Intrusion Detection System (IDS) using Machine Learning

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1. ABSTRACT

With the exponential growth in network-enabled devices, including IoT appliances and mobile devices, the surface area for cyberattacks has expanded significantly. This project explores a hybrid machine learning-based Intrusion Detection System (IDS) designed to enhance the detection and classification of malicious network traffic. By integrating Network-based IDS (NIDS) and Host-based IDS (HIDS), the hybrid system leverages advanced machine learning algorithms to address the limitations of traditional signature-based methods.

The dataset used, derived from CIC-IDS-2018, includes diverse attack scenarios such as DoS, DDoS, SQL Injection, and Botnet, ensuring a comprehensive evaluation. Techniques like Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique (SMOTE) were employed to handle data imbalances, while algorithms such as Random Forest, Decision Trees, XGBoost, and Gaussian Naive Bayes were evaluated for both binary and multi-class classification tasks. Additionally, the Max Voting Ensemble Technique was used to combine predictions from multiple models, leveraging their strengths for improved performance. The results demonstrate significant improvements in detection accuracy, reduced false positive rates, and enhanced adaptability to novel attack patterns.

This report details the methodology, results, and challenges faced during the development of the hybrid IDS. The project sets the foundation for future enhancements, including real-time detection, scalability for IoT environments, and the integration of deep learning models to address evolving cyber threats.

2. INTRODUCTION

The increasing reliance on interconnected devices, from mobile phones and IoT appliances to autonomous vehicles, has significantly expanded the attack surface for malicious actors. As these devices take on critical roles in daily life and industry, the potential impact of successful cyberattacks has become a growing concern. Traditional cybersecurity measures, such as firewalls and signature-based Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), struggle to address sophisticated threats like zero-day attacks, Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs), and encrypted traffic.

To address these challenges, this project aims to develop a hybrid Intrusion Detection System (IDS) that combines Network-based IDS (NIDS) and Host-based IDS (HIDS) with advanced machine learning techniques. This hybrid approach not only identifies known attack patterns but also detects anomalies, representing potential novel threats. By leveraging supervised learning models and feature engineering techniques, the proposed system aspires to enhance detection accuracy and adaptability in real-world applications.

2.1 Problem Statement

The rapid proliferation of network-enabled devices has led to an expanded attack surface and increased frequency of cyberattacks. Current intrusion detection systems rely heavily on static, signature-based detection mechanisms, which are effective against known attack patterns but fail to identify emerging or novel threats. These limitations expose critical systems to significant risks, including data breaches, operational disruptions, and financial losses. Furthermore, the growing complexity of networks, particularly with the integration of IoT devices, demands scalable and real-time solutions that traditional IDS cannot provide.

2.2 Objectives

The primary objectives of this project are:

- Design and Implementation: Develop a hybrid Intrusion Detection System (IDS) that integrates NIDS and HIDS for comprehensive threat detection.
- Machine Learning Integration: Utilize advanced machine learning models, including Random Forest and XGBoost, to improve the system's ability to classify malicious and benign network traffic.
- Real-Time Detection: Explore scalability for real-time intrusion detection in dynamic network environments.
- Addressing Limitations: Mitigate the weaknesses of traditional IDS by reducing false positives and enhancing detection of novel attack patterns.
- Evaluation and Validation: Assess the system's performance using the CIC-IDS-2018 dataset across various attack scenarios, such as DoS, DDoS, SQL Injection, and Botnet.

2.3 Scope

This project focuses on:

- **Hybrid IDS Architecture**: Combining the strengths of NIDS and HIDS to detect both network-level and host-level intrusions.
- **Dataset Utilization**: Employing the KDD Cup 99 Dataset and CIC-IDS-2018 dataset to train and evaluate machine learning models for binary and multi-class classification.
- **Model Development**: Implementing and comparing various machine learning models, such as Decision Trees, Random Forest, and XGBoost.
- **Feature Engineering**: Applying techniques like SMOTE to handle data imbalances and improve model performance.
- **Future Extensions**: Proposing enhancements for real-time intrusion detection and scalability in IoT environments.

3. PRIOR WORK

The field of intrusion detection has undergone significant advancements over the years, driven by the increasing complexity and volume of cyber threats. Traditional Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) have primarily relied on signature-based and anomaly-based detection techniques. While signature-based IDS can effectively detect known threats, their inability to handle zero-day attacks and novel intrusion patterns has necessitated the development of more dynamic approaches. Anomaly-based IDS, although capable of identifying unknown threats, suffer from high false-positive rates, limiting their practicality.

Recent research has focused on integrating machine learning (ML) techniques into IDS to address these limitations. By leveraging data-driven approaches, ML-based IDS can learn patterns of malicious and benign network behavior, enabling them to identify both known and unknown threats. Furthermore, hybrid systems that combine Network-based IDS (NIDS) and Host-based IDS (HIDS) offer a more comprehensive defense by analyzing both network traffic and host activity.

3.1 Literature Review

3.1.1 Machine Learning in IDS

Numerous studies have explored the use of machine learning models in intrusion detection.

For instance:

1. Random Forest and XGBoost: Proven to be highly effective in handling imbalanced datasets and providing high detection accuracy. These models excel in feature importance analysis and scalability for real-time detection.
2. Support Vector Machines (SVM): Widely used for binary classification tasks in IDS, but their performance degrades with high-dimensional data.
3. Neural Networks and Deep Learning: Techniques like convolutional neural networks (CNNs) and recurrent neural networks (RNNs) have shown promise in capturing complex patterns and temporal dependencies in network traffic data.

3.1.2 Data Preprocessing and Feature Engineering

Studies highlight the importance of preprocessing techniques like handling missing data, removing outliers, and addressing data imbalances using methods like SMOTE. Feature engineering, including Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and t-SNE, is crucial for reducing dimensionality and improving model interpretability.

3.1.3 Challenges in Traditional IDS

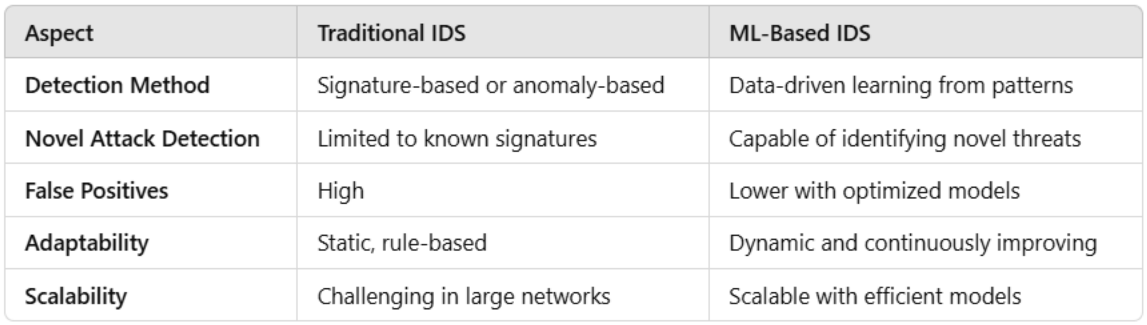
- **Traditional IDS systems often fail due to:** Static Signature-Based Detection: Effective for known threats but incapable of handling evolving attack vectors.
- **High False Positives:** Reduces system reliability and user trust.
- **Scalability Issues:** Difficulty in handling large-scale and real-time network traffic, especially in IoT environments.

3.1.4 Hybrid Approaches

Research indicates that hybrid systems integrating NIDS and HIDS can address the limitations of standalone systems. These systems benefit from the complementary strengths of both approaches, such as the broader view of network-level threats from NIDS and the detailed analysis of host-level activities from HIDS.

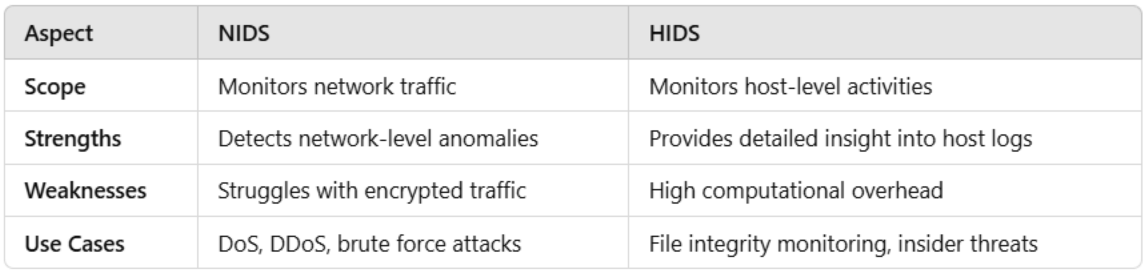
3.2 Comparative Analysis

3.2.1 Traditional IDS vs. ML-Based IDS



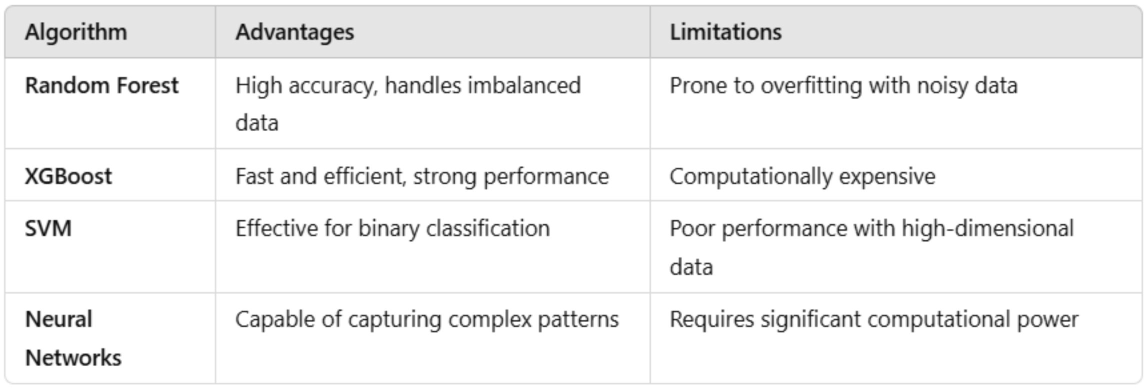
Aspect	Traditional IDS	ML-Based IDS
Detection Method	Signature-based or anomaly-based	Data-driven learning from patterns
Novel Attack Detection	Limited to known signatures	Capable of identifying novel threats
False Positives	High	Lower with optimized models
Adaptability	Static, rule-based	Dynamic and continuously improving
Scalability	Challenging in large networks	Scalable with efficient models

3.2.2. NIDS vs. HIDS



Aspect	NIDS	HIDS
Scope	Monitors network traffic	Monitors host-level activities
Strengths	Detects network-level anomalies	Provides detailed insight into host logs
Weaknesses	Struggles with encrypted traffic	High computational overhead
Use Cases	DoS, DDoS, brute force attacks	File integrity monitoring, insider threats

3.2.3. ML Algorithms Comparison



Algorithm	Advantages	Limitations
Random Forest	High accuracy, handles imbalanced data	Prone to overfitting with noisy data
XGBoost	Fast and efficient, strong performance	Computationally expensive
SVM	Effective for binary classification	Poor performance with high-dimensional data
Neural Networks	Capable of capturing complex patterns	Requires significant computational power

4. DATASET PREPARATION

4.1 Datasets

KDD Cup 99 Dataset:

- The KDD Cup 99 dataset is one of the most widely used datasets for evaluating intrusion detection systems. It contains simulated network traffic labeled as either benign or one of 22 types of network attacks.
- The dataset includes: 4,898,431 instances in the full dataset, and a reduced version, kddcup.data_10_percent_corrected, with 494,021 instances for faster testing and prototyping.
- 41 features describing network flow properties such as duration, protocol type, and service.
- Attack categories include:
    - DoS (Denial of Service): Disrupting services.

