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Learning Adversarial Attacks on Adaptive Traffic Signal Control Systems Under Cooperative Perception

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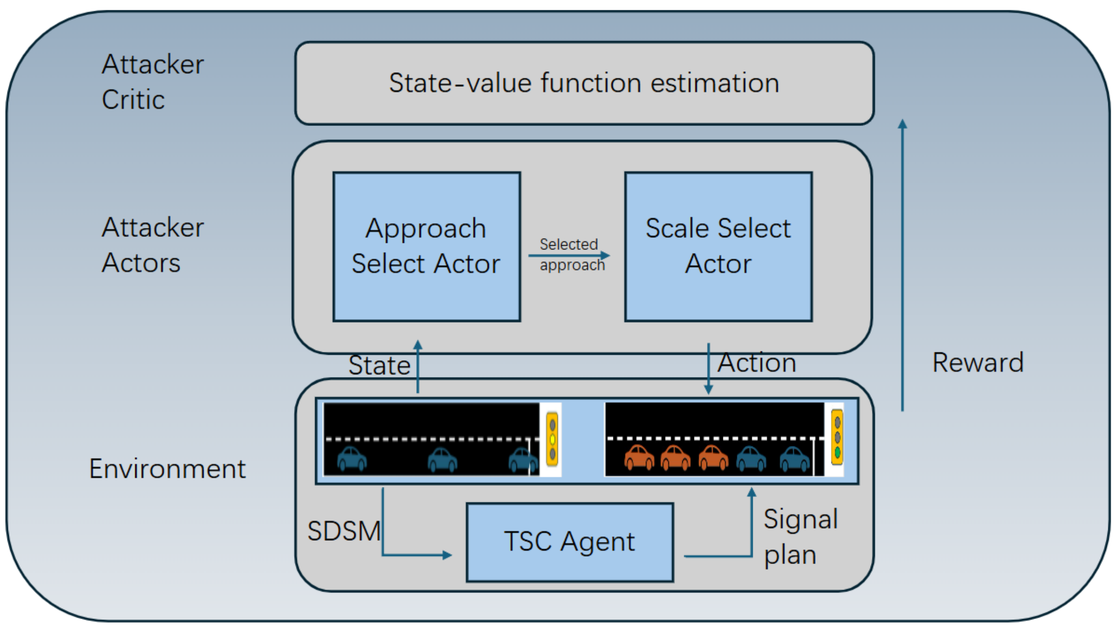
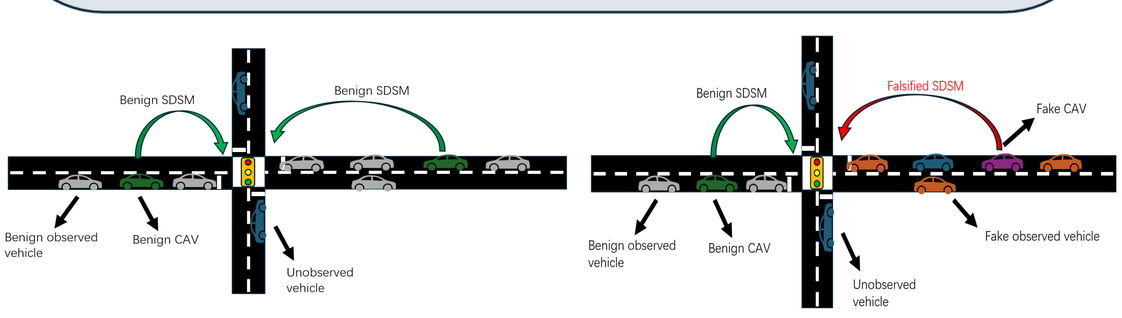
Introduction

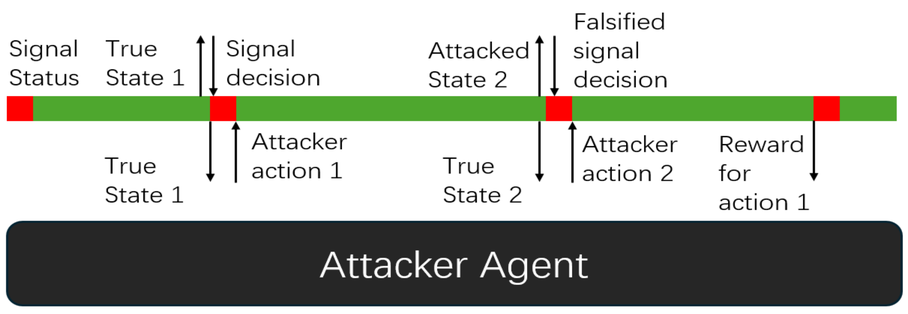
- The cooperative perception environment enabled by connected and automated vehicles (CAVs) can effectively enhance overall data collection efficiency.
- Cooperative perception-based traffic signal control (TSC) systems can further improve mobility at intersections but may suffer from potential cyber attacks.
- A deep reinforcement learning-based black-box adversarial attack framework is proposed and showed effectiveness against a learning-based traffic signal control model.

