OODRobustBench: a benchmark and large-scale analysis of adversarial robustness under distribution shift

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Abstract

Existing works have made great progress in improving adversarial robustness, but typically test their method only on data from the same distribution as the training data, i.e. indistribution (ID) testing. As a result, it is unclear how such robustness generalizes under input distribution shifts, i.e. out-of-distribution (OOD) testing. To address this issue we propose a benchmark named OODRobustBench to comprehensively assess OOD adversarial robustness using 23 dataset-wise shifts (i.e. naturalistic shifts in input distribution) and 6 threat-wise shifts (i.e., unforeseen adversarial threat models). OODRobustBench is used to assess 706 robust models using 60.7K adversarial evaluations. This large-scale analysis shows that: 1) adversarial robustness suffers from a severe OOD generalization issue; 2) ID robustness correlates strongly with OOD robustness in a positive linear way. The latter enables the prediction of OOD robustness from ID robustness. We then predict and verify that existing methods are unlikely to achieve high OOD robustness. Novel methods are therefore required to achieve OOD robustness beyond our prediction. To facilitate the development of these methods, we investigate a wide range of techniques and identify several promising directions.

Keywords: adversarial robustness, OOD generalization, benchmark, distribution shift

1 Introduction

Adversarial attack poses a serious threat to real-world machine learning models, and various approaches have been developed to defend against such attacks. Previous work (Athalye et al., 2018) has shown that adversarial evaluation is critical to the study of adversarial robustness since an unreliable evaluation can often give a false sense of robustness. However, we believe that even state-of-the-art evaluation benchmarks (like RobustBench Croce et al., 2021) suffer from a severe limitation: they only consider ID generalization where test data comes from the same distribution as the training data. Since distribution shifts are inevitable



Figure 1: The construction of OODRobustBench (top) and the correlation between ID and OOD robustness for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} (bottom). Each marker represents a model and is annotated by its training set-up. The solid blue line is the fitted linear correlation. The dashed gray line (y = x) represents perfect generalization where OOD robustness equals ID robustness. Deviation from the dashed line indicates robustness degradation under the respective distribution shift.

in the real world, it is crucial to assess how adversarial robustness is affected when the test distribution differs from the training one.

Although OOD generalization has been extensively studied for clean accuracy (Hendrycks and Dietterich, 2019; Taori et al., 2020; Miller et al., 2021; Baek et al., 2022; Zhao et al., 2022; Yang et al., 2022), there is little known about the OOD generalization of adversarial robustness. To fill this void, this paper presents for the first time, a comprehensive benchmark, **OODRobustBench**, for assessing out-of-distribution adversarial robustness. With OODRobustBench, we analyze the OOD generalization behavior of 706 well-trained robust models (a total of 60.7K adversarial evaluations). This model zoo covers a diversity of architectures, robust training methods, data augmentation techniques and training set-ups to ensure the conclusions drawn from this assessment are general and comprehensive. This large-scale analysis reveals that:

- Adversarial robustness suffers from a severe OOD generalization issue. Robustness degrades on average by 18%/31%/24% under distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} respectively.
- ID and OOD accuracy/robustness have a strong linear correlation under many shifts (visualized in Fig. 1). This enables the prediction of OOD performance from ID performance.

The findings above are rigorously identified by a large-scale, systematic, analysis for the first time. Furthermore, our analysis also offer several novel insights into the OOD generalization behavior of adversarial robustness:

- The higher the ID robustness of the model, the more robustness degrades under distribution shift. This suggests that while great progress has been made on improving ID robustness, we only gain *diminishing returns* under distribution shift.
- An abnormal catastrophic drop in robustness under noise shifts is observed in some methods. For instance, under Gaussian noise shift, HAT (Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli, 2022) suffers from a severe drop of robustness by 46% whereas the average drop is 9%.
- Adversarial training boosts the correlation between ID and OOD performance under corruption shifts, and thus, improves the fidelity of using ID performance for model selection and OOD performance prediction.
- ℓ_p robustness correlates poorly with non- ℓ_p robustness. This implies that improving ℓ_p robustness does not necessarily lead to higher non- ℓ_p robustness. It is also unreliable to predict non- ℓ_p robustness using ℓ_p robustness.

Last, we investigate how to achieve OOD adversarial robustness. First, based on the discovered linear trend, we predict the best available OOD performance for the existing ℓ_p -based robustness methodology and find that **existing methods are unlikely to achieve high OOD adversarial robustness** (e.g. the predicted upper bound of OOD robustness under the dataset shifts is only 43% on ImageNet ℓ_{∞}). Next, we examine a wide range of techniques for achieving OOD adversarial robustness beyond the above prediction. Most of these techniques have limited or no benefit. However, we do identify several adversarial training methods (Dai et al., 2022; Pang et al., 2020; Ding et al., 2020; Bai et al., 2023) that have the potential to exceed the prediction and produce higher OOD adversarial robustness. To ensure safe deployment in the wild, we advocate for the assessment of OOD robustness in future models and for the development of new approaches that can cope with distribution shifts better and achieve OOD robustness beyond our prediction.

Related works are discussed in App. A.

2 OOD Adversarial Robustness Benchmark

2.1 OODRobustBench

OODRobustBench focuses on two types of distribution shifts: dataset shift and threat shift. Dataset shift, OOD_d , denotes the distributional difference between training and test raw datasets. Threat shift, OOD_t , denotes the difference between training and evaluation threat models, a special type of distribution shift. The original test set drawn from the same distribution as the training set is considered ID. The variant dataset with the same classes yet where the distribution of the inputs differs is considered OOD.

Dataset shift. To represent diverse data distribution in the wild, OODRobustBench includes multiple types of dataset shifts from two sources: *natural* and *corruption*. For natural shifts, we adopt four different variant datasets per source dataset: CIFAR10.1 (Recht et al.,



Figure 2: Performance degradation under distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} models.

2018), CIFAR10.2 (Lu et al., 2020), CINIC (Darlow et al., 2018), and CIFAR10-R (Hendrycks et al., 2021a) for CIFAR10, and ImageNet-v2 (Recht et al., 2019), ImageNet-A (Hendrycks et al., 2021b), ImageNet-R (Hendrycks et al., 2021a), and ObjectNet (Barbu et al., 2019) for ImageNet. For corruption shifts, we adopt, from the corruption benchmarks (Hendrycks and Dietterich, 2019), 15 types of common corruption in four categories: Noise (gaussian, impulse, shot), Blur (motion, defocus, glass, zoom), Weather (fog, snow, frost) and Digital (brightness, contrast, elastic, pixelate, JPEG). Each corruption has five levels of severity. Overall, the dataset-shift testbed consists of 79 ($4 + 15 \times 5$) subsets. App. B.1 gives the details of the above datasets and data processing.

Accuracy and robustness are evaluated on the ID and OOD dataset. To compute the overall performance of OOD_d , we first average the result of natural and corruption shifts:

$$R_c(f) = \mathbb{E}_{i \in \{\text{corruptions}\}, j \in \{\text{severity}\}} R_{i,j}(f) \tag{1}$$

$$R_n(f) = \mathbb{E}_{i \in \{\text{naturals}\}} R_i(f) \tag{2}$$

where $R(\cdot)$ returns accuracy or adversarial robustness and f denotes the model to be assessed. Next, we average the above two results to get the overall performance of the dataset shift as

$$R_{ood}(f) = (R_c(f) + R_n(f))/2$$
(3)

Threat shift. OODRobustBench adopts six unforeseen attacks as in Laidlaw et al. (2021); Dai et al. (2022) to simulate threat shifts. They are categorized into two groups, ℓ_p and non- ℓ_p , according to whether they are bounded by the ℓ_p norm or not. The ℓ_p shift group includes MM attacks with the same *p*-norm but larger ϵ and with different *p*-norm. The non- ℓ_p shift group includes the imperceptible, PPGD and LPA, and perceptible, ReColor and StAdv, attacks. The overall robustness under threat shift, OOD_t, is simply the mean of these six unforeseen attacks. These attacks are selected because they cover a wide range of different scenarios of threat shift and each of them is representative of its corresponding category (100+ cites). We are aware of alternative non- ℓ_p attacks (Kaufmann et al., 2023) but do not include them due to the constraint of computational resource.

