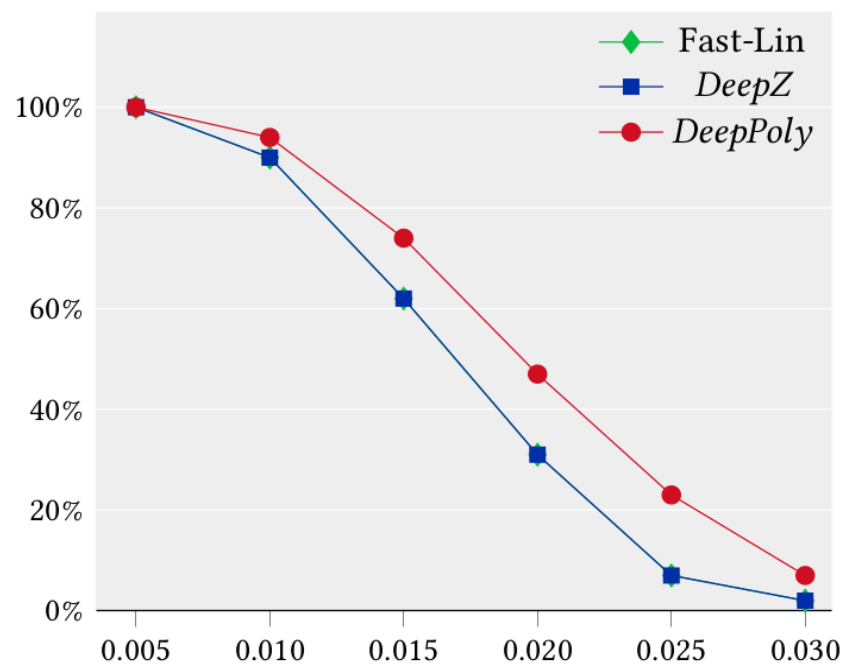
# Experimental evaluation

- Neural network architectures:
  - fully connected feedforward (FFNN)
  - convolutional (CNN)
- Training:
  - trained to be robust with DiffAI [ICML'18] and PGD [CVPR'18]
  - without adversarial training
- Datasets:
  - MNIST
  - CIFAR10
- DeepPoly vs. state-of-the-art DeepZ [NIPS'18] and Fast-Lin [ICML'18]