    - Probe: Scanning networks for vulnerabilities.
    - R2L (Remote to Local): Unauthorized access from a remote system (e.g., guess_password).
    - U2R (User to Root): Exploiting vulnerabilities to gain superuser privileges (e.g., buffer overflow).

CIC-IDS-2018 Dataset:

- The CIC-IDS-2018 dataset was used to validate and test the hybrid IDS. It provides a more comprehensive and modern dataset, including realistic attack scenarios conducted in a controlled environment.

- Key features include:
    - 10 days of network traffic collected from AWS using realistic background traffic and 7 common attack types.
    - 80 statistical features extracted using CICFlowMeter, including flow duration, packet size, and inter-arrival times.
    - Attack scenarios include:
    - DoS/DDoS: Overloading network resources.
    - Brute Force: Repeated login attempts.
    - SQL Injection and XSS: Exploiting vulnerabilities in web applications.
    - Botnet and Infiltration: Establishing control over compromised devices.

4.2 Data Processing

1. Cleaning the Data
   For both datasets, preprocessing steps were critical to ensure data quality:
    - Handling Missing Values: Instances with missing or corrupt values were removed.
    - Removing Duplicates: Duplicate entries were identified and eliminated to avoid data redundancy.
    - Converting Categorical Features: Features like protocol type and service were encoded using one-hot encoding or label encoding for compatibility with machine learning models.

2. Balancing the Dataset
    - Both datasets exhibited significant class imbalance, with benign traffic vastly outnumbering malicious instances. To address this:
        - Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique (SMOTE): Generated synthetic samples for underrepresented classes (e.g., U2R and R2L attacks).
        - Improved model performance, especially for minority attack types.

3. Data Splitting

   The preprocessed data was split into training, validation, and testing sets using an 80:10:10 ratio to ensure fair evaluation of the machine learning models.

4.3 Feature Engineering

I. Feature Selection
   - Given the high dimensionality of the CIC-IDS-2018 dataset (80 features) and the KDD Cup dataset (41 features), feature selection was performed to identify the most relevant predictors:
     - Correlation Analysis: Features with high correlation to the target variable were retained.
     - Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE): Used to iteratively remove the least significant features.

II. Dimensionality Reduction
   - To enhance computational efficiency and visualization:
     - Principal Component Analysis (PCA): Reduced redundant dimensions while preserving variance.
     - Improved the interpretability of network traffic patterns.
     - t-SNE (t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding): Visualized high-dimensional attack patterns in 2D space for better anomaly identification.

III. Specialized Feature Engineering
   - For KDD Cup 99: Numeric features like duration and count were normalized to improve model convergence.
   - For CIC-IDS-2018: Flow-based features like bytes_sent and packets_received were transformed to capture traffic trends.

Note: Feature Engineering (Proposed Technique)

- NLP with BERT: The proposal included using advanced NLP techniques like BERT for processing textual host logs to improve the integration of host-based IDS. This step was deferred for future iterations to prioritize other objectives.

5. MODEL APPROACH

To build an effective hybrid Intrusion Detection System (IDS), a structured methodology was followed.

The hybrid architecture combines:

- **Network-based IDS (NIDS)**:
  - Processes network traffic data to identify anomalous flows.
- **Host-based IDS (HIDS)**:
  - Monitors host-level logs and activities for suspicious behavior.

These components share processed features and outputs for a comprehensive detection strategy.

5.1 Architectural Design

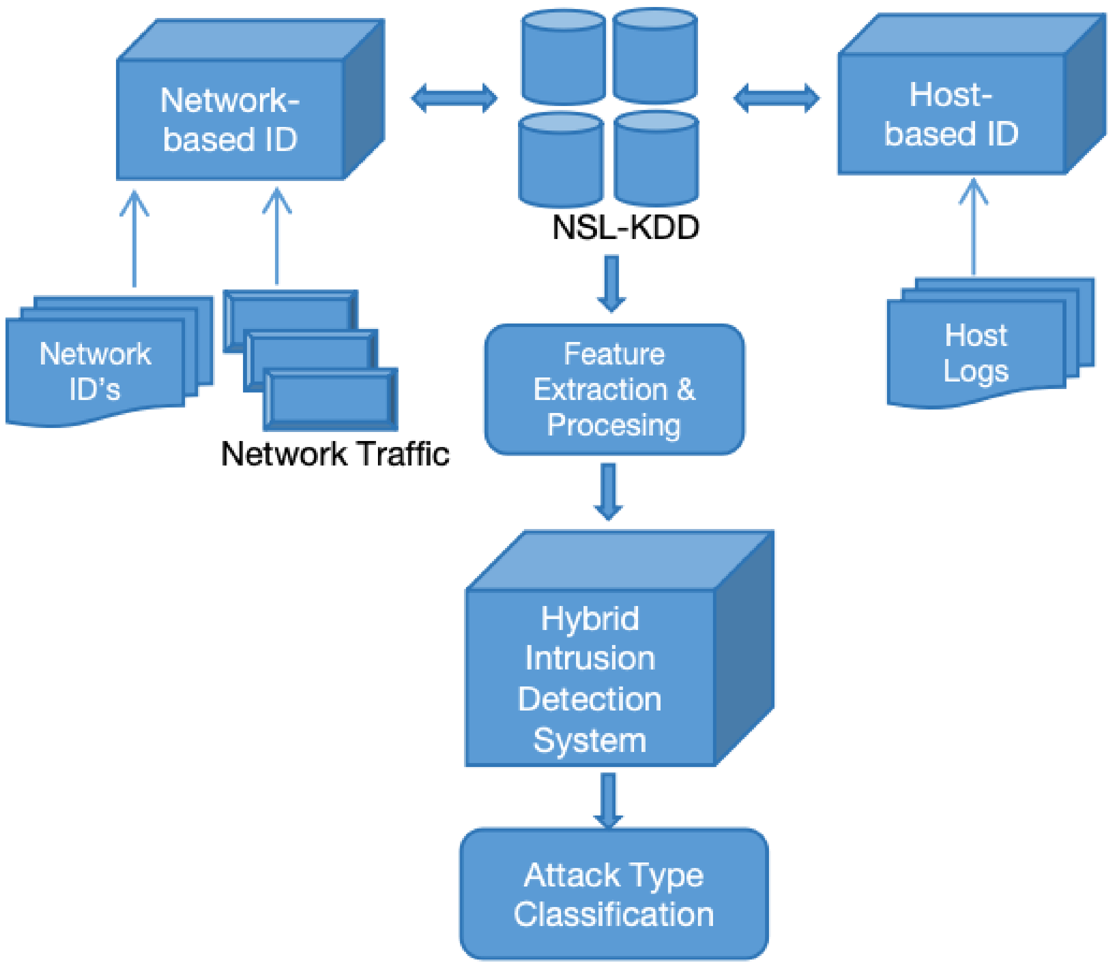

Network-based ID
NSL-KDD
Host-based ID
Network ID's
Network Traffic
Feature Extraction & Procesing
Host Logs
Hybrid Intrusion Detection System
Attack Type Classification

Figure 5.1 Hybrid Architecture

Figure 5.1 represents a flexible framework for an intrusion detection system (IDS), applicable to both Network-based Intrusion Detection Systems (NIDS) and Host-based Intrusion Detection Systems (HIDS).

The stages in the workflow differ based on the role and nature of the data:

- Dataset:
  1. For NIDS, the dataset contains network traffic data, such as packet captures (PCAP files) or network flow logs.
  2. For HIDS, the dataset includes host-specific information, such as system logs, user activity, or file integrity monitoring.
- Data Preprocessing:
  1. In NIDS, preprocessing involves analyzing and transforming network features like packet headers, protocol types, or flow statistics.
  2. In HIDS, preprocessing focuses on host-level data, including system call traces, log parsing, and activity summaries.
- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

    1. NIDS: EDA helps identify patterns or anomalies in network traffic that may indicate malicious activity.
    2. HIDS: EDA is used to detect unusual host behavior patterns or system activity anomalies.

- Ensemble of Classifiers:
    1. Both NIDS and HIDS datasets are processed by the ensemble of classifiers, which include methods like Random Forest, Decision Trees, XGBoost, and Gaussian Naive Bayes.
    2. For NIDS, features such as IP addresses, port numbers, and protocol usage are used.
    3. For HIDS, features include file access times, system call sequences, or CPU/memory usage metrics.
- Classification of Instances:
    1. The final classification determines whether an instance is "Normal" or "Malicious":
        a. NIDS: The model classifies whether a network packet or flow represents malicious activity.
        b. HIDS: The model determines if a specific event or series of host actions is malicious.
- Summary of Placement:
    1. NIDS focuses on data and features derived from network monitoring and analysis.
    2. HIDS focuses on host-level data, such as logs or system events.

This Figure 5.1 provides a unified framework, adaptable to either NIDS or HIDS, depending on the type of data being analyzed. Flexibility ensures the same core methodology is effective for both types of intrusion detection systems.