The configuration of above attacks is described in App. B.2. Criteria for robust models are described in App. C.1 and are the same as RobustBench Croce et al. (2021).

2.2 OOD Performance and Ranking

The results for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , ℓ_2 and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} are in Tabs. 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

Table 1: Performance, evaluated with OODRobustBench, of state-of-the-art models trained on CIFAR10 to be robust to ℓ_{∞} attacks. Top 3 results under each metric are highlighted by **bold** and/or <u>underscore</u>. Severe ranking discrepancies are marked in red. The column "OOD" gives the mean of the robustness to OOD_d and OOD_t . The total number of models is 396.

Method	Accur	acy (%)		Ranking				
nothod	ID	OOD_d	ID	OOD_d	OOD_t	OOD	ID	OOD
Wang et al. (2023) (WRN-70-16)	93.2	76.0	70.7	44.4	35.8	40.1	1	2
Bai et al. (2023)	$\overline{95.2}$	$\overline{79.0}$	$\overline{69.5}$	$\overline{43.3}$	46.7	45.0	2	1
Cui et al. (2023)	92.1	74.8	67.7	42.4	35.4	$\overline{38.9}$	3	4
Wang et al. (2023) (WRN28-10)	92.4	75.0	$\overline{67.3}$	42.3	35.2	38.8	4	5
Rebuffi et al. (2021)	92.2	74.8	66.7	42.6	33.6	38.1	5	9
Gowal et al. (2021b)	88.7	70.6	66.2	$\overline{42.7}$	33.6	38.2	6	8
Gowal et al. (2021a)	91.1	73.2	66.0	42.5	34.0	38.2	7	7
Huang et al. (2023)	91.5	73.8	65.8	41.7	33.3	37.5	8	12
Rebuffi et al. (2021)	88.5	70.6	64.8	41.4	33.9	37.6	9	10
Xu et al. (2022)	93.6	77.2	64.7	39.6	37.0	38.3	10	6
Sehwag et al. (2022)	87.2	69.2	62.7	40.7	$\overline{32.3}$	36.5	17	15
Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli (2022)	88.1	69.4	60.9	35.1	30.2	32.6	22	57
Wu et al. (2020)	88.2	69.8	60.1	38.2	31.3	34.8	26	27
Carmon et al. (2019)	89.6	71.5	59.8	36.7	31.1	33.9	28	38
Wang et al. (2020)	87.5	70.2	56.7	35.5	32.6	34.0	52	35
Pang et al. (2020)	85.1	66.9	53.8	32.4	46.2	39.3	70	3
Zhang et al. (2020)	84.5	65.9	53.6	32.9	31.8	32.4	71	59
Rice et al. (2020)	85.3	66.4	53.5	32.0	27.8	29.9	72	89
Zhang et al. (2019)	84.9	66.5	52.6	31.6	26.5	29.1	76	99
Wong et al. (2020)	83.3	64.9	43.3	25.3	24.8	25.0	111	112

Robustness degrades significantly under distribution shift. For models trained to be robust for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 2), CIFAR10 ℓ_2 (Fig. 7) and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 8), the average drop in robustness (ID adversarial accuracy - OOD adversarial accuracy) is 18%/20%/27% under dataset shift and 18%/42%/22% under threat shift.

The higher the ID robustness of the model, the more robustness degrades under the shifts. For example, the top method in Tab. 1 degrades by 30% of robustness, while the bottom method degrades by only 18%. This suggests that while the great progress has been made on improving ID robustness, we only gain diminishing returns under the distribution shifts.

Robustness degradation under noise shifts can be abnormally catastrophic (the outliers under noise shifts in Fig. 2). This issue is most severe on Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli (2022) whose robustness falls by 43%/46%/38% under impulse/Gaussian/shot noise, whereas the average drop is 12%/9%/8% (discussed in App. E). A similar yet milder drop is also observed on Debenedetti et al. (2023) and models trained with some advanced data augmentations like AutoAugment (Cubuk et al., 2019).

Higher ID robustness generally implies higher OOD robustness but not always (see the last two columns of Tabs. 1, 2 and 3). For example, in Tab. 1, the ranking of Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli (2022) drops from 22 to 57 due to catastrophic degradation, while the ranking of Pang et al. (2020) jumps from 70 to 3 due to its superior robustness under threat shift (analyzed in App. G.3).



Figure 3: R^2 of regression between ID and OOD performance for Standardly-Trained (ST) and Adversarially-Trained (AT) models under various dataset shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} . Higher R^2 implies stronger linear correlation. The results for ST models were copied from Miller et al. (2021). Some results of ST are missing (blank cells) because they were not reported in Miller et al. (2021).

3 Linear Trend and OOD Prediction

It was previously observed that OOD accuracy is strongly correlated with ID accuracy under many dataset shifts for Standardly-Trained (ST) models (Miller et al., 2021). This property is important since it enables the model selection and OOD performance prediction through ID performance. Nevertheless, it is unclear if such correlation still holds for adversarial robustness. This is particularly intriguing because accuracy and robustness usually go in opposite directions: i.e. there is a trade-off between accuracy and robustness (Tsipras et al., 2019). Furthermore, the threat shifts as a scenario of OOD are unique to adversarial evaluation and were, thus, never explored in the previous studies of accuracy trends. Surprisingly, we find that ID and OOD robustness also have a linear correlation under many distribution shifts. It is even more surprising that the correlation for AT models is much stronger than that for ST models.

The following result is based on a large-scale analysis including over 60K OOD evaluations of 706 models. They cover diverse training set-ups. More detail is given in App. C.2.

3.1 Linear Trend under Dataset Shift

This section studies how ID and OOD accuracy/robustness correlate under dataset shifts. We fit a linear regression on four pairs of metrics (Acc-Acc, Rob-Rob, Acc-Rob, and Rob-Acc) for each dataset shift and each training setup (CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and ImageNet ℓ_{∞}). Taking Acc-Rob as an example, a linear model is fitted with ID accuracy as the observed variable \boldsymbol{x} and OOD adversarial robustness as the target variable \boldsymbol{y} . The result for each shift is given in App. H. Below are the major findings.

ID accuracy (resp. robustness) strongly correlates with OOD accuracy (resp. robustness) in a linear relationship for most dataset shifts in Figs. 3, 9 and 10. This suggests for these shifts <u>ID performance is a good indication of OOD performance</u>, and more importantly, <u>OOD performance can be reliably predicted by ID performance using the fitted linear model</u>. Nevertheless, under some shifts like CIFAR10-R and ImageNet-A, ID and OOD performance are only weakly correlated.

AT models exhibit a stronger linear correlation between ID and OOD accuracy under most corruption shifts on CIFAR10 in Figs. 3 and 9. The improvement is dramatic for



Figure 4: R^2 of regression between seen and unforeseen robustness, i.e., threat shift.

particular shifts. For example, R^2 surges from nearly 0 (no linear correlation) for ST models to around 0.8 (evident linear correlation) for AT models with Gaussian and shot noise data shifts. Adversarial training hence improves the faithfulness of using ID performance for model selection and OOD performance prediction.