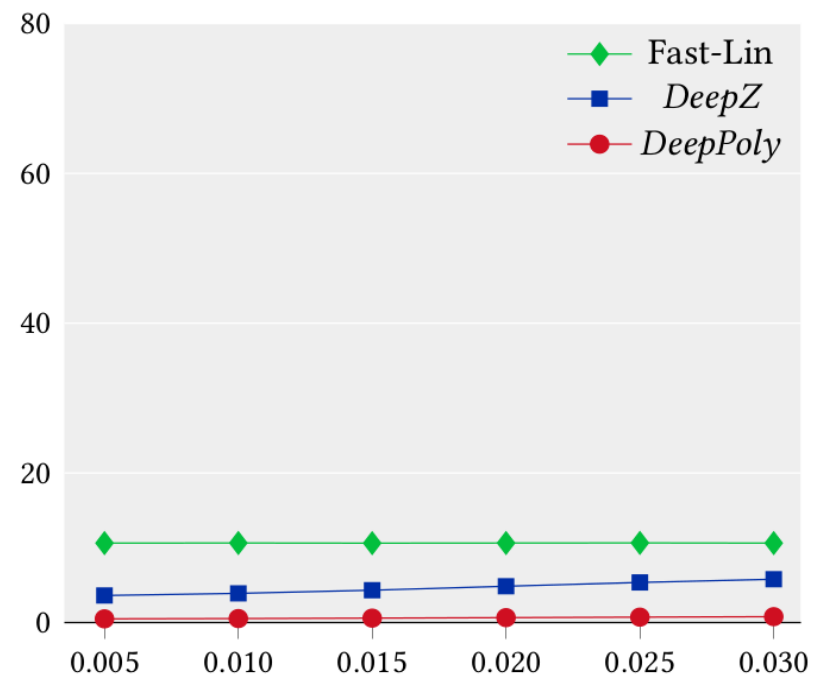
# Results

Verified robustness



(a) MNIST  $6 \times 100$

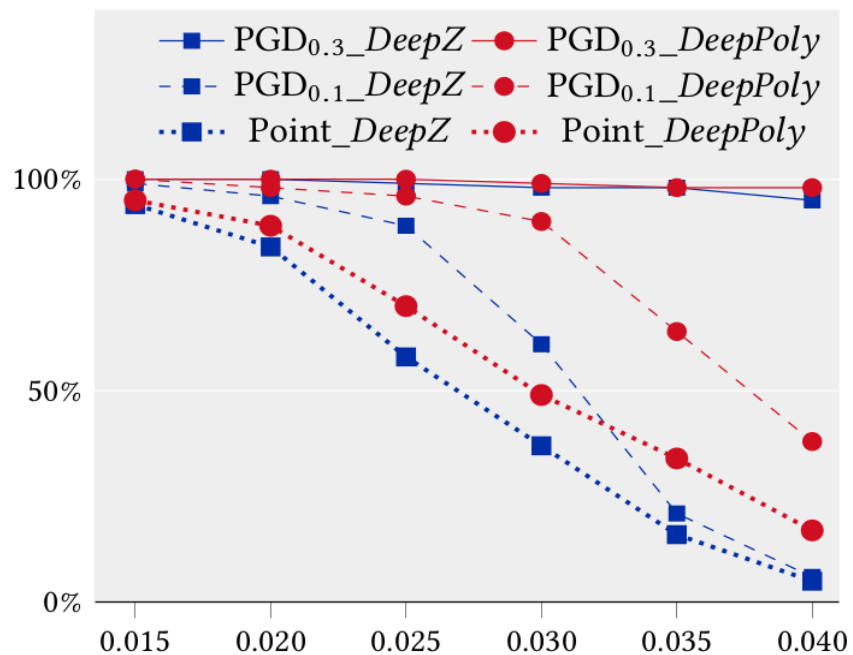
Time (s)



(b) MNIST  $6 \times 100$

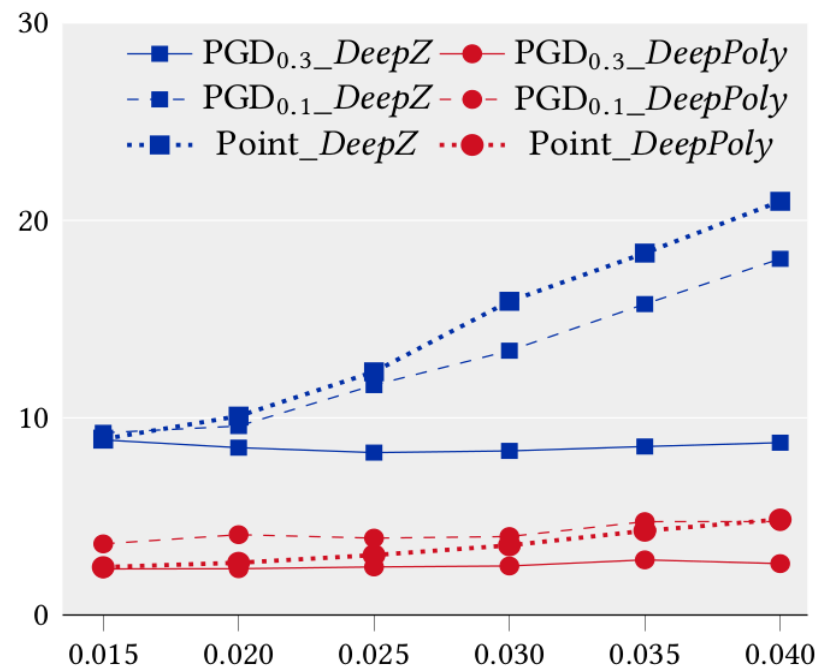
# MNIST FFNN (3,010 hidden units)