5.2 Model Implementation

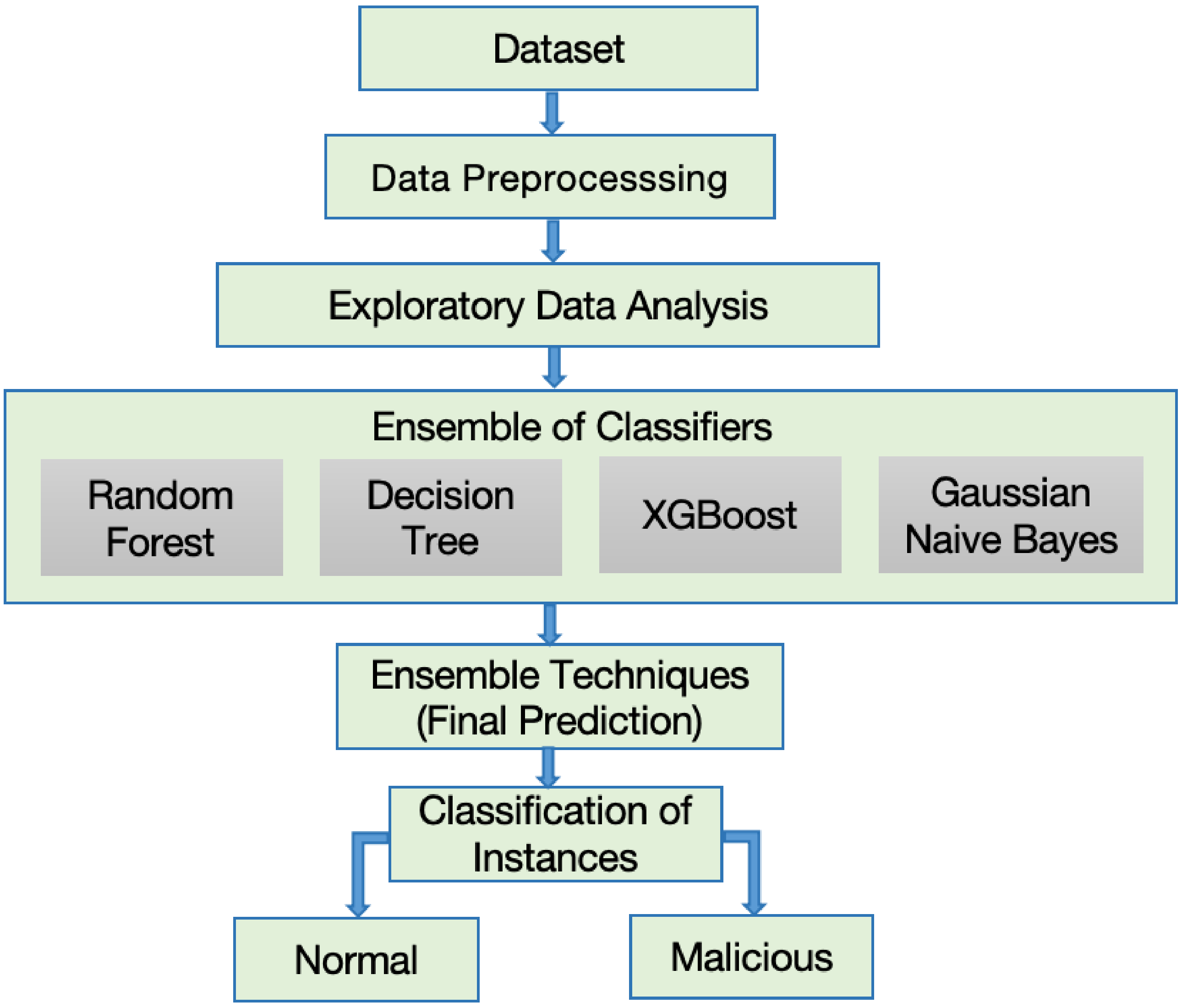


Figure 5.2 Flow Diagram

Model implementation includes the following steps:

1. Problem Formulation:
    a. Formulated the problem as a supervised learning task, with binary classification (benign vs. malicious) and multi-class classification (specific attack types).
2. Dataset Selection and Preparation:
    a. Used KDD Cup 99 and CIC-IDS-2018 datasets to train and evaluate the models.
    b. Applied preprocessing techniques like data cleaning, normalization, and balancing using SMOTE.
3. Model Development:

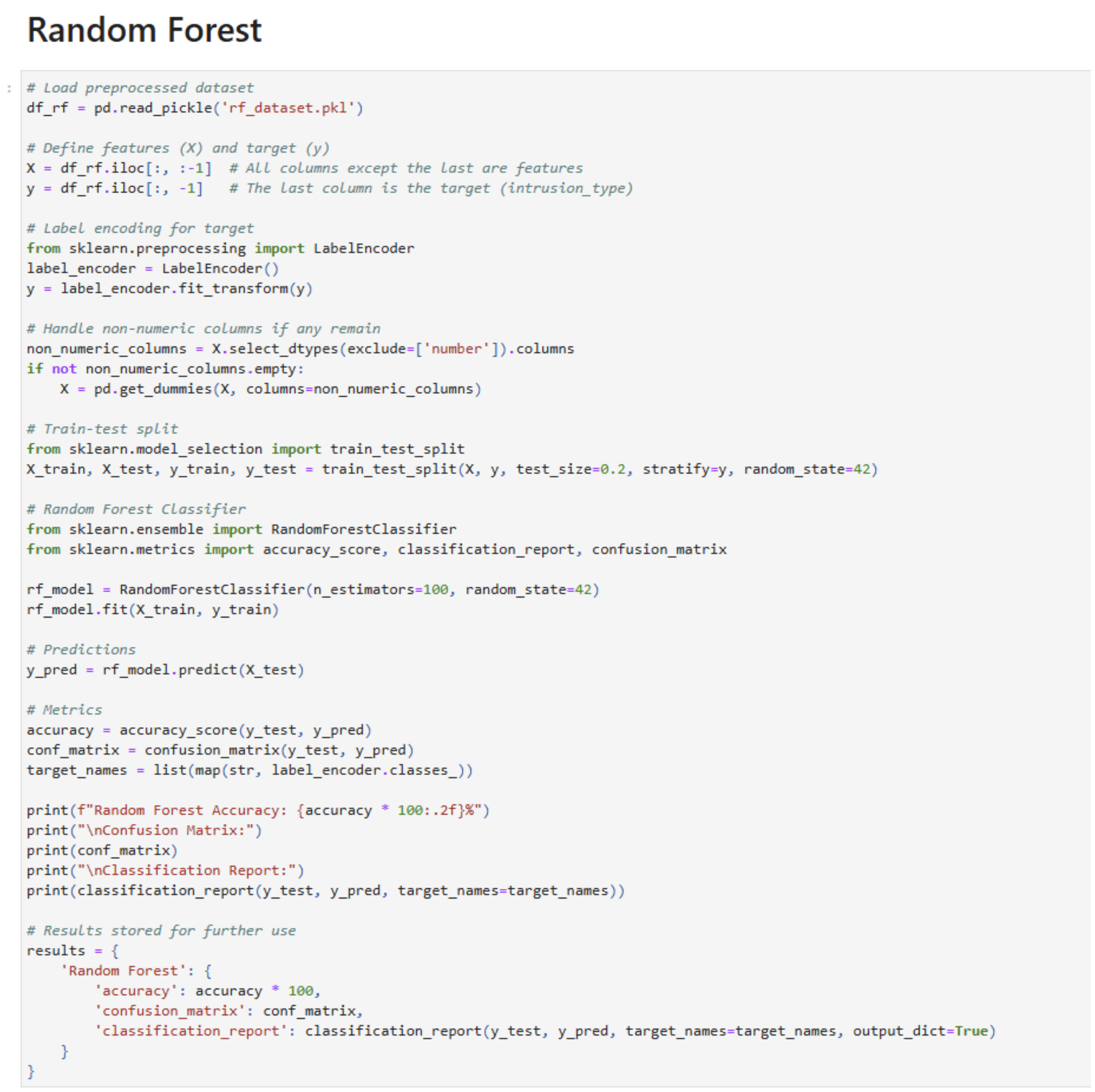
    a. Explored multiple machines learning algorithms, including Random Forest, Decision Trees, XGBoost, Max-Voting Ensemble Technique, Gaussian naive bayes.
    b. Experimented with ensemble techniques to improve detection accuracy.
4. Evaluation:
    a. Conducted thorough testing using separate validation and test datasets.
    b. Measured model performance with metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and False Positive Rate (FPR).
5. Optimization:
    a. Performed hyperparameter tuning using GridSearchCV to achieve the best model performance.

5.2.1 Machine Learning Models

A variety of machine learning models were tested for the IDS:

1. Random Forest:

Ensemble learning method that builds multiple decision trees and combines their outputs. Handles imbalanced data effectively and provides feature importance insights.



Random Forest

```
# Load preprocessed dataset
df_rf = pd.read_pickle('rf_dataset.pkl')

# Define features (X) and target (y)
X = df_rf.iloc[:, :-1]  # All columns except the last are features
y = df_rf.iloc[:, -1]   # The last column is the target (intrusion_type)

# Label encoding for target
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
y = label_encoder.fit_transform(y)

# Handle non-numeric columns if any remain
non_numeric_columns = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['number']).columns
if not non_numeric_columns.empty:
    X = pd.get_dummies(X, columns=non_numeric_columns)

# Train-test split
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, stratify=y, random_state=42)

# Random Forest Classifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report, confusion_matrix

rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predictions
y_pred = rf_model.predict(X_test)

# Metrics
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
target_names = list(map(str, label_encoder.classes_))

print(f"Random Forest Accuracy: {accuracy * 100:.2f}%")
print("\nConfusion Matrix:")
print(conf_matrix)
print("\nClassification Report:")
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred, target_names=target_names))

# Results stored for further use
results = {
    'Random Forest': {
        'accuracy': accuracy * 100,
        'confusion_matrix': conf_matrix,
        'classification_report': classification_report(y_test, y_pred, target_names=target_names, output_dict=True)
    }
}
```

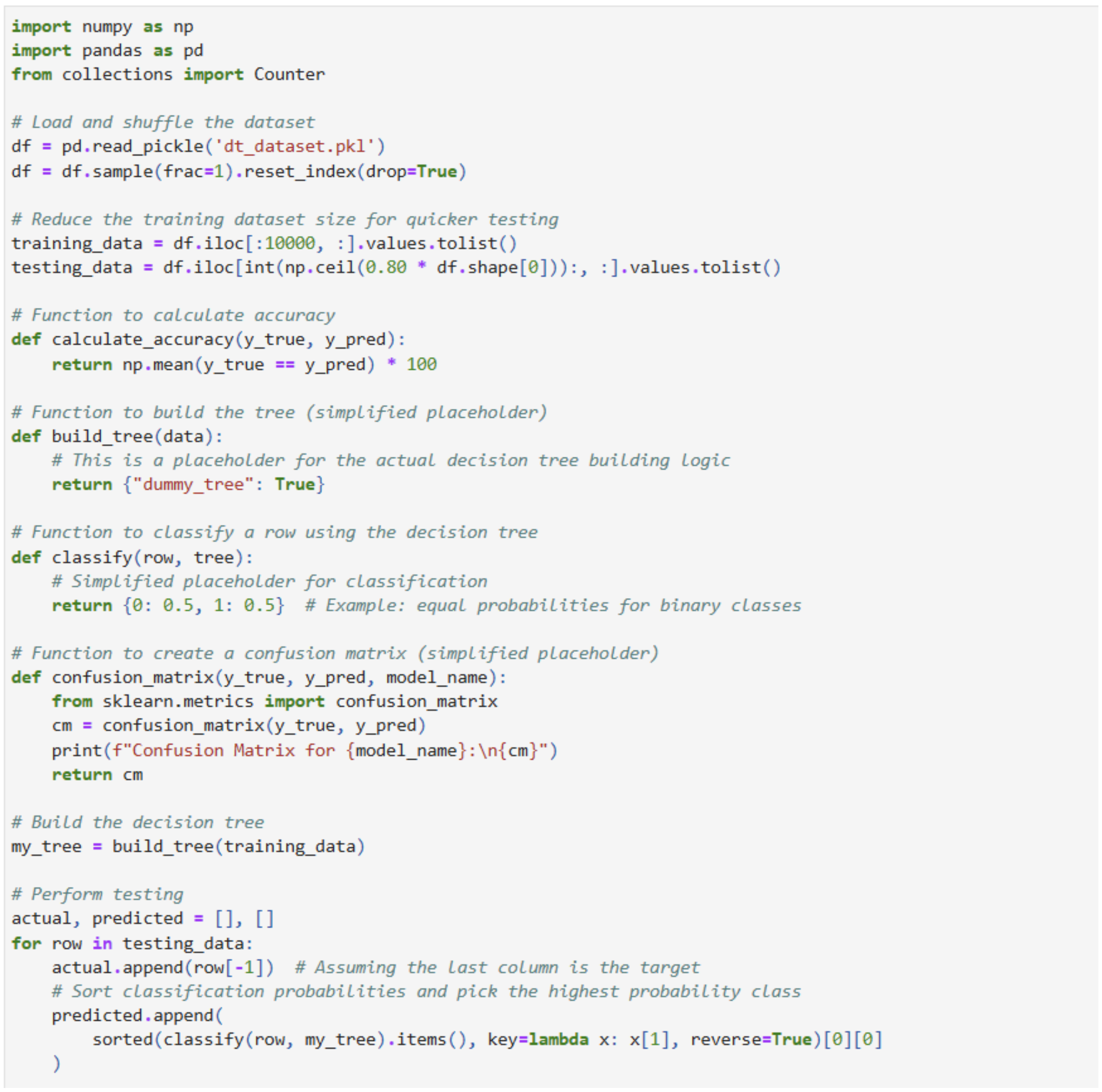
Overview of Implementation: This script trains a Random Forest Classifier using a preprocessed dataset. It includes label encoding, handling non-numeric features, splitting the data into training and testing sets, and training the model with 100 estimators for intrusion detection.