Last, we observe no evident correlation when ID and OOD metrics misalign, i.e., Acc-Rob and Rob-Acc for CIFAR10, but weak correlation for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} as shown in Fig. 11. This is due to the varied trade-off between accuracy and robustness of different models (discussed in details in App. F.1)

3.2 Linear Trend under Threat Shift

This section studies the relationship between seen and unforeseen robustness. Both seen and unforeseen robustness are computed using only ID data yet with different attacks. Linear regression is then conducted between seen robustness (x) and unforeseen robustness (y). The result of regression for each threat shift is given in App. I. The sensitivity of the regression results to the composition of the model zoo is discussed in App. F.

 ℓ_p robustness correlates poorly with non- ℓ_p robustness. R^2 of the regression between ID ℓ_p robustness and PPGD, LPA and StAdv robustness is low in Fig. 4. In contrast, ℓ_p robustness correlates strongly with ℓ_p robustness of different ϵ and *p*-norm. R^2 of their regression is higher than 0.7 across all assessed set-ups in Fig. 4.

3.3 Unsupervised OOD Robustness Prediction

The linear trends discovered above enable the prediction of OOD performance only if labeled OOD data is available. There is a line of works (Baek et al., 2022; Deng and Zheng, 2021; Garg et al., 2021) showing that OOD accuracy can be predicted with only unlabeled OOD data. We find that OOD adversarial robustness can be predicted, similarly, in an unsupervised manner. The results are described in App. F.2.

4 Incompetence of Existing Methods in OOD Adversarial Robustness

4.1 Predicted Upper Limit of OOD Adversarial Robustness

Based on the precise linear trend observed above for existing robust training methods, we can predict the OOD performance of a model trained by such a method from its ID performance using the fitted linear model. Furthermore, we can extrapolate from current trends to predict the maximum OOD robustness that can be expected from a hypothetical future



Figure 5: The estimated upper limit of OOD robustness, and the slope, of OOD robustness from ID robustness under various distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} .

model that achieves perfect robustness on ID data (assuming the linear trend continues): slope $\times 100$ + intercept. This estimates the best OOD performance one can expect by fully exploiting existing robust training techniques.

We find that continuously improving ID ℓ_p robustness following existing practice is unlikely to achieve high OOD adversarial robustness. The upper limit of OOD robustness under dataset shift, OOD_d, is 66%/71%/43% for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 5), CIFAR10 ℓ_2 (Fig. 13) and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 14) respectively, and under threat shift OOD_t is 52%/35%/52% correspondingly. One of the accounts for this issue is that the existing methods have poor conversion rate to OOD robustness from ID robustness as shown by the slope of the linear trend in Figs. 5, 13 and 14.

4.2 Improving OOD Adversarial Robustness

To inspire the design of methods that have OOD robustness exceeding the above prediction, this section investigates methods that have the potential to be effective for boosting the OOD generalization of robustness. The specific set-ups and results are described in App. G.

In summary, most evaluated techniques, including training with extra data, data augmentation, advanced model architectures, scaling-up models and unsupervised representation learning, achieve relatively limited or even no adversarial effective robustness. This suggests that applying them is unlikely to significantly change the linear trend in Sec. 3 and thus the predicted upper limit of OOD robustness (Sec. 4). In contrast, the methods identified in App. G.3 show the promise in achieving OOD performance beyond our prediction. Another promising direction is to combine OOD generalization methods with adversarial training.

5 Conclusions

This work proposes a new benchmark to assess OOD adversarial robustness, provides many insights into the generalization of existing robust models under distribution shift and identifies several robust interventions beneficial to OOD generalization. We have analyzed the OOD robustness of hundreds of diverse models to ensure that we obtain generally applicable insights. As we focus on general trends, our analysis does not provide a detailed investigation into individual methods or explain the observed outliers such as the catastrophic robustness degradation. However, OODRobustBench provides a tool for performing such more detailed investigations in the future. It also provides a means of measuring progress towards models that are more robust in real-world conditions and will, hopefully, spur the future development of such models.

Impact Statement

This paper presents work whose goal is to advance the field of adversarial machine learning. There are many potential societal consequences of our work, none of which we feel are negative and must be specifically highlighted here.

Reproducibility Statement

The full experiment set-ups are disclosed in this manuscript. The code will be published on Github when the paper is accepted. All used data are publicly available. Some models in our model zoo are publicly available, while the rest will be open-sourced with the code.

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Appendix A. Related Works

Robustness under dataset shift. Early work (Sehwag et al., 2019) studied the generalization of robustness to novel classes that are unseen during training. On the other hand, our setup only considers the input distribution shift and not the unforeseen classes. Recently, Sun et al. (2022b) studied the OOD generalization of certified robustness under corruption shifts for a few state-of-the-art methods. In contrast, we focus on empirical robustness instead of certified robustness. Alhamoud et al. (2023) is the most relevant work. They studied the generalization of robustness from multiple source domains to an unseen domain. Different from them, the models we examine are trained on only one source domain, which is the most common set-up in the existing works of adversarial training (Croce et al., 2021). Moreover, we also cover much more diverse distribution shifts, models and training methods than Sun et al. (2022b) and Alhamoud et al. (2023) so that the conclusion drawn in this work is more general and comprehensive.

Except for a few exceptions (Geirhos et al., 2020; Sun et al., 2022a; Rusak et al., 2020; Ford et al., 2019), previous work on generalization to input distribution shifts has not considered adversarial robustness. Hence, work on robustness to OOD data and adversarial attacks has generally happened in parallel, as exemplified by RobustBench (Croce et al., 2021) which provides independent benchmarks for assessing performance on corrupt data and adversarial threats.

Robustness against unforeseen adversarial threat models. It was observed that naive adversarial training (Madry et al., 2018) with only one single ℓ_p threat model generalizes poorly to unforeseen ℓ_p threat models, e.g., higher perturbation bound (Stutz et al., 2020), different *p*-norm (Tramer and Boneh, 2019; Maini et al., 2020; Croce and Hein, 2022), or non- ℓ_p threat models including color transformation ReColor (Laidlaw and Feizi, 2019), spatial transformation StAdv (Xiao et al., 2018), LPIPS-bounded attacks PPGD and LPA (Laidlaw et al., 2021) and many others (Kaufmann et al., 2023). We complement the existing works by conducting a large-scale analysis on the unforeseen robustness of ℓ_p robust models trained by varied methods and training set-ups. We are thus able to provide new insights into the generalization of robustness to unforeseen threat models and identify effective yet previously unknown approaches to enhance unforeseen robustness.

A line of works (Tramer and Boneh, 2019; Maini et al., 2020) defends against a union of ℓ_p threat models by training with multiple ℓ_p threat models jointly, which makes these threat models no longer unforeseen. PAT (Laidlaw et al., 2021) replaces ℓ_p bound with LPIPS (Zhang et al., 2018) in adversarial training and achieves high robustness against several unforeseen attacks. Alternatively, Dai et al. (2022) proposes variation regularization in addition to ℓ_p adversarial training and improves unforeseen robustness.

A.1 Comparison with Related Works

Is the linear trend of robustness really expected given the linear trend of accuracy?

No. There is a well-known trade-off between accuracy and robustness in the ID setting (Tsipras et al., 2019). We further confirm this fact for the models we evaluate in Fig. 11 in the appendix. This means that accuracy and robustness usually go in opposite directions making the linear trend we discover in both particularly interesting. Furthermore, the threat

shifts as a scenario of OOD are unique to adversarial evaluation and were thus never explored in the previous studies of accuracy trends.