Verified robustness



(a) MNIST  $6 \times 500$  ReLU

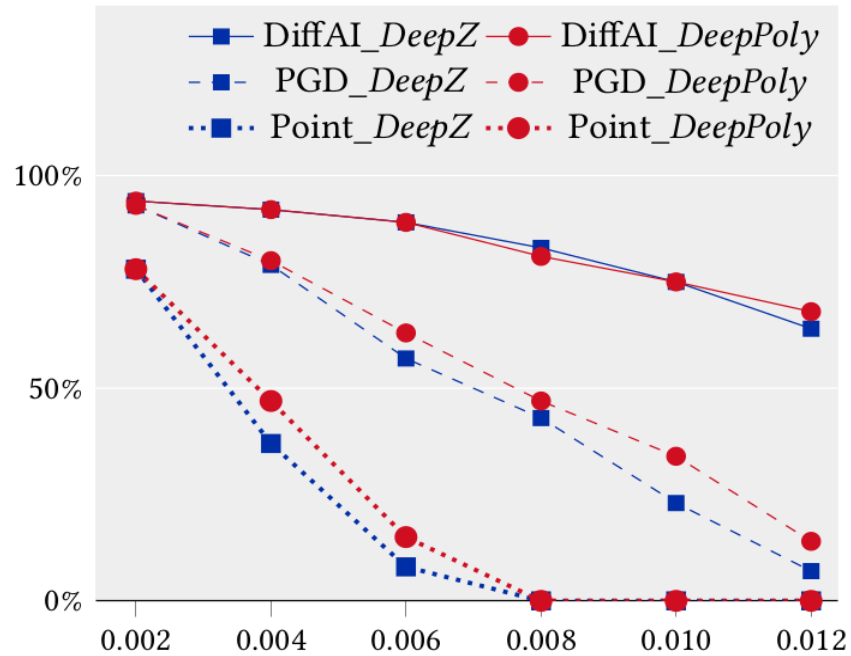
Time (s)



(b) MNIST  $6 \times 500$  ReLU

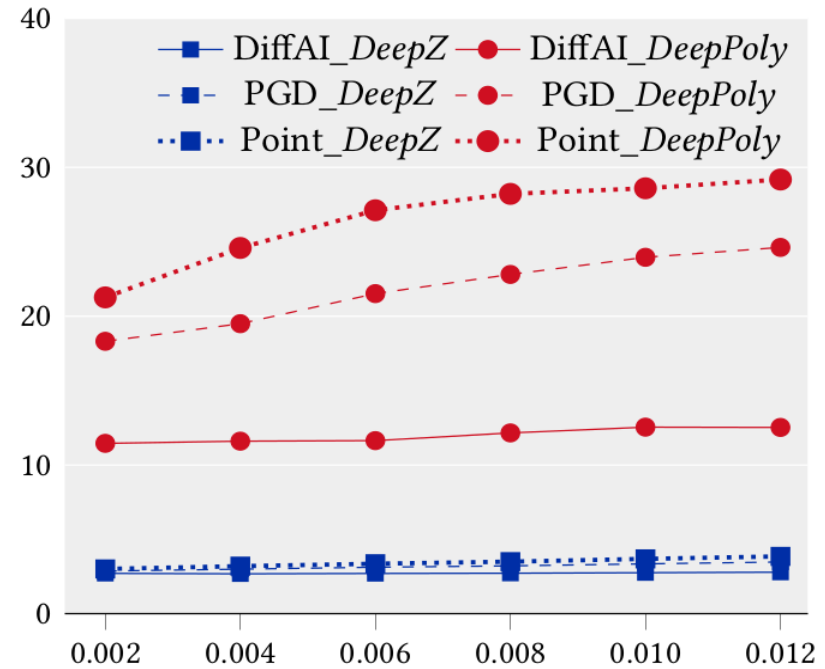
# CIFAR10 CNNs (4,852 hidden units)

Verified robustness



(a) CIFAR10 ConvSmall

Time (s)