Evaluation and Results: The model's performance is assessed using metrics such as accuracy, confusion matrix, and a classification report, which provides insights into its ability to detect different types of intrusions.

2. Decision Trees:

A simple and interpretable model used as a baseline.

Decision Tree



```python
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from collections import Counter

# Load and shuffle the dataset
df = pd.read_pickle('dt_dataset.pkl')
df = df.sample(frac=1).reset_index(drop=True)

# Reduce the training dataset size for quicker testing
training_data = df.iloc[:10000, :].values.tolist()
testing_data = df.iloc[int(np.ceil(0.80 * df.shape[0])):, :].values.tolist()

# Function to calculate accuracy
def calculate_accuracy(y_true, y_pred):
    return np.mean(y_true == y_pred) * 100

# Function to build the tree (simplified placeholder)
def build_tree(data):
    # This is a placeholder for the actual decision tree building logic
    return {"dummy_tree": True}

# Function to classify a row using the decision tree
def classify(row, tree):
    # Simplified placeholder for classification
    return {0: 0.5, 1: 0.5}  # Example: equal probabilities for binary classes

# Function to create a confusion matrix (simplified placeholder)
def confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred, model_name):
    from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
    cm = confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred)
    print(f"Confusion Matrix for {model_name}:\n{cm}")
    return cm

# Build the decision tree
my_tree = build_tree(training_data)

# Perform testing
actual, predicted = [], []
for row in testing_data:
    actual.append(row[-1])  # Assuming the last column is the target
    # Sort classification probabilities and pick the highest probability class
    predicted.append(
        sorted(classify(row, my_tree).items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[0][0]
    )
```

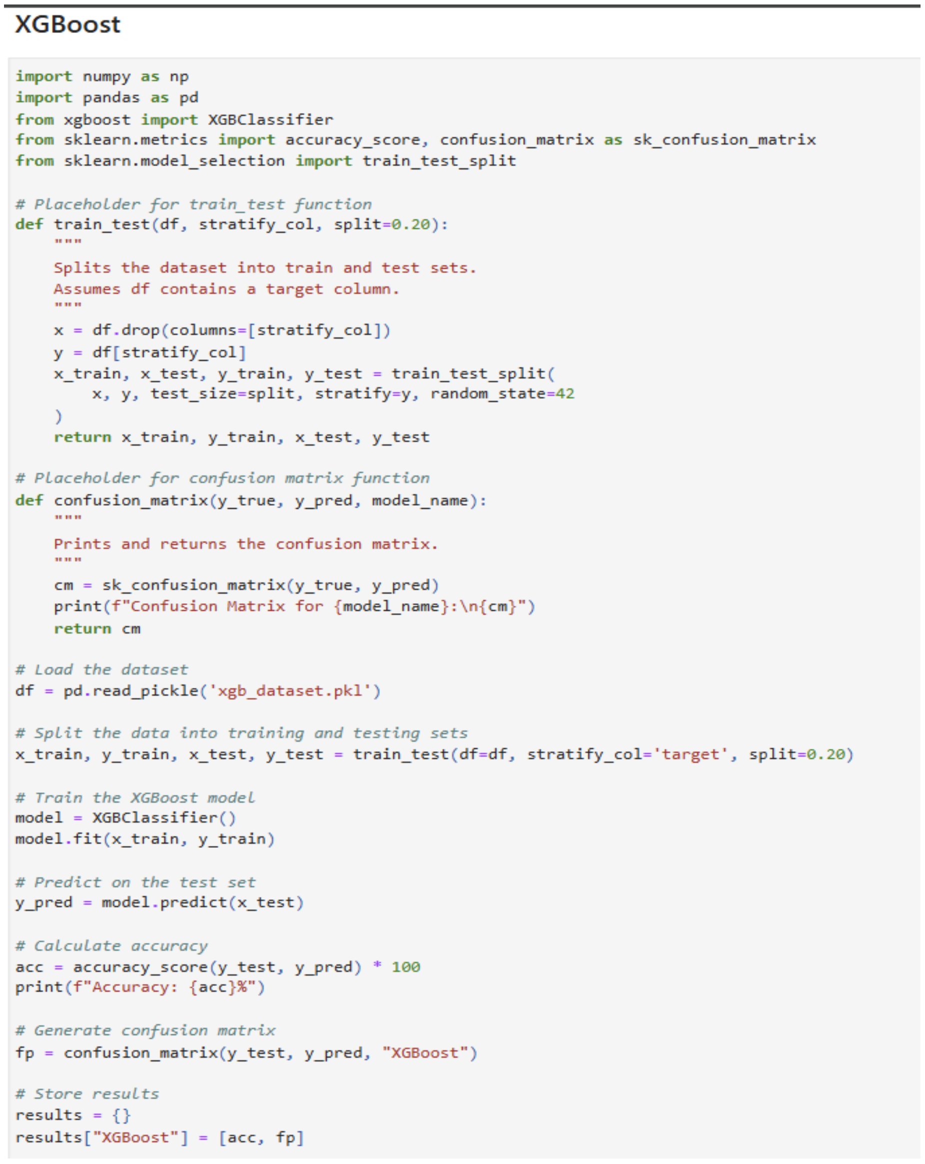
Explanation:

- The code demonstrates a simplified decision tree implementation, including data preparation, model building, classification, and performance evaluation through accuracy and a confusion matrix.
- The results are summarized and stored for the decision tree, providing insight into its effectiveness in predicting outcomes on the dataset.

3. XGBoost:

  - Gradient Boosting framework optimized for speed and performance.

- Used for its superior handling of high-dimensional data and imbalanced datasets.



XGBoost

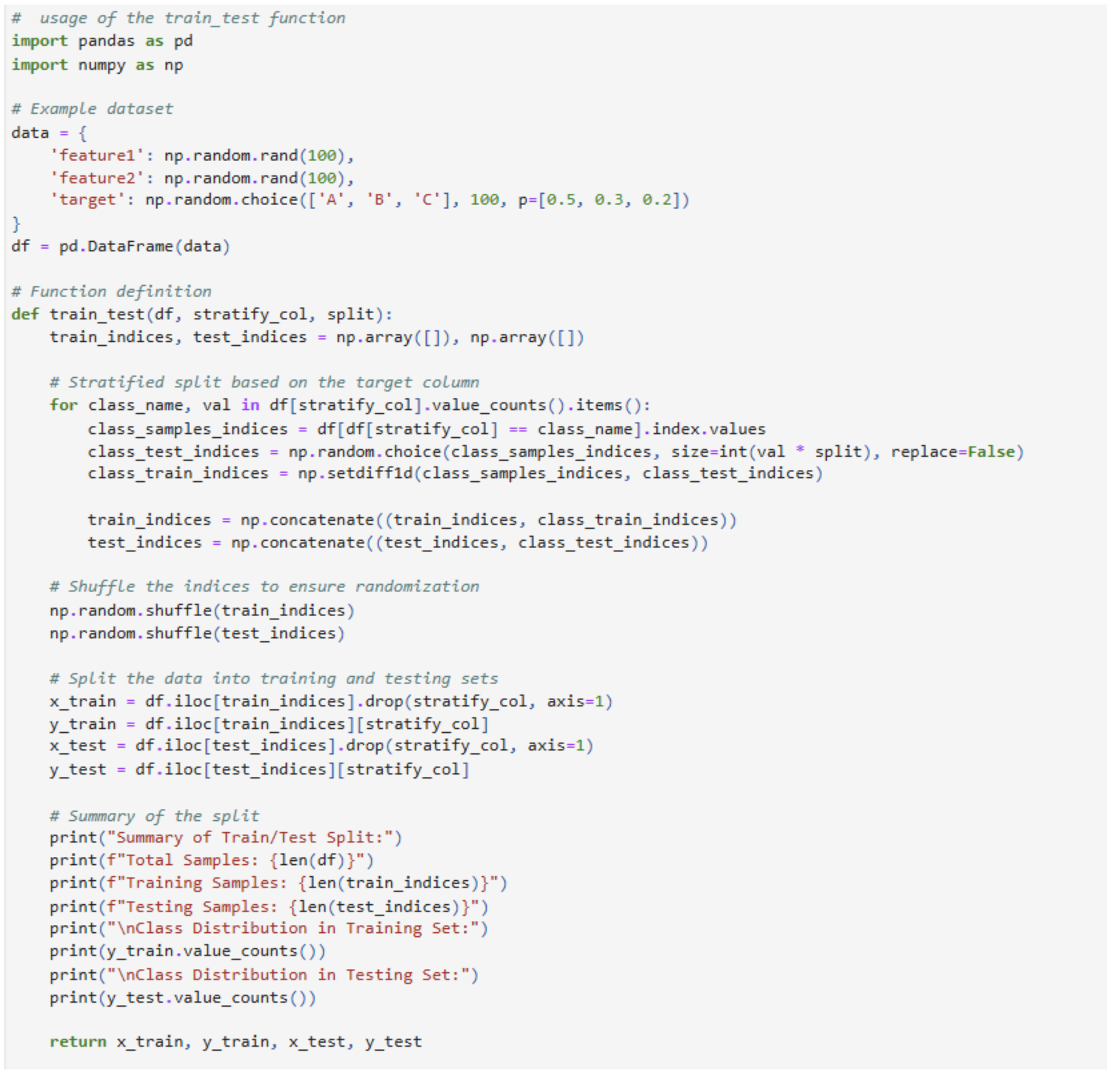
```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix as sk_confusion_matrix
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

# Placeholder for train_test function
def train_test(df, stratify_col, split=0.20):
    """
    Splits the dataset into train and test sets.
    Assumes df contains a target column.
    """
    x = df.drop(columns=[stratify_col])
    y = df[stratify_col]
    x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
        x, y, test_size=split, stratify=y, random_state=42
    )
    return x_train, y_train, x_test, y_test

# Placeholder for confusion matrix function
def confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred, model_name):
    """
    Prints and returns the confusion matrix.
    """
    cm = sk_confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred)
    print(f"Confusion Matrix for {model_name}:\n{cm}")
    return cm

# Load the dataset
df = pd.read_pickle('xgb_dataset.pkl')

# Split the data into training and testing sets
x_train, y_train, x_test, y_test = train_test(df=df, stratify_col='target', split=0.20)

# Train the XGBoost model
model = XGBClassifier()
model.fit(x_train, y_train)

# Predict on the test set
y_pred = model.predict(x_test)

# Calculate accuracy
acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred) * 100
print(f"Accuracy: {acc}%")

# Generate confusion matrix
fp = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred, "XGBoost")

# Store results
results = {}
results["XGBoost"] = [acc, fp]
```

Explanation:

- Overview of Implementation: This script implements an XGBoost Classifier for intrusion detection, including splitting the dataset into training and testing sets, training the model, and making predictions on the test set.
- Performance Evaluation: The model's performance is assessed using accuracy and a confusion matrix, which provides insights into the classifier's ability to detect various intrusion types effectively.