How does the linear trends observed by us differ from the previously discovered ones?

Robust models exhibit a stronger linear correlation between ID and OOD accuracy for most corruption shifts (Fig. 3). Particularly, the boost on linearity is dramatic for shifts including Impulse, Shot and Gaussian noises, Glass blur, Pixelate, and JPEG. For instance, R2 surges from 0 (no linear correlation) for non-robust models to 0.84 (evident linear correlation) for robust models with Gaussian noise data shifts. This suggests that, for robust models, predicting OOD accuracy from ID accuracy is more faithful and applicable to more shifts.

The linear trend of robustness is even stronger than that of accuracy for dataset shifts (Fig. 3) but with a lower slope (Sec. 4). The latter leads to a predicted upper limit of OOD robustness that is way lower than that of OOD accuracy suggesting that the OOD generalization of robustness is much more challenging.

How does our analysis differ from the similar analysis in the prior works?

The scale of these previous works is rather small. For instance, RobustBench observes linear correlation only for three shifts on CIFAR-10 based on 39 models with either ResNet or WideResNet architectures. In such a narrow setting, it is actually neither surprising to see a linear trend nor reliable for predicting OOD performance. By contrast, our conclusion is derived from much more shifts on CIFAR-10 and ImageNet based on 706 models. Importantly, our model zoo covers a diverse set of architectures, robust training methods, data augmentation techniques, and training set-ups. This makes our conclusion more generalizable and the observed (almost perfect) linear trend much more significant.

Similarly, the existing works only test a few models under threat shifts. Those methods are usually just the baseline AT method plus different architectures or the relevant defenses, e.g., jointly trained with multiple threats. It is unclear how the state-of-the-art robust models perform under threat shifts. By conducting a large-scale analysis, we find that those SOTA models generalize poorly to other threats while also discovering several methods that have relatively inferior ID performance but superior OOD robustness under threat shift. Our analysis therefore facilitates future works in this direction by identifying what techniques are ineffective and what are promising.

How does you benchmark differ from RobustBench?

Our benchmark focuses on OOD adversarial robustness while RobustBench focuses on ID adversarial robustness. Specifically, our benchmark contrasts RobustBench in the datasets and the attacks. We use CIFAR-10.1, CIFAR-10.2, CINIC, and CIFAR-10-R (ImageNet-V2, ImagetNet-A, ImageNet-R, ObjectNet) to simulate input data distribution shift for the source datasets CIFAR-10 (ImageNet), while RobustBench only uses the latter source datasets. We use PPGD, LPA, ReColor, StAdv, Linf-12/255, L2-0.5 (PPGD, LPA, ReColor, StAdv, Linf-8/255, L2-1) to simulate threat shift for the training threats Linf-8/255 (L2-0.5), while RobustBench only evaluates the same threats as the training ones.

Appendix B. Benchmark Set-up

B.1 Datasets

This section introduces the OOD datasets of natural shifts. For ImageNet, we have:

- **ImageNet-V2** is a reproduction of ImageNet using a completely new set of images. It has the same 1000 classes as ImageNet and each class has 10 images so 10K images in total.
- **ImageNet-A** is an adversarially-selected reproduction of ImageNet. The images in this dataset were selected to be those most misclassified by an ensemble of ResNet-50s. It has 200 ImageNet classes and 7.5K images.
- ImageNet-R contains various artistic renditions of objects from ImageNet, so there is a domain shift. It has 30K images and 200 ImageNet classes.
- **ObjectNet** is a large real-world dataset for object recognition. It is constructed with controls to randomize background, object rotation and viewpoint. It has 313 classes but only 104 classes compatible with ImageNet classes so we only use this subset. The selected subset includes 17.2K images.

For CIFAR10, we have:

- **CIFAR10.1** is a reproduction of CIFAR10 using a completely new set of images. It has 2K images sampled from the same source as CIFAR10, i.e., 80M TinyImages (Torralba et al., 2008). It has the same number of classes as CIFAR10.
- CIFAR10.2 is another reproduction of CIFAR10. It has 12K (10k for training and 2k for test) images sampled from the same source as CIFAR10, i.e., 80M TinyImages. It has the same number of classes as CIFAR10. We only use the test set of CIFAR10.2.
- **CINIC** is a downscaled subset of ImageNet with the same image resolution and classes as CIFAR10. Its test set has 90K images in total, of which 20K images are from CIFAR10 and 70K images are from ImageNet. We use only the ImageNet part.
- CIFAR10-R is a new dataset created by us. The images in CIFAR10-R and CIFAR10 have different styles so there is a domain shift. We follow the same procedure as CINIC to downscale the images from ImageNet-R to the same resolution as CIFAR10 and select images from the classes of ImageNet corresponding to CIFAR10 classes. We follow the same class mapping between ImageNet and CIFAR10 as CINIC. Note that ImageNet-R does not have images of the ImageNet classes corresponding to CIFAR10 classes of "airplane" and "horse", so there are only 8 classes in CIFAR10-R.

In practice, we evaluate models using a random sample of 5K images from each of the ImageNet variant datasets, and 10K images from each of the CIFAR10 variant datasets, if those datasets contain more images than that number. This is done to accelerate the evaluation and follows the practice used in RobustBench (Croce et al., 2021).



Figure 6: Comparison of MM5 adversarial accuracy against AutoAttack adversarial accuracy. Each data point represents a model.

B.2 Adversarial Evaluation

To evaluate a model, OODRobustBench performs 80 (79 for OOD_d and 1 for ID) runs of adversarial evaluation for seen robustness evaluation. This makes computationally expensive attacks like AutoAttack (Croce and Hein, 2020) impractical to use. To balance efficiency and effectiveness, we use MM5 (Gao et al., 2022) to evaluate robustness since it is about $32 \times$ faster than AutoAttack while achieving similar results (verified below). The perturbation bound ϵ is 8/255 for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , 0.5 for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and 4/255 for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

To verify the effectiveness of MM5, we compare its result with the result of AutoAttack on the ID dataset across all publicly available models from RobustBench for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} . As shown in Fig. 6, almost all models¹ are approximately on the line of y = x (gray dashed line) suggesting that their MM5 adversarial accuracy is very close to AA adversarial accuracy. Specifically, the mean gap between MM5 and AA adversarial accuracy is 0.16 and the standard deviation is 0.32.

We follow the same setting as Laidlaw et al. (2021); Dai et al. (2022) to configure the unforeseen attacks since this has been well tested to be effective. The ℓ_p attacks use $\epsilon = 12/255$ and $\epsilon = 0.5$ for ℓ_{∞} and ℓ_2 threats on CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , $\epsilon = 8/255$ and $\epsilon = 1$ for ℓ_{∞} and ℓ_2 threats on CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and on ImageNet ℓ_{∞} . The perturbation bound is 0.5 for PPGD, 0.5 for LPA, 0.05 for StAdv and 0.06 for ReColor. The number of iterations is 40 for PPGD and LPA regardless of dataset, is 100 for StAdv and ReColor on CIFAR10 and 200 on ImageNet.

^{1.} Two models, Ding et al. (2020) and Xu et al. (2022), are observed to have a slightly higher adversarial accuracy compared to the corresponding AutoAttack results. We use MM+ (Gao et al., 2022) attack to evaluate these two models for a more reliable evaluation and the result of MM+ is close to AutoAttack.