(b) CIFAR10 ConvSmall

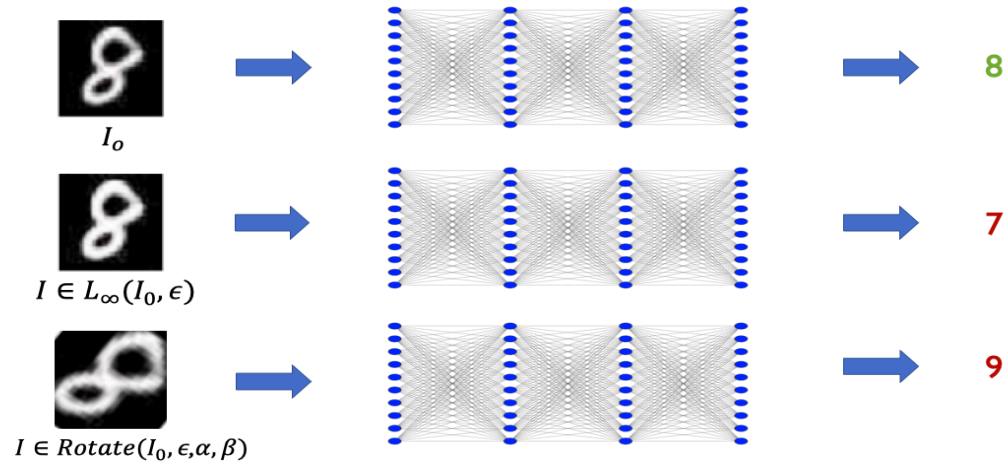
# Large Defended CNNs

trained via DiffAI [ICML'18]

| Dataset | Model          | #hidden units | $\epsilon$   | %verified robustness |           | Average runtime (s) |            |
|---------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|
|         |                |               |              | DeepZ                | DeepPoly  | DeepZ               | DeepPoly   |
| MNIST   | ConvBig        | 34,688        | 0.1          | 97                   | 97        | 5                   | 50         |
|         | ConvBig        | 34,688        | 0.2          | 79                   | 78        | 7                   | 61         |
|         | <b>ConvBig</b> | <b>34,688</b> | <b>0.3</b>   | <b>37</b>            | <b>43</b> | <b>17</b>           | <b>88</b>  |
|         | ConvSuper      | 88,500        | 0.1          | 97                   | 97        | 133                 | 400        |
| CIFAR10 | ConvBig        | 62,464        | 0.006        | 50                   | 52        | 39                  | 322        |
|         | <b>ConvBig</b> | <b>62,464</b> | <b>0.008</b> | <b>33</b>            | <b>40</b> | <b>46</b>           | <b>331</b> |

# Conclusion

## Adversarial input perturbations



A new abstract domain combining floating point Polyhedra with Intervals:

$n$ : #neurons,  $m$ : #constraints

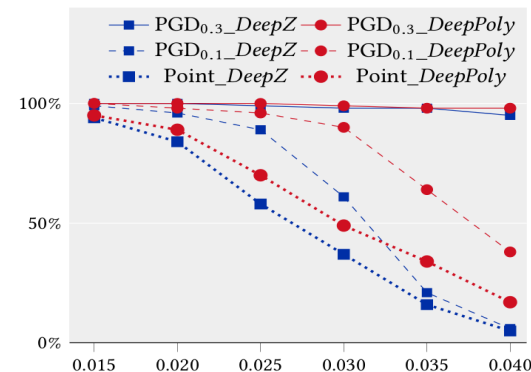
$W_{max}$ : max #neurons in a layer,  $L$ : # layers

| Transformer | Polyhedra       | Our domain       |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Affine      | $O(nm^2)$       | $O(w_{max}^2 L)$ |
| ReLU        | $O(\exp(n, m))$ | $O(1)$           |

## DeepPoly:

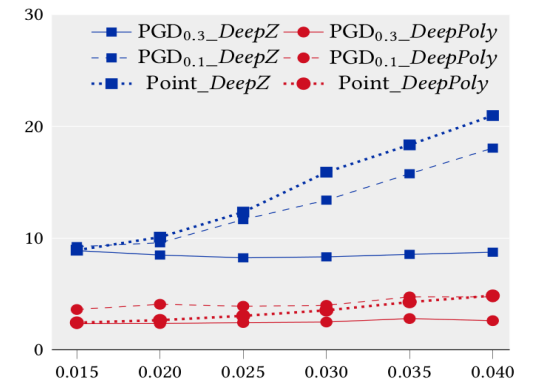
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