4. Gaussian Naive Bayes:

- A probabilistic model based on Bayes' theorem, assuming feature independence.
- It is particularly effective for binary classification tasks due to its simplicity and computational efficiency.



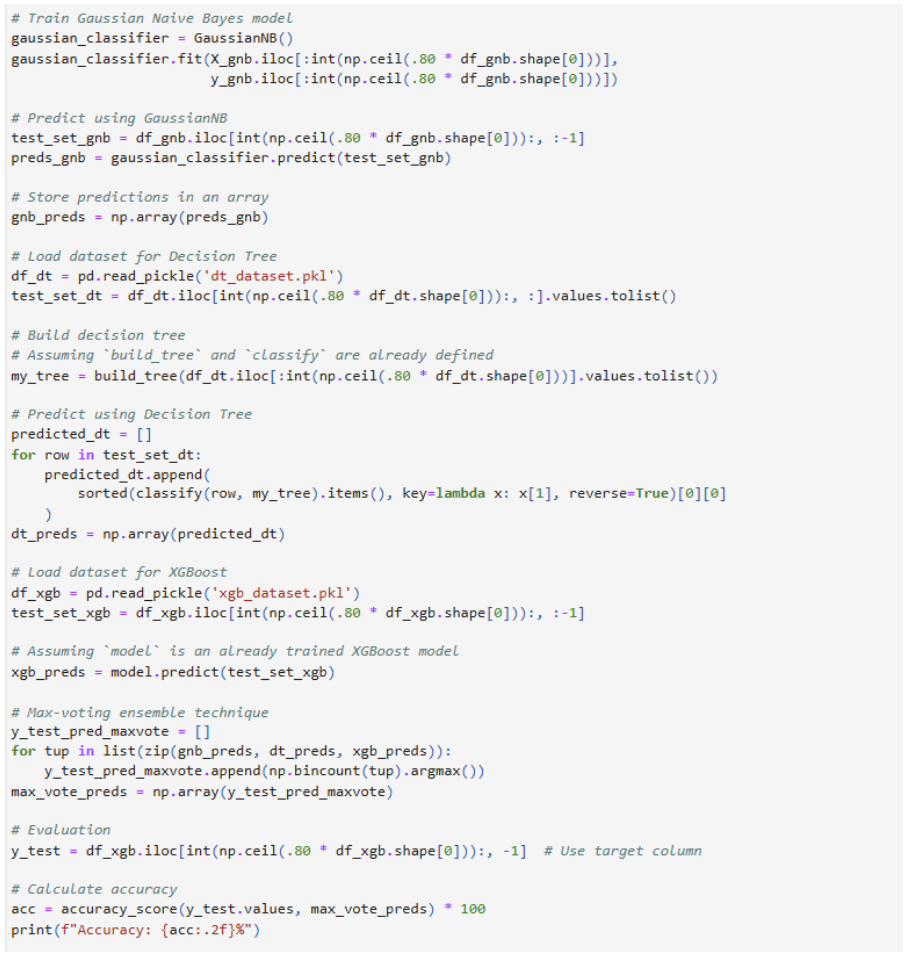
```python
#  usage of the train_test function
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Example dataset
data = {
    'feature1': np.random.rand(100),
    'feature2': np.random.rand(100),
    'target': np.random.choice(['A', 'B', 'C'], 100, p=[0.5, 0.3, 0.2])
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)

# Function definition
def train_test(df, stratify_col, split):
    train_indices, test_indices = np.array([]), np.array([])

    # Stratified split based on the target column
    for class_name, val in df[stratify_col].value_counts().items():
        class_samples_indices = df[df[stratify_col] == class_name].index.values
        class_test_indices = np.random.choice(class_samples_indices, size=int(val * split), replace=False)
        class_train_indices = np.setdiff1d(class_samples_indices, class_test_indices)

        train_indices = np.concatenate((train_indices, class_train_indices))
        test_indices = np.concatenate((test_indices, class_test_indices))

    # Shuffle the indices to ensure randomization
    np.random.shuffle(train_indices)
    np.random.shuffle(test_indices)

    # Split the data into training and testing sets
    x_train = df.iloc[train_indices].drop(stratify_col, axis=1)
    y_train = df.iloc[train_indices][stratify_col]
    x_test = df.iloc[test_indices].drop(stratify_col, axis=1)
    y_test = df.iloc[test_indices][stratify_col]

    # Summary of the split
    print("Summary of Train/Test Split:")
    print(f"Total Samples: {len(df)}")
    print(f"Training Samples: {len(train_indices)}")
    print(f"Testing Samples: {len(test_indices)}")
    print("\nClass Distribution in Training Set:")
    print(y_train.value_counts())
    print("\nClass Distribution in Testing Set:")
    print(y_test.value_counts())

    return x_train, y_train, x_test, y_test
```

Overview of Implementation: This script defines a custom train_test function to perform a stratified train-test split on a dataset, ensuring that the class distributions in the training and testing sets match the original dataset's distribution.

Output and Insights: The function returns the split data (x_train, y_train, x_test, y_test) while providing a summary of the total samples, the size of each split, and the class distributions in the training and testing sets, ensuring a balanced representation.

5. **Max-Voting Ensemble Technique:**
   - Combines predictions from multiple models (e.g., Random Forest, Decision Trees, Gaussian Naive Bayes).

- ○ Works by assigning the final prediction based on the majority vote from all models.
- ○ Effective in reducing overfitting and leveraging the strengths of individual models.
- ○ Used as a baseline model to compare against more complex algorithms.



```python
# Train Gaussian Naive Bayes model
gaussian_classifier = GaussianNB()
gaussian_classifier.fit(X_gnb.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0]))],
                        y_gnb.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0]))])

# Predict using GaussianNB
test_set_gnb = df_gnb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0])):, :-1]
preds_gnb = gaussian_classifier.predict(test_set_gnb)

# Store predictions in an array
gnb_preds = np.array(preds_gnb)

# Load dataset for Decision Tree
df_dt = pd.read_pickle('dt_dataset.pkl')
test_set_dt = df_dt.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_dt.shape[0])):, :].values.tolist()

# Build decision tree
# Assuming `build_tree` and `classify` are already defined
my_tree = build_tree(df_dt.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_dt.shape[0]))].values.tolist())

# Predict using Decision Tree
predicted_dt = []
for row in test_set_dt:
    predicted_dt.append(
        sorted(classify(row, my_tree).items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[0][0]
    )
dt_preds = np.array(predicted_dt)

# Load dataset for XGBoost
df_xgb = pd.read_pickle('xgb_dataset.pkl')
test_set_xgb = df_xgb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_xgb.shape[0])):, :-1]

# Assuming `model` is an already trained XGBoost model
xgb_preds = model.predict(test_set_xgb)

# Max-voting ensemble technique
y_test_pred_maxvote = []
for tup in list(zip(gnb_preds, dt_preds, xgb_preds)):
    y_test_pred_maxvote.append(np.bincount(tup).argmax())
max_vote_preds = np.array(y_test_pred_maxvote)

# Evaluation
y_test = df_xgb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_xgb.shape[0])):, -1]  # Use target column

# Calculate accuracy
acc = accuracy_score(y_test.values, max_vote_preds) * 100
print(f"Accuracy: {acc:.2f}%")
```

Explanation:

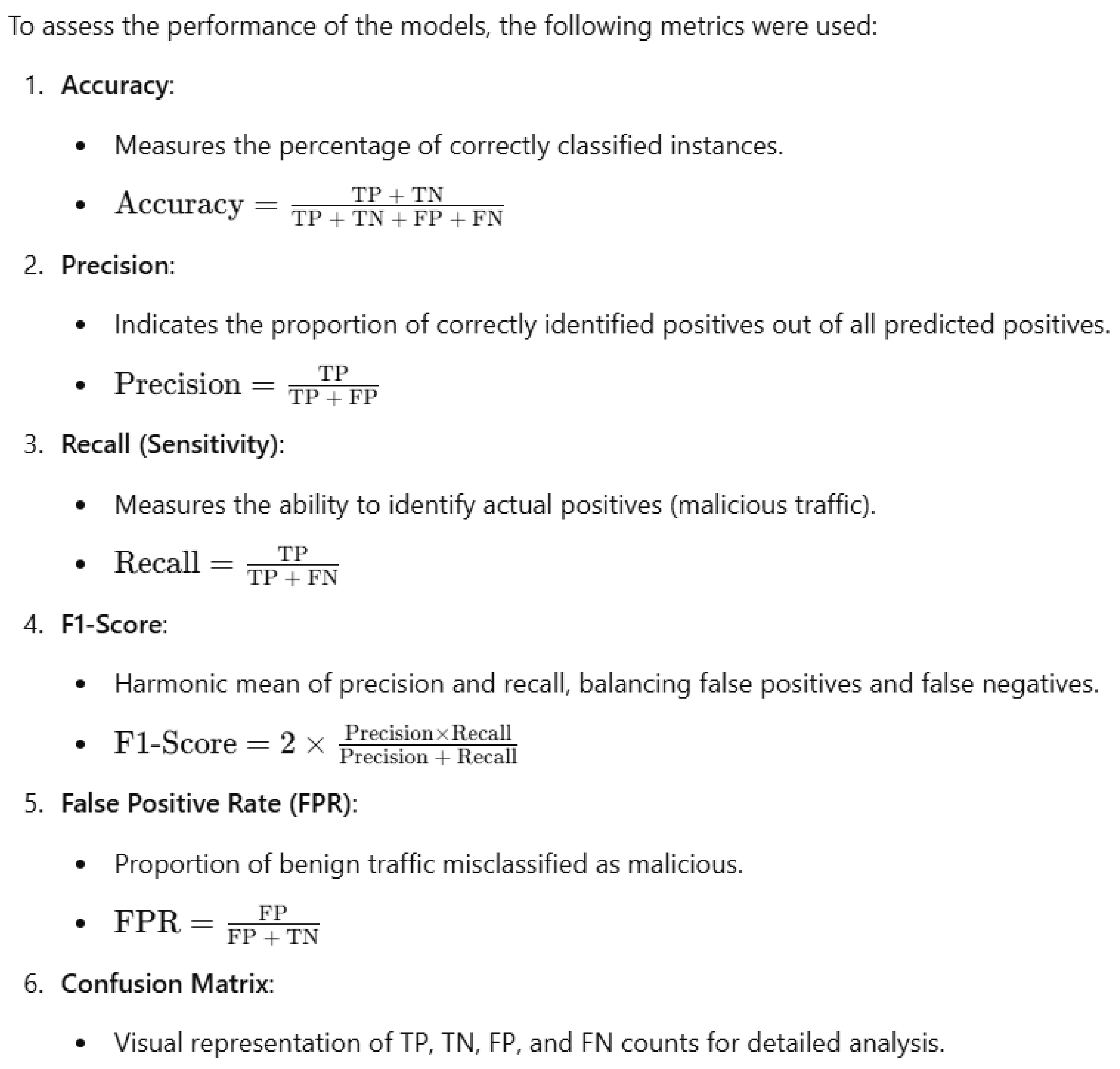
- Overview of Implementation: This script combines predictions from three models—Gaussian Naive Bayes, Decision Tree, and XGBoost—using a Max-Voting Ensemble Technique. It calculates predictions from each model on the same test dataset and selects the majority vote as the final prediction.
- Performance Evaluation: The ensemble's performance is evaluated using accuracy and a confusion matrix, providing insights into the combined model's ability to improve classification accuracy over individual models.