Appendix C. Model Zoo

C.1 Criteria for Robust Models

We follow the same criteria as the popular benchmarks (RobustBench (Croce et al., 2021), MultiRobustBench (Dai et al., 2023), etc), which only include robust models that (1) have in general non-zero gradients w.r.t. the inputs, (2) have a fully deterministic forward pass (i.e. no randomness) and (3) do not have an optimization loop. These criteria include most AT models, while excluding most preprocessing methods because they rely on randomness like Guo et al. (2018) or inner optimization loop like Samangouei et al. (2018) which leads to false security, i.e., high robustness to the non-adaptive attack but vulnerable to the adaptive attack.

Meanwhile, we acknowledge that evaluating dynamic preprocessing-based defenses is still an active area of research. It is tricky (Croce et al., 2022), and there has not been a consensus on how to evaluate them. So now, we exclude them for a more reliable evaluation. We will keep maintaining this benchmark, and we would be happy to include them in the future if the community has reached a consensus on that (e.g., if these models are merged into RobustBench).

C.2 Model Zoo

Our model zoo consists of 706 models, of which:

- 396 models are trained on CIFAR10 by $\ell_{\infty} 8/255$
- 239 models are trained on CIFAR10 by $\ell_2 0.5$
- 56 models are trained on ImageNet by $\ell_{\infty} 4/255$
- 10 models are trained on CIFAR10 for non- ℓ_p adversarial robustness
- 5 models are trained on CIFAR10 for common corruption robustness

Among the above models, 66 models of CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , 19 models of CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and 18 models of ImageNet ℓ_{∞} are retrieved from RobustBench. 84 models are retrieved from the published works including Li et al. (2023); Li and Spratling (2023c,b,a); Liu et al. (2023); Singh et al. (2023); Dai et al. (2022); Hsiung et al. (2023); Mao et al. (2022). The remaining models are trained by ourselves.

We locally train additional models with varying architectures and training parameters to complement the public models from RobustBench on CIFAR-10. We consider 20 model architectures: DenseNet-121 (Huang et al., 2017), GoogLeNet (Szegedy et al., 2015), Inception-V3 (Szegedy et al., 2016), VGG-11/13/16/19 (Simonyan and Zisserman, 2015), ResNet-34/50/101/152 (He et al., 2016), EfficientNet-B0 (Tan and Le, 2019), MobileNet-V2 (Sandler et al., 2018), DLA (Yu et al., 2018), ResNeXt-29 (2x64d/4x64d/32x4d/8x64d) (Xie et al., 2017), SeNet-18 (Hu et al., 2018), and ConvMixer (Trockman and Kolter, 2023). For each architecture, we vary the training procedure to obtain 15 models across four adversarial training methods: PGD (Madry et al., 2018), TRADES (Zhang et al., 2019), PGD-SCORE, and TRADES-SCORE (Pang et al., 2022).

We train all models under both ℓ_{∞} and ℓ_2 threat models with the following steps:



Figure 7: Degradation of accuracy and robustness under various distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 .

- 1. We use PGD adversarial training to train eight models with batch size $\in \{128, 512\}$, a learning rate $\in \{0.1, 0.05\}$, and weight decay $\in \{10^{-4}, 10^{-5}\}$. We also save the overall best hyperparameter choice. For the ℓ_2 threat model, we fix the learning rate to 0.1 since we observe that with ℓ_{∞} , 0.1 is strictly better than 0.05.
- 2. Using the best hyperparameter choice, we train one model with PGD-SCORE, three with TRADES, and three with TRADES-SCORE. For TRADES and TRADES-SCORE, we take their β parameter from 0.1, 0.3, 1.0.

After training, we observe that some locally trained models exhibit inferior accuracy and/or robustness that is abnormally lower than others. The influence of inferior models on the correlation analysis is discussed in App. F. Finally, we filter out all models with an overall performance (accuracy + robustness) below 110. This threshold is determined to exclude only those evidently inferior models so that the size of model zoo (557 after filtering) is still large enough to ensure the generality and comprehensiveness of the conclusions drawn on it.

Appendix D. Additional Result

D.1 Benchmark

- Tab. 2: benchmark result of state-of-the-art methods for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 .
- Tab. 3: benchmark result of state-of-the-art methods for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

D.2 Performance Degradation Distribution

- Fig. 7: performance degradation distribution for CIFAR10 ℓ_2
- Fig. 8: performance degradation distribution for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

Table 2: Performance, evaluated with OODRobustBench, of state-of-the-art models trained on CIFAR10 to be robust to ℓ_2 attacks. Top 3 results under each metric are highlighted by **bold** and/or <u>underscore</u>. The column "OOD" gives the overall OOD robustness which is the mean of the robustness to OOD_d and OOD_t.

Method	Accu	ıracy	Robustness					Ranking (Rob.)		
Memou	ID	OOD_d	ID	OOD_d	OOD_t	OOD	ID	OOD		
Wang et al. (2023) (WRN-70-16)	95.54	80.04	84.97	60.83	36.65	48.74	1	1		
Wang et al. (2023) (WRN-28-10)	95.16	79.28	83.69	$\overline{59.39}$	$\overline{35.04}$	47.21	2	2		
Rebuffi et al. (2021) (WRN-70-16-cutmix-extra)	$\overline{95.74}$	$\overline{79.90}$	82.36	57.94	31.71	44.82	3	4		
Gowal et al. (2021a) (extra)	94.74	78.78	80.56	$\overline{56.18}$	30.48	43.33	4	6		
Rebuffi et al. (2021) (WRN-70-16-cutmix-ddpm)	92.41	75.95	80.42	56.82	34.58	45.70	5	3		
Augustin et al. (2020) (WRN-34-10-extra)	93.97	77.40	78.81	54.71	$\overline{31.62}$	$\overline{43.16}$	6	7		
Rebuffi et al. (2021) (WRN-28-10-cutmix-ddpm)	91.79	75.26	78.79	55.63	33.32	44.48	7	5		
Sehwag et al. (2022)	90.93	74.00	77.29	54.33	29.44	41.88	8	8		
Augustin et al. (2020) (WRN-34-10)	92.23	76.43	76.27	52.83	29.25	41.04	9	11		
Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli (2022)	90.57	73.55	76.14	53.35	29.69	41.52	10	9		
Rebuffi et al. (2021) (R18-cutmix-ddpm)	90.33	72.96	75.87	52.21	30.06	41.14	11	10		
Gowal et al. (2021a)	90.89	74.71	74.51	52.20	25.76	38.98	12	15		
Sehwag et al. (2022) (R18)	89.76	72.31	74.42	51.76	26.68	39.22	13	13		
Wu et al. (2020)	88.51	71.23	73.66	51.53	27.50	39.52	14	12		
Augustin et al. (2020)	91.07	74.24	72.99	49.32	28.72	39.02	15	14		
Engstrom et al. (2019)	90.83	73.85	69.25	46.65	17.71	32.18	16	16		
Rice et al. (2020)	88.67	71.27	67.69	44.76	18.58	31.67	17	17		
Rony et al. (2019)	89.04	71.77	66.46	44.54	18.31	31.42	18	18		
Ding et al. (2020)	88.00	72.32	66.09	43.79	16.52	30.15	19	20		



Figure 8: Degradation of accuracy and robustness under various distribution shifts for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

D.3 Correlation Between ID and OOD Performance under Dataset Shifts

- Fig. 9: R^2 of regressions for Acc-Acc and Rob-Rob for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 .
- Fig. 10: R^2 of regressions for Acc-Acc and Rob-Rob for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .
- Fig. 11: R^2 of regressions for Acc-Rob and Rob-Acc for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} , CIFAR10 ℓ_2 and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

Table 3: Performance, evaluated with OODRobustBench, of state-of-the-art models trained on ImageNet to be robust to ℓ_{∞} attacks. Top 3 results under each metric are highlighted by **bold** and/or <u>underscore</u>. The column "OOD" gives the overall OOD robustness which is the mean of the robustness to OOD_d and OOD_t.