Threat Model





TSC Agent



Attacker Agent

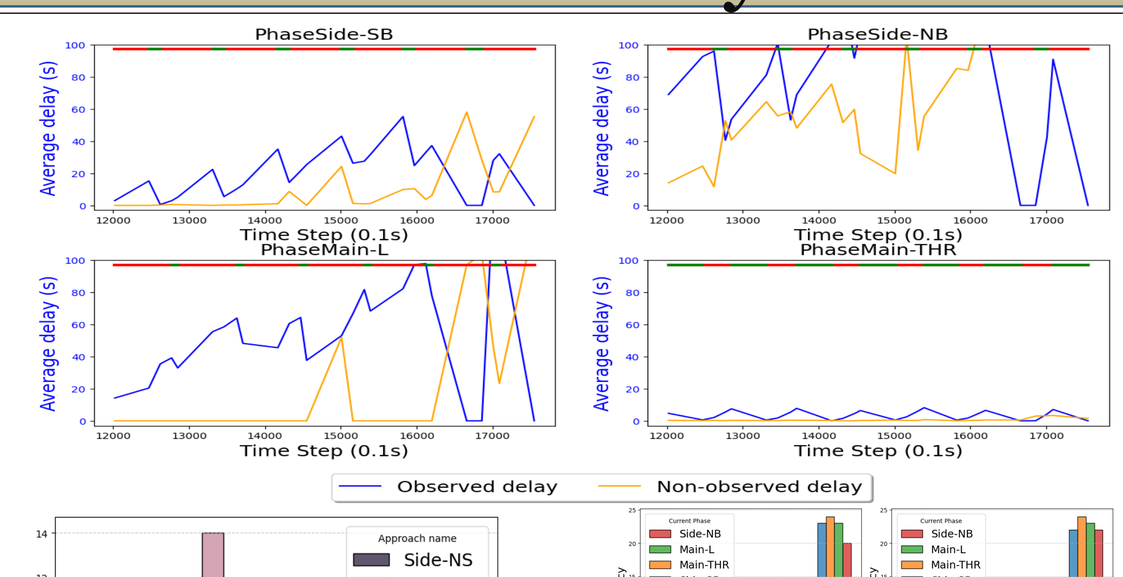
Target learning-based TSC

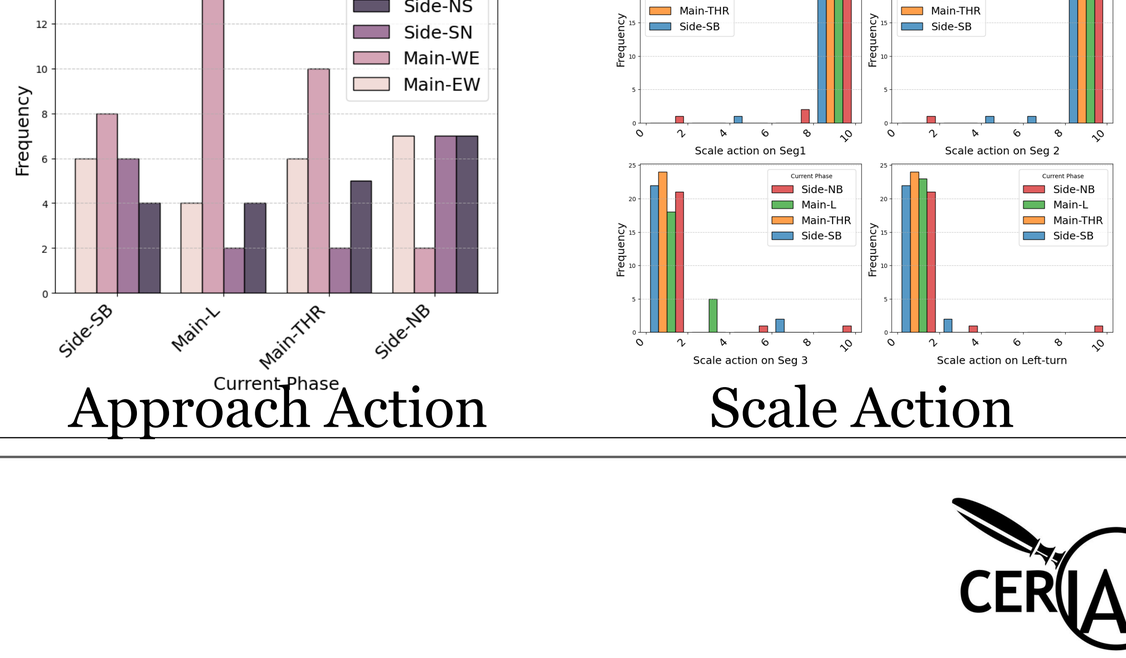
- State: **number of vehicles** on each segment; **average speed difference** of vehicles on each segment; index of current phase; duration of current phase.
- Action: continue the current phase or switch to the next phase. Phase sequence is given.
- Reward: weighted sum of scaled average delay per vehicle and a phase-switching penalty.

Attacker Agent

- State: same as the target TSC system
- Approach Action: an array of probabilities representing chance of **selecting the approach**, respectively
- Scale Action: numbers within 0 and 1 representing the percentage of the maximum number of **added vehicles to each segment.**
- Reward: weighted sum of attack performance and cost. Total vehicle delay and number of added fake vehicles.

Result Analysis





Approach Action

Scale Action

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