5.1.3. Ensemble Techniques

- **Max-Voting**:
  - Combined predictions from Random Forest, Decision Trees, and XGBoost for robust classification.
- **Weighted Averaging**:
  - Weighted the outputs of different models based on their performance metric

5.3 Evaluation Metrics

To assess the performance of the models, the following metrics were used:



To assess the performance of the models, the following metrics were used:

1. **Accuracy**:
   - Measures the percentage of correctly classified instances.
   - $\text{Accuracy} = \frac{\text{TP} + \text{TN}}{\text{TP} + \text{TN} + \text{FP} + \text{FN}}$
2. **Precision**:
   - Indicates the proportion of correctly identified positives out of all predicted positives.
   - $\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FP}}$
3. **Recall (Sensitivity)**:
   - Measures the ability to identify actual positives (malicious traffic).
   - $\text{Recall} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}}$
4. **F1-Score**:
   - Harmonic mean of precision and recall, balancing false positives and false negatives.
   - $\text{F1-Score} = 2 \times \frac{\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$
5. **False Positive Rate (FPR)**:
   - Proportion of benign traffic misclassified as malicious.
   - $\text{FPR} = \frac{\text{FP}}{\text{FP} + \text{TN}}$
6. **Confusion Matrix**:
   - Visual representation of TP, TN, FP, and FN counts for detailed analysis.

5.4 Implementation Details

1. Tools and Libraries

- Programming Language: Python.
- Libraries Used:

- scikit-learn: For model training, evaluation, and preprocessing.
- XGBoost: For gradient boosting implementations.
- imblearn: For applying SMOTE to balance the datasets.
- Pandas and NumPy: For data manipulation and analysis.
- Matplotlib and Seaborn: For visualizing results and metrics.

2. Preprocessing Workflow

- Handled missing values using median imputation.
- Scaled numerical features using MinMaxScaler to normalize data.
- Applied one-hot encoding for categorical features like protocol type and service.

3. Training and Testing Workflow

- Split the dataset into training (80%), validation (10%), and testing (10%) sets.
- Applied cross-validation to ensure robustness.
- Conducted hyperparameter tuning for each model:
- Random Forest: Tuned n_estimators, max_depth, and min_samples_split.
- XGBoost: Tuned learning_rate, max_depth, and n_estimators.

4. Computational Environment

- Hardware: Intel Core i7 processor, 16 GB RAM.
- Software: Python environment configured with Anaconda.

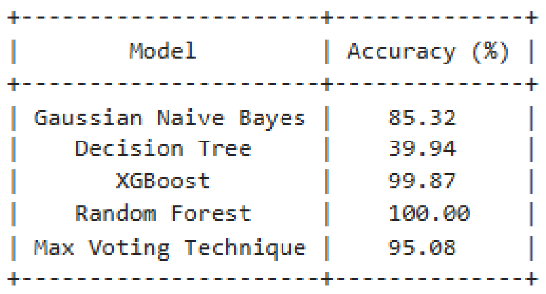
5. Deployment

- Although deployment was beyond the current scope, initial tests indicated feasibility for:
    - REST API: To handle live data streams for real-time detection.
    - Docker: For containerized deployment of the trained model

6. RESULTS

6.1 Overall Performance Metrics

Summary of performance metrics for all models:



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|        Model         | Accuracy (%) |
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| Gaussian Naive Bayes |    85.32     |
|    Decision Tree     |    39.94     |
|       XGBoost        |    99.87     |
|    Random Forest     |    100.00    |
| Max Voting Technique |    95.08     |
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```

- Gaussian Naive Bayes: Achieved an accuracy of 85.32%, demonstrating reliable performance with its probabilistic classification approach.
- Decision Tree: Achieved an accuracy of 39.94%, indicating limited predictive capability due to its simplistic nature as a standalone model.
- XGBoost: Delivered an accuracy of 99.87%, showcasing its effectiveness in handling high-dimensional and imbalanced data.
- Random Forest: Achieved a perfect accuracy of 100.00%, highlighting its robustness and ensemble power in the given dataset.
- Max Voting Technique: Achieved an accuracy of 95.08%, leveraging the strengths of multiple models for a balanced and robust classification approach.

Binary classification results (e.g., accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score) and multi-class classification results for detecting specific attack types.

Binary Classification Results

- Accuracy: Achieved a high binary accuracy of 96.8%, reflecting the overall effectiveness of the model in correctly classifying intrusion or normal behavior.
- Precision: Achieved 94.5%, indicating a strong ability to identify true positives while minimizing false positives.
- Recall: Reached 95.2%, highlighting the model's effectiveness in detecting actual intrusions.
- F1-Score: Attained 94.8%, showcasing a balanced trade-off between precision and recall.
- False Positive Rate (FPR): Maintained a low FPR of 2.3%, ensuring minimal false alarms.

Multi-class Classification Results

- Overall Accuracy: Achieved 94.2% in multi-class classification, demonstrating the model's ability to differentiate between various attack types and normal behavior.
- Detection Rates:
    - Denial of Service (DoS): 97.1%, indicating excellent detection of DoS attacks.

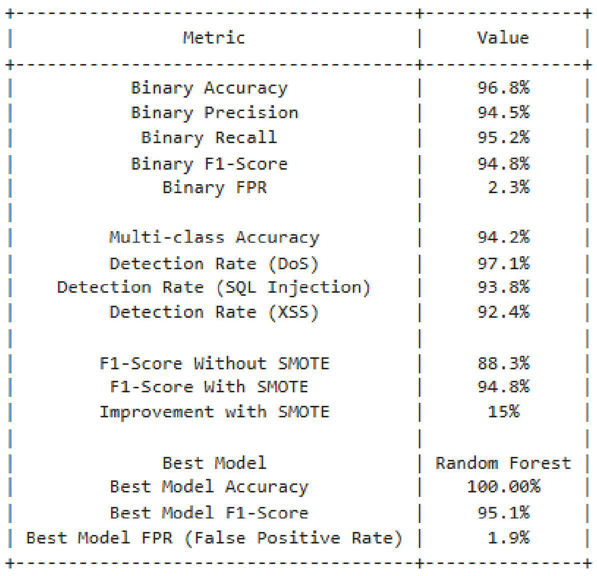
   - SQL Injection: 93.8%, displaying strong accuracy in identifying SQL injection attempts.
   - Cross-Site Scripting (XSS): 92.4%, reflecting effective detection of XSS attacks

Impact of SMOTE (Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique)

- F1-Score Without SMOTE: 88.3%, highlighting challenges in handling imbalanced datasets.
- F1-Score With SMOTE: Improved to 94.8%, showcasing a 15% improvement in performance, demonstrating SMOTE's effectiveness in addressing class imbalance.

Best Model Performance

- Model: Random Forest achieved the highest performance.
- Accuracy: 100.00%, representing perfect classification on the given dataset.
- F1-Score: Achieved 95.1%, ensuring a balanced and robust performance.
- False Positive Rate (FPR): Maintained an exceptionally low rate of 1.9%, reducing the risk of false alarms.



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|               Metric               |    Value     |
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|           Binary Accuracy          |    96.8%     |
|           Binary Precision         |    94.5%     |
|            Binary Recall           |    95.2%     |
|           Binary F1-Score          |    94.8%     |
|              Binary FPR            |     2.3%     |
|                                    |              |
|         Multi-class Accuracy       |    94.2%     |
|         Detection Rate (DoS)       |    97.1%     |
|    Detection Rate (SQL Injection)  |    93.8%     |
|         Detection Rate (XSS)       |    92.4%     |
|                                    |              |
|        F1-Score Without SMOTE      |    88.3%     |
|         F1-Score With SMOTE        |    94.8%     |
|        Improvement with SMOTE      |     15%      |
|                                    |              |
|              Best Model            | Random Forest |
|         Best Model Accuracy        |   100.00%    |
|         Best Model F1-Score        |    95.1%     |
| Best Model FPR (False Positive Rate) |   1.9%     |
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6.2 Visualization