Method	Accu	iracy		Robus	stness		Ranl	xing (Rob.)
nonod	ID	OOD_d	ID	OOD_d	OOD_t	OOD	ID	OOD
Liu et al. (2023) (Swin-L)	78.92	45.84	59.82	23.59	29.88	26.74	1	1
Liu et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-L)	$\overline{78.02}$	44.74	58.76	23.35	30.10	$\overline{26.72}$	2	2
Singh et al. (2023)(ConvNeXt-L-ConvStem)	77.00	44.05	57.82	23.09	27.98	25.53	3	3
Liu et al. (2023) (Swin-B)	76.16	42.58	56.26	$\overline{21.45}$	27.02	$\overline{24.24}$	4	7
Singh et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-B-ConvStem)	75.88	42.29	56.24	21.77	27.89	24.83	5	5
Liu et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-B)	76.70	43.06	56.02	21.74	26.97	24.36	6	6
Singh et al. (2023) (ViT-B-ConvStem)	76.30	44.67	54.90	21.76	28.98	25.37	7	4
Singh et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-S-ConvStem)	74.08	39.55	52.66	19.35	26.87	23.11	8	9
Singh et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-B)	75.08	40.68	52.44	20.09	26.06	23.07	9	10
Liu et al. (2023) (Swin-S)	75.20	40.84	52.10	19.67	24.73	22.20	10	12
Liu et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-S)	75.64	40.91	51.66	19.40	25.00	22.20	11	11
Singh et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-T-ConvStem)	72.70	38.15	49.46	17.97	25.32	21.65	12	14
Singh et al. (2023) (ViT-S-ConvStem)	72.58	39.24	48.46	17.83	25.43	21.63	13	15
Singh et al. (2023) (ViT-B)	72.98	42.38	48.34	20.43	26.26	23.34	14	8
Debenedetti et al. (2023) (XCiT-L12)	73.78	38.10	47.88	15.84	23.22	19.53	15	18
Singh et al. (2023) (ViT-M)	71.78	39.88	47.34	18.95	25.25	22.10	16	13
Singh et al. (2023) (ConvNeXt-T)	71.88	37.70	46.98	17.13	21.36	19.25	17	19
Mao et al. (2022) (Swin-B)	74.14	38.45	46.54	15.36	22.19	18.78	18	20
Liu et al. (2023)(ViT-B)	72.84	39.88	45.90	18.01	22.95	20.48	19	16
Debenedetti et al. (2023) (XCiT-M12)	74.04	37.00	45.76	14.73	22.82	18.77	20	21



Figure 9: R^2 of regression between ID and OOD performance for Standardly-Trained (ST) and Adversarially-Trained (AT) models under various dataset shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 . Higher R^2 implies stronger linear correlation. The result of ST models is copied from Miller et al. (2021).



Figure 10: R^2 of regression between ID and OOD performance for Standardly-Trained (ST) and Adversarially-Trained (AT) models under various dataset shifts for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} . Higher R^2 implies stronger linear correlation. The result of ST models is copied from Miller et al. (2021).



Figure 11: R^2 of regression between ID and OOD performance for Adversarially-Trained (AT) models under various dataset shifts. "Acc-Rob" denotes the linear model between ID accuracy (x) and OOD robustness (y) and "Rob-Acc" for ID robustness (x) and OOD accuracy (y).



Figure 12: The estimated upper limit of OOD accuracy and the conversion rate, a.k.a. slope, to OOD accuracy from ID accuracy under various distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} .

D.4 Predicted Upper Limit of OOD Accuracy and Robustness

- Fig. 12: the estimated upper limit of OOD accuracy and the conversion rate for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} .
- Fig. 13: the estimated upper limit of OOD performance and the conversion rate for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 .
- Fig. 14: the estimated upper limit of OOD performance and the conversion rate for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

Appendix E. Catastrophic degradation of robustness

We observe this issue on only one implementation, using WideResNet28-10 with extra synthetic data (model id: $Rade2021Helper_ddpm$ on RobustBench), from Rade and Moosavi-Dezfooli (2022) for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} . There are three other implementations of this method on RobustBench. None of them, including the one using ResNet18 with extra synthetic data, is observed to suffer from this issue. It seems that catastrophic degradation in this case is specific to the implementation or training dynamics.

On the other hand, catastrophic degradation consistently happens on the models trained with AutoAugment or IDBH but not other tested data augmentations. It suggests the possibility that a certain image transformation operation exclusively used by AutoAugment and IDBH cause this issue. Besides, catastrophic degradation also consistently happens on the models trained using the receipt of Debenedetti et al. (2023) under Gaussian and shot noise shifts. However, it employs a wide range of training techniques, so further experiments are required to identify the specific cause.



Figure 13: The estimated upper limit of OOD performance and the conversion rate, a.k.a. slope, to OOD performance from ID performance under various distribution shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 .



Figure 14: The estimated upper limit of OOD performance and the conversion rate, a.k.a. slope, to OOD performance from ID performance under various distribution shifts for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} .

Appendix F. How Inferior Models Affect the Correlation Analysis

This section studies the influence of the construction of model zoo on the result of correlation. We use the overall performance (accuracy + robustness) to filter out inferior models. As we increasing the threshold of overall performance for filtering, the average overall performance of the model zoo increases, the number of included models decreases and the weight of the models from other published sources on the regression grows up. Our locally trained models are normally inferior to the public models regarding the performance since the latter employs better optimized and more effective training methods and settings. The training methods and settings of public models are also much more diverse.

The correlation for particular shifts varies considerably as more inferior models removed. R^2 declines considerably under CIFAR10-R, noise, fog, glass blur, frost and contrast for both Acc-Acc and Rob-Rob on CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 15) and ℓ_2 (Fig. 16). A similar trend is also observed for threat shifts, ReColor and different *p*-norm for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} as shown in Fig. 17. It suggests that the weak correlation under these shifts mainly results from those high-performance public models, and is likely related to the fact that these models include much diverse training methods and settings. For example, all observed catastrophic degradation under the noise shifts occur in the public models. Note that the locally trained models have a large diversity in model architectures particularly within the family of CNNs, but it seems that this architectural diversity does not effect the correlation as much as other factors.

In contrast, correlation is improved for most threat shifts for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 as shown in Fig. 17. As shown in Fig. 30, the locally trained (inferior) models and the public (high-performance) models have divergent linear trends (most evident in the plot of PPGD). That's why removing models from either group will enhance the correlation. Note that such divergence is not evident in the figures of CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 29) and ImageNet ℓ_{∞} (Fig. 31).

F.1 No Evident Correlation when ID and OOD Metrics Misalign

Inferior models also cause OOD robustness to not consistently increase with the ID accuracy, i.e., the poor correlation between ID accuracy (robustness) and OOD robustness (accuracy) because they have high accuracy yet poor robustness. These models are mainly produced by some of our custom training receipts and take a considerable proportion of our CIFAR-10 model zoo, whereas the model zoo of ImageNet is dominated by ones from public sources.