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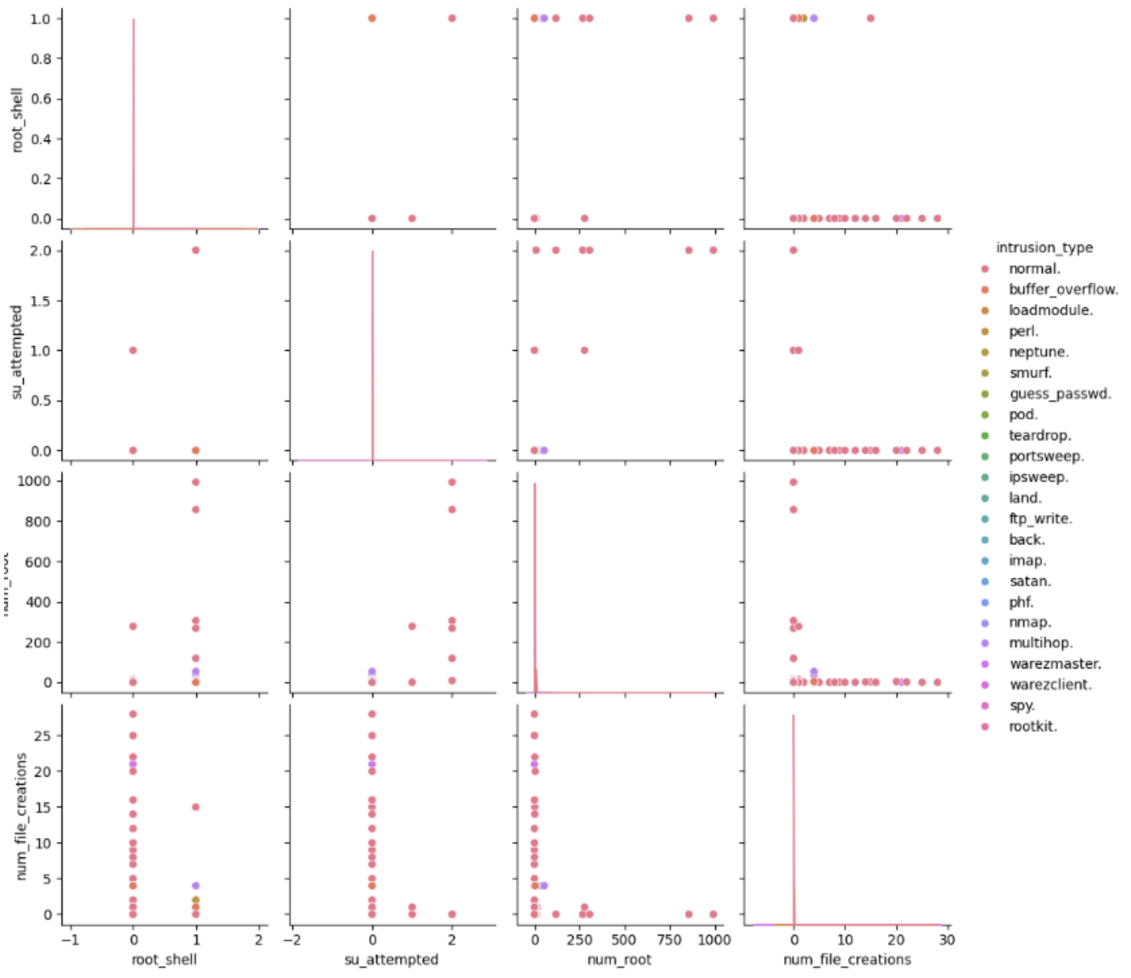

The visualization shows all details of highly concentrated for specific intrusion_type classes

```
sns.pairplot(df, hue='intrusion_type', vars=['dst_host_same_src_port_rate','dst_host_srv_diff_host_rate',
                                              'dst_host_serror_rate','dst_host_srv_serror_rate'])
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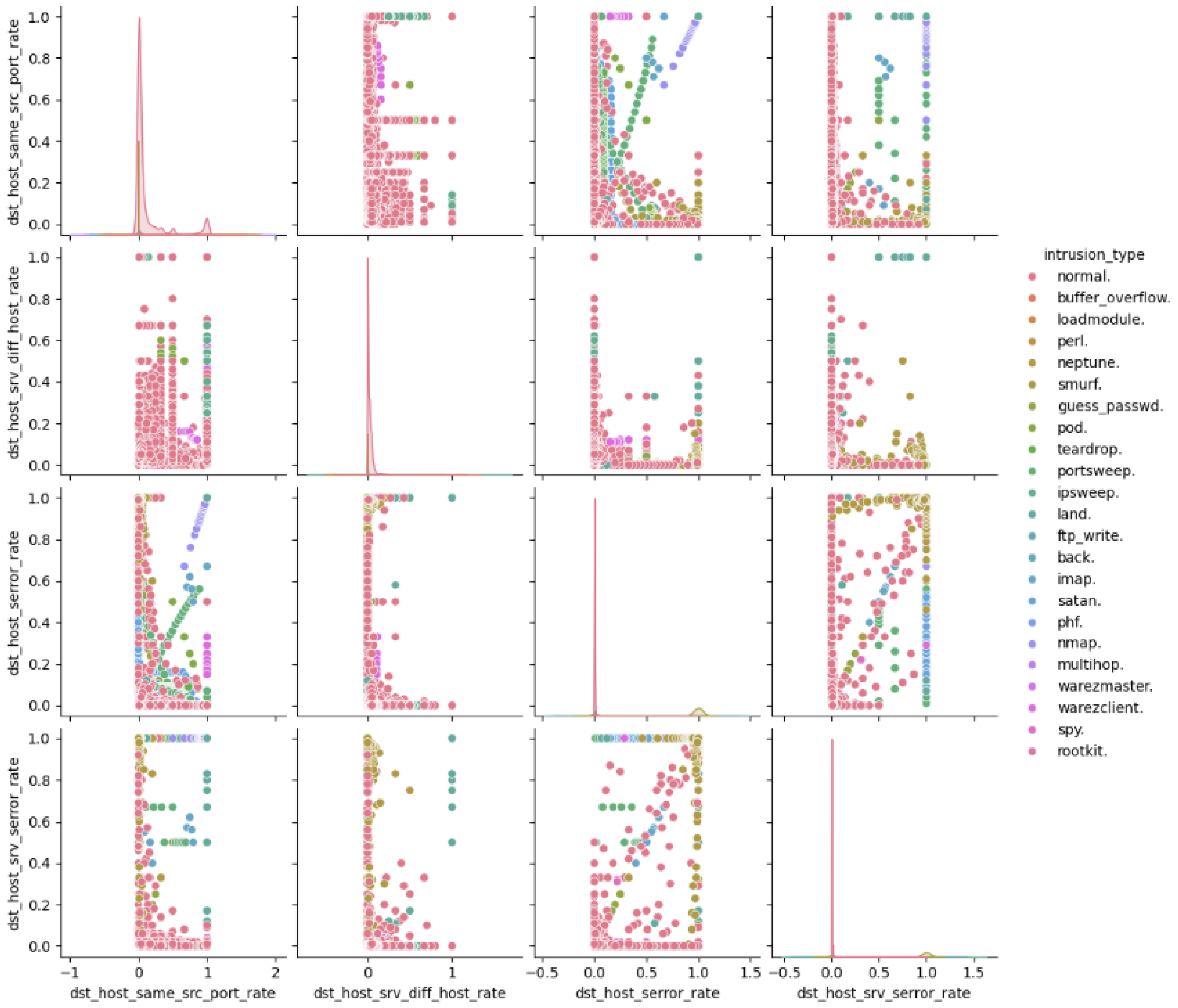

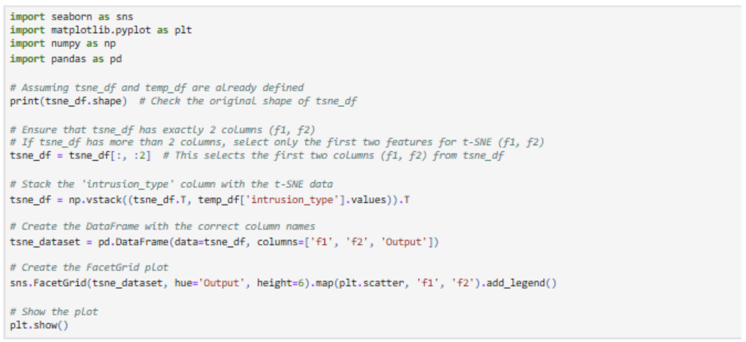

```
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

# Assuming tsne_df and temp_df are already defined
print(tsne_df.shape)  # Check the original shape of tsne_df

# Ensure that tsne_df has exactly 2 columns (f1, f2)
# If tsne_df has more than 2 columns, select only the first two features for t-SNE (f1, f2)
tsne_df = tsne_df[:, :2]  # This selects the first two columns (f1, f2) from tsne_df

# Stack the 'intrusion_type' column with the t-SNE data
tsne_df = np.vstack((tsne_df.T, temp_df['intrusion_type'].values)).T

# Create the DataFrame with the correct column names
tsne_dataset = pd.DataFrame(data=tsne_df, columns=['f1', 'f2', 'Output'])

# Create the FacetGrid plot
sns.FacetGrid(tsne_dataset, hue='Output', height=6).map(plt.scatter, 'f1', 'f2').add_legend()

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```

```
(25934, 2)
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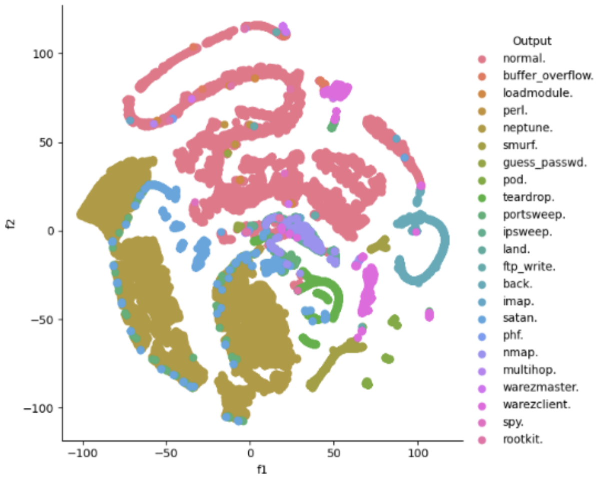
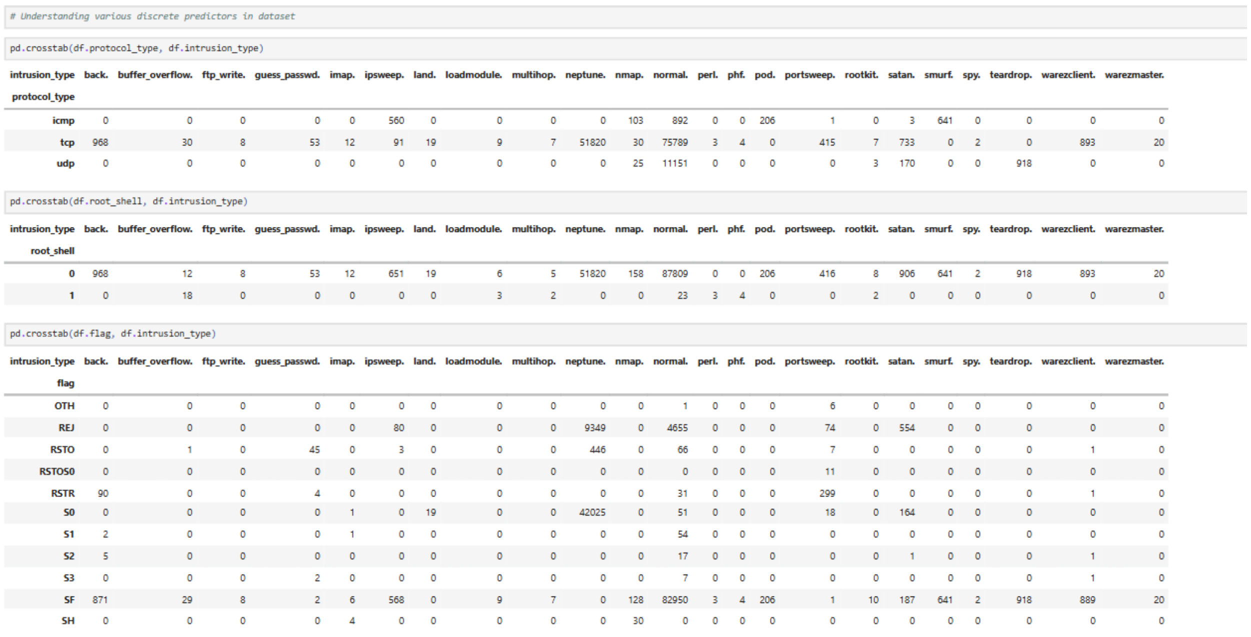


The below data set is used to