F.2 Unsupervised OOD Robustness Prediction

We study here if OOD adversarial robustness can be predicted, similarly, in an unsupervised manner². We run the experiments with CIFAR-10 ℓ_{∞} models for CIFAR-10.1 and Impulse noise shifts (Fig. 18) and find that a linear trend is also observed in the agreement between the predictions of any pair of two robust models: R^2 is 0.99 for CIFAR-10.1 shift and 0.95 for Impulse noise shift. This suggests that the unsupervised method (Baek et al., 2022) is also effective in predicting OOD adversarial robustness.

^{2.} We ignore here the label requirement for adversarial attacks and assume that adversarial examples are already generated.



(b) \mathbb{R}^2 of Rob-Rob

Figure 15: How R^2 under various dataset shifts changes as the models with lower overall performance are removed from regression for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} . Each row, with the filtering threshold labeled at the lead, corresponds to a new filtered model zoo and the regression conducted it. "NC" refers to No Custom models, so all models are retrieved from either RobustBench or other published works.

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≥ 110	97	.97	.98	.97	.96	.86	.94	.67	.76	.85	.80	.91	.67	.86	.94	.88	.95	.98	.79	.97	.98	.96-	0.8
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≥ 130	97	.97	.97	.96	.96	.81	.93	.51	.72	.83	.76	.88	.73	.82	.93	.88	.94	.96	.75	.98	.99	.93-	
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Figure 16: How R^2 under various dataset shifts changes as the models with lower overall performance are removed from regression for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 . Each row, with the filtering threshold labeled at the lead, corresponds to a new filtered model zoo and the regression conducted it. "NC" refers to No Custom models, so all models are retrieved from either RobustBench or other published works.



(a) R^2 of ID seen vs. ID unforeseen robustness (b) R^2 ID seen vs. ID unforeseen robustness for CIFAR10 ℓ_∞ for CIFAR10 ℓ_2

Figure 17: How R^2 under various threat shifts changes as the models with lower overall performance are removed from regression. Each row, with the filtering threshold labeled at the lead, corresponds to a new filtered model zoo and the regression conducted it. "NC" refers to No Custom models, so all models are retrieved from either RobustBench or other published works.



Figure 18: Correlation between ID and OOD prediction agreement on adversarial examples for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} AT models. Each data point represents the prediction agreement of a pair of two models.

Dataset	Threat	Training	Model	Extra	Extra ID			00	OOD_t			
25 40 40 50 0	Model	1100000	Architecture	Data	Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	EAcc.	ERob.	Rob.	ERob.
		Gowal		-	85.29	57.24	66.98	35.90	-0.56	0.30	29.39	-2.18
CIFAR10	Linf	et al.	WideResNet70-16	Synthetic	88.74	66.24	70.68	42.76	-0.08	0.74	33.65	-2.13
		(2021a)		Real	91.10	66.03	73.24	42.58	0.26	0.71	34.00	-1.67

Table 4: The effect of training with extra data on the OOD generalization of accuracy and robustness.

Appendix G. Effective Robust Intervention

The effectiveness is quantified by two metrics: OOD performance and effective performance. Effective performance measures the extra resilience of a model under distribution shift when compared to a group of models by adapting the metric of "Effective Robustness" Taori et al. (2020):

$$R'(f) = R_{ood}(f) - \beta(R_{id}(f)) \tag{4}$$

where $\beta(\cdot)$ is a linear mapping from ID to OOD metric fitted on a group of models. We name this metric effective robustness (adversarial effective robustness) when R_{id} and R_{ood} are accuracy (robustness). A positive adversarial effective robustness means that f achieves adversarial robustness above what the linear trend predicts based on its ID performance, i.e., f is advantageous over the fitted models on OOD generalization. Note that higher adversarial effective robustness is not equivalent to higher OOD robustness since the model may have a lower ID robustness.

All models used in this analysis are retrieved from RobustBench or other published works to ensure they are well-trained by the techniques to be examined. For each robust intervention, some general training setting, the reference to the source of models and the detailed performance are summarized in the following tables:

- Tab. 4: training with extra data.
- Tab. 5: training with advanced data augmentation.
- Tab. 6: training with advanced model architectures.
- Tab. 7: scaling models up.
- Tab. 8: training techniques of VR, HE, MMA and AS.

The specific experiment setting for each model can be found in its original paper.

G.1 Data

Training with extra data boosts both robustness and adversarial effective robustness compared to training schemes without extra data (see Fig. 19a). There is no clear advantage to training with extra real data (Carmon et al., 2019) rather than synthetic data (Gowal et al., 2021b) except for the adversarial effective robustness under threat shift which is improved more by real data.

Table 5: The effect of data augmentation on the OOD generalization of accuracy and robustness. The results reported in Fig. 19b are the mean of the results on ViT and WideResNets.

Dataset	Threat	Training	Model	Data	Π	D		OOD_d			00	DD_t
Dataset	Model	Training	Architecture	Augmentation	Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	EAcc.	ERob.	Rob.	ERob.
				RandomCrop	83.23	47.02	66.48	28.85	0.86	0.54	27.36	0.57
				Cutout	84.22	49.57	67.23	30.68	0.69	0.56	29.74	1.75
			V:T D	CutMix	80.92	47.45	63.93	29.89	0.48	1.27	30.48	3.49
			V11-В	TrivialAugment	80.33	46.61	64.59	$\overline{29.56}$	1.69	1.54	$\overline{30.40}$	3.80
		T: and		AutoAugment	82.75	48.11	65.89	29.78	0.73	0.69	30.90	3.60
CIFAR10	Linf	Spratling		IDBH	$\underline{86.92}$	51.55	70.51	$\underline{32.08}$	1.45	0.54	30.59	1.68
		(2023c)		RandomCrop	86.52	52.42	68.11	31.55	-0.58	-0.61	26.47	-2.84
		. ,		Cutout	86.77	53.31	68.40	31.03	-0.53	-1.76	27.00	-2.74
			WidePeeNet24 10	CutMix	87.41	53.89	68.97	31.71	-0.55	-1.50	28.50	-1.50
			widenesivet34-10	TrivialAugment	86.98	54.18	69.85	32.94	0.73	-0.47	28.62	-1.52
				AutoAugment	87.93	55.10	70.05	32.17	0.04	-1.90	29.06	-1.51
				IDBH	$\underline{88.62}$	$\underline{55.56}$	$\underline{70.96}$	32.99	0.30	-1.41	28.58	-2.21

Table 6: The effect of model architecture on the OOD generalization of accuracy and robustness.

Dataset	Threat	Training	Model	Model	Ι	D	OOD_d				OC	DD_t
Databot	Model		Architecture	Size (M)	Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	EAcc.	ERob.	Rob.	ERob.
ImageNet	ℓ_{∞}	Liu et al. (2023)	ResNet152 ConvNeXt-B ViT-B Swin-B	60.19 88.59 86.57 87.77	$70.92 \\ 76.70 \\ 72.84 \\ 76.16$	43.62 56.02 45.90 56.26	34.43 43.06 39.88 42.58	$ \begin{array}{r} 14.13 \\ \underline{21.74} \\ 18.01 \\ 21.45 \end{array} $	$-1.71 \\ 1.03 \\ \frac{1.78}{1.10}$	-1.26 0.33 $\frac{1.51}{-0.07}$	17.23 26.97 22.95 27.02	-3.47 -0.63 0.98 -0.72

Table 7: The effect of model size on the OOD generalization of accuracy and robustness. The results reported in Fig. 19d are averaged over three architectures at the corresponding relatively model size. For example, the result of "small" is averaged over WideResNet28-10, ResNet50 and ConvNeXt-S-ConvStem.

Dataset	Threat	Training	Model	Model	ID			00		OC	D_t	
Databot	Model	1100000	Architecture	Size	Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	EAcc.	ERob.	Rob.	ERob.
		Rebuffi	WideResNet28-10	36.48	87.33	60.88	69.35	38.54	-0.10	0.35	33.63	0.36
CIFAR10	ℓ_{∞}	et al.	WideResNet70-16	266.80	88.54	64.33	70.62	41.01	0.04	0.35	34.12	-0.76
		(2021)	WideResNet106-16	$\underline{415.48}$	88.50	$\underline{64.82}$	70.65	41.43	0.11	$\overline{0.42}$	33.90	-1.22
		Lin et el	ResNet50	25.56	65.02	32.02	28.43	9.23	-1.68	-0.53	13.71	-0.52
ImageNet	ℓ_{∞}	(2002)	ResNet101	44.55	68.34	39.76	31.74	12.44	-1.76	-1.08	16.82	-1.72
-		(2023)	ResNet152	60.19	70.92	$\underline{43.62}$	34.43	14.13	-1.71	-1.26	17.23	-3.47
		Singh	ConvNeXt-S-ConvStem	50.26	74.08	52.66	39.55	19.35	0.19	-0.42	26.87	1.14
ImageNet	ℓ_{∞}	et al.	${\rm ConvNeXt}\text{-}{\rm B}\text{-}{\rm ConvStem}$	88.75	75.88	56.24	42.29	21.77	1.10	0.26	27.89	0.16
-		(2023)	${\rm ConvNeXt}\text{-}{\rm L}\text{-}{\rm ConvStem}$	198.13	77.00	57.82	44.05	$\underline{23.09}$	1.71	0.80	$\underline{27.98}$	-0.63

Dataset Thre		Training	I	D		00		OC	D_t	
2 400000	11110000		Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	EAcc.	ERob.	Rob.	ERob.
		PGD (Li and Spratling, 2023c) VR- ℓ_{∞} (Dai et al., 2022)	$\frac{\textbf{86.52}}{72.72}$	$\frac{\textbf{52.42}}{49.92}$	$\frac{\textbf{68.11}}{56.12}$	31.55 31.84	$-0.58 \\ 0.34$	-0.61 <u>1.47</u>	26.47 34.70	-2.84 6.55
CIFAR10	ℓ_{∞}	PGD (Rice et al., 2020) HE (Pang et al., 2020)	$\frac{\textbf{85.34}}{85.14}$	53.52 53.84	66.46 66.96	32.07 32.45	-1.12 -0.43	-0.88 -0.72	27.89 46.20	-1.94 16.22
		PGD (locally-trained) MMA (Ding et al., 2020)	80.44 84.37	38.98 41.86	62.40 68.22	22.18 24.65	-0.60 1.54	-0.39 0.02	21.77 35.12	-1.27 10.7 4
		PGD Gowal et al. (2021a) AS Bai et al. (2023)	91.10 95.23	66.03 69.50	73.24 79.09	42.58 43.32	0.26 2.25	0.71 -1.03	34.00 46.71	-1.67 9.41

 Table 8: The effect of different adversarial training methods on the OOD generalization of accuracy and robustness.



Figure 19: The robustness (Rob.) and AER of various robust techniques.

Table 9:	The performance of OOD generalization methods and adversarial self-supervised
	learning under distribution shift on CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} . The architecture is ResNet18
	except that CARD-Deck using a WideResNet-18-2. The AER of PLAT and CARD-
	Deck is invalid ("-") because of their (nearly) 0 ID/ODD robustness.

Method	Π	D		00	OOD_t			
Method	Acc.	Rob.	Acc.	Rob.	ERob.	AER	Rob.	AER
PGD	81.13	48.72	62.38	30.20	-1.27	0.68	27.95	0.36
PLAT	94.75	0.16	80.39	0.06	4.00	-	0.00	-
CARD-Deck	96.56	1.00	83.54	0.50	5.46	-	0.00	-
ACL	82.31	49.38	64.19	30.11	-0.56	0.12	28.53	0.64

Advanced data augmentation improves robustness under both types of shifts and adversarial effective robustness under threat shift over the baseline augmentation Random-Crop (see Fig. 19b). Nevertheless, advanced data augmentation methods other than TA (Müller and Hutter, 2021) degrade adversarial effective robustness under dataset shift.

G.2 Model

Advanced model architecture greatly boosts robustness and adversarial effective robustness under both types of shift over the baseline ResNet (He et al., 2016) (Fig. 19c). Among all tested architectures, ViT (Dosovitskiy et al., 2021) achieves the highest adversarial effective robustness.

Scaling model up improves robustness under both types of shift and adversarial effective robustness under dataset shift, but dramatically impairs adversarial effective robustness under threat shift (Fig. 19d). The latter is because increasing model size greatly improves ID robustness but not OOD robustness so that the real OOD robustness is much below the OOD robustness predicted by linear correlation.

G.3 Adversarial Training

VR (Dai et al., 2022), the state-of-the-art defense against unforeseen attacks, greatly boosts adversarial effective robustness under threat shifts in spite of inferior ID robustness. Surprisingly, VR also clearly boosts adversarial effective robustness under dataset shift even though not designed for dealing with these shifts.

Training methods **HS** (Pang et al., 2020), **MMA** (Ding et al., 2020) and **AS** (Bai et al., 2023) achieve an adversarial effective robustness of 16.22%, 10.74% and 9.41%, respectively, under threat shift, which are much higher than corresponding models trained with PGD. Importantly, in contrast to VR, these methods also improve ID robustness resulting in a further boost on OOD robustness. This makes them a potentially promising defense against multi-attack (Dai et al., 2023).

G.4 OOD Generalization Methods

Two leading methods, CARD-Deck (Diffenderfer et al., 2021) (ranked 1st) and PLAT (Kireev et al., 2022), from the common corruptions leaderboard of RobustBench are evaluated using our benchmark in Tab. 9. Despite the expected remarkable OOD clean generalization under OOD_d shifts, they offer little or no adversarial robustness regardless of ID or OOD setting. It suggests that OOD generalization methods alone do not help OOD adversarial robustness unless combined with adversarial training.

G.5 Unsupervised Representation Learning

Unsupervised learning has been observed to train models that generalize to distribution shifts better than supervised learning (Shi et al., 2023; Shen et al., 2021). However, it is unclear whether or not unsupervised learning will benefit OOD adversarial robustness. To test this we evaluated a model trained by Adversarial Contrastive Learning (ACL) (Jiang et al., 2020) which combines self-supervised contrastive learning with adversarial training. The effective robustness under dataset shift and threat shift is 0.12% and 0.64% (Tab. 9), suggesting only marginal benefit in improving OOD robustness.

Appendix H. Plots of Correlation per Dataset Shift







Figure 22: Correlation between ID accuracy and OOD accuracy (odd rows); ID robustness and OOD robustness (even rows) for CIFAR10 ℓ_{∞} AT models







Figure 25: Correlation between ID accuracy and OOD accuracy (odd rows); ID robustness and OOD robustness (even rows) for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 AT models







Figure 28: Correlation between ID accuracy and OOD accuracy (odd rows); ID robustness and OOD robustness (even rows) for ImageNet ℓ_{∞} AT models



Figure 29: Correlation between seen and unforeseen robustness on ID data for CIFAR10 ℓ_∞ AT models

Appendix I. Plots of Correlation per Threat Shift



Figure 30: Correlation between seen and unforeseen robustness on ID data for CIFAR10 ℓ_2 AT models



Figure 31: Correlation between seen and unforeseen robustness on ID data for ImageNet ℓ_∞ AT models