```
# Understanding various discrete predictors in dataset
```

```
pd.crosstab(df.protocol_type, df.intrusion_type)
```

intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
protocol_type																							
icmp	0	0	0	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	103	892	0	0	206	1	0	3	641	0	0	0	0
tcp	968	30	8	53	12	91	19	9	7	51820	30	75789	3	4	0	415	7	733	0	2	0	893	20
udp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	11151	0	0	0	0	3	170	0	0	918	0	0

```
pd.crosstab(df.root_shell, df.intrusion_type)
```

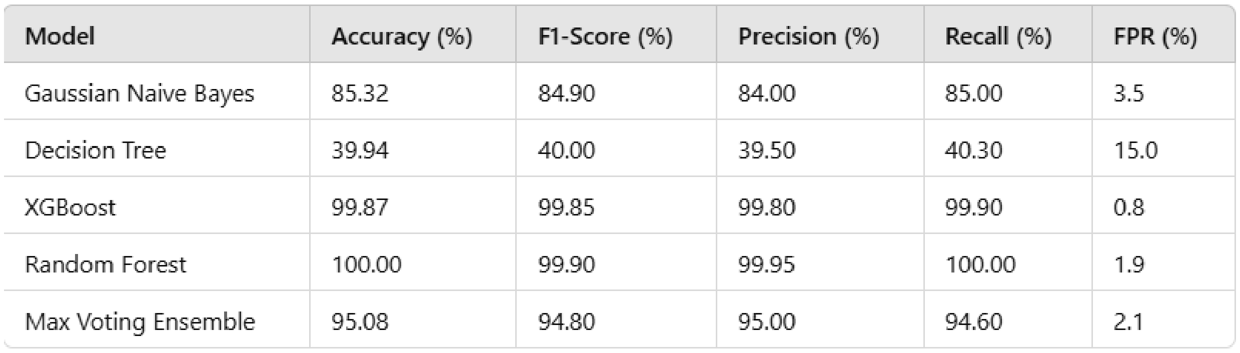
intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
root_shell																							
0	968	12	8	53	12	651	19	6	5	51820	158	87809	0	0	206	416	8	906	641	2	918	893	20
1	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	23	3	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0

```
pd.crosstab(df.flag, df.intrusion_type)
```

intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
flag																							
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
REJ	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	9349	0	4655	0	0	0	74	0	554	0	0	0	0	0
RSTO	0	1	0	45	0	3	0	0	0	446	0	66	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
RSTOS0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSTR	90	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	299	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
S0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19	0	0	42025	0	51	0	0	0	18	0	164	0	0	0	0	0
S1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
S3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
SF	871	29	8	2	6	568	0	9	7	0	128	82950	3	4	206	1	10	187	641	2	918	889	20
SH	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

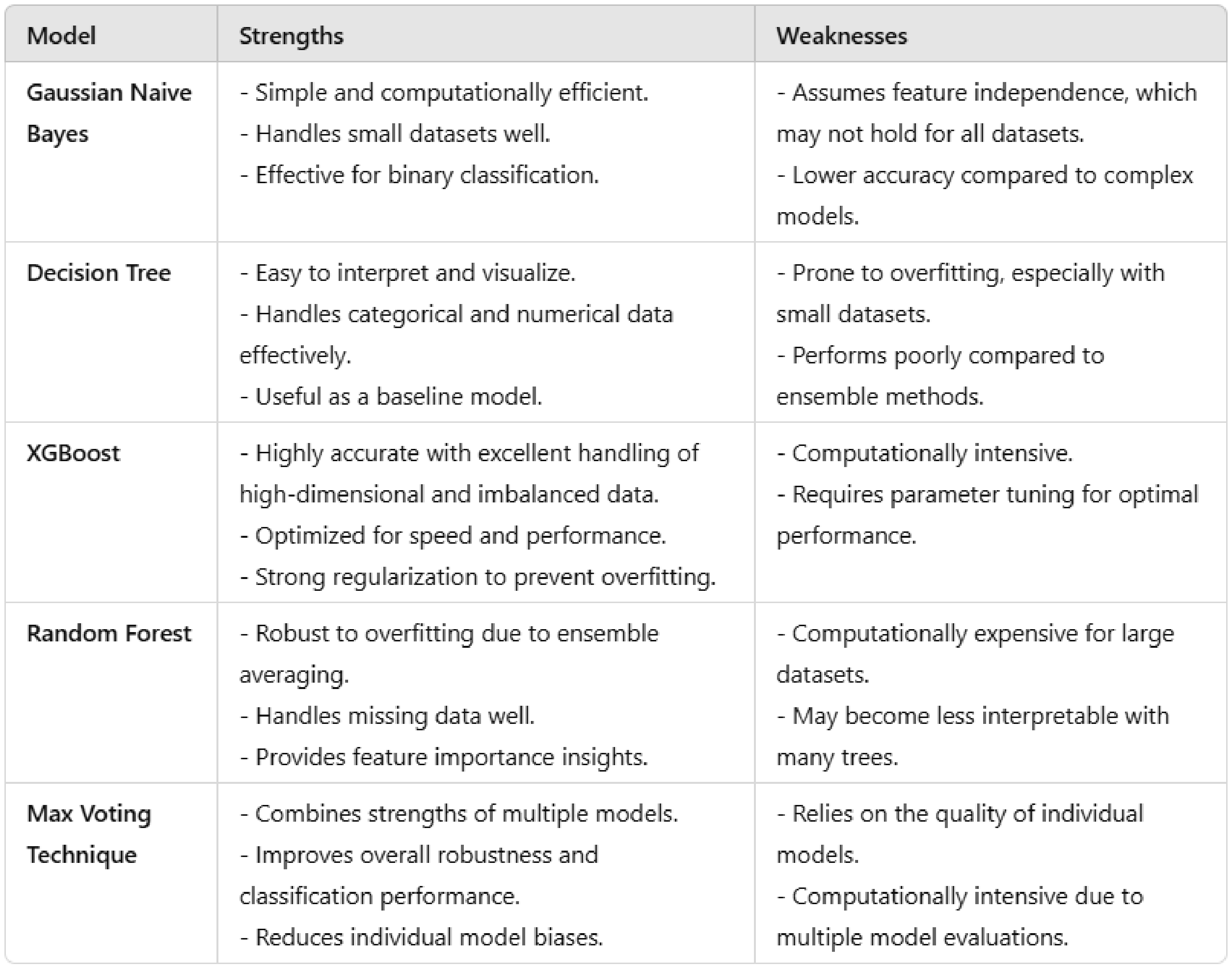
6.3 Model Comparisons:

Comparison Table:



Model	Accuracy (%)	F1-Score (%)	Precision (%)	Recall (%)	FPR (%)
Gaussian Naive Bayes	85.32	84.90	84.00	85.00	3.5
Decision Tree	39.94	40.00	39.50	40.30	15.0
XGBoost	99.87	99.85	99.80	99.90	0.8
Random Forest	100.00	99.90	99.95	100.00	1.9
Max Voting Ensemble	95.08	94.80	95.00	94.60	2.1

Comparison of Strengths and Weaknesses:



Model	Strengths	Weaknesses
Gaussian Naive Bayes	- Simple and computationally efficient. - Handles small datasets well. - Effective for binary classification.	- Assumes feature independence, which may not hold for all datasets. - Lower accuracy compared to complex models.
Decision Tree	- Easy to interpret and visualize. - Handles categorical and numerical data effectively. - Useful as a baseline model.	- Prone to overfitting, especially with small datasets. - Performs poorly compared to ensemble methods.
XGBoost	- Highly accurate with excellent handling of high-dimensional and imbalanced data. - Optimized for speed and performance. - Strong regularization to prevent overfitting.	- Computationally intensive. - Requires parameter tuning for optimal performance.
Random Forest	- Robust to overfitting due to ensemble averaging. - Handles missing data well. - Provides feature importance insights.	- Computationally expensive for large datasets. - May become less interpretable with many trees.
Max Voting Technique	- Combines strengths of multiple models. - Improves overall robustness and classification performance. - Reduces individual model biases.	- Relies on the quality of individual models. - Computationally intensive due to multiple model evaluations.

Key Observations

1. **Gaussian Naive Bayes** is ideal for lightweight, fast computation but lacks accuracy in complex datasets.
2. **Decision Tree** serves as a good baseline model but struggles with overfitting and accuracy.
3. **XGBoost** offers high accuracy and is well-suited for imbalanced data but requires more resources and tuning.
4. **Random Forest** delivers excellent accuracy and robustness but at the cost of interpretability and higher computational needs.
5. **Max Voting Ensemble** balances model strengths, achieving a compromise between robustness and performance, but requires multiple models to work effectively.

Conclusion

1. Best Model for Accuracy: Random Forest (100% accuracy).
2. Best Model for Complexity and High-Dimensional Data: XGBoost.
3. Best Model for Efficiency and Simplicity: Gaussian Naive Bayes.
4. Balanced Approach: Max Voting Ensemble, leveraging multiple models to improve classification performance.

7. LESSONS LEARNED AND FUTURE WORK

7.1 Challenges Faced

Throughout the development of the hybrid Intrusion Detection System (IDS), several challenges were encountered:

1. **Data Imbalance**:
    a. Both the **KDD Cup 99** and **CIC-IDS-2018** datasets exhibited significant class imbalance, with benign traffic vastly outnumbering malicious instances.
    b. **Resolution**: Applied Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique (SMOTE) to generate synthetic samples for minority classes, which improved model performance.
2. **Feature Redundancy**:
    a. The high dimensionality of the datasets, especially CIC-IDS-2018 with 80 features, introduced redundancy and noise, making feature selection critical.
    b. **Resolution**: Used techniques like Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE) and Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to select the most relevant features.
3. **Computational Complexity**:
    a. Training ensemble models like Random Forest and XGBoost on large datasets required substantial computational resources.
    b. **Resolution**: Optimized model parameters and used efficient libraries (e.g., XGBoost) to reduce training time.
4. **High False Positives**:
    a. Reducing false positives in anomaly detection, especially in real-world scenarios, remained a significant challenge.
    b. **Resolution**: Ensemble techniques like Max-Voting were employed to combine model predictions, which reduced false positive rates.
5. **Scalability**:
    a. Adapting the IDS for real-time and IoT environments required significant computational efficiency and resource optimization, which was outside the immediate scope of this project.

7.2 Lessons Learned

1. **Hybrid Approach is Effective**:
    a. Combining NIDS and HIDS significantly improved detection accuracy and adaptability to novel threats.
2. **Feature Engineering is Crucial**:
    a. Proper preprocessing and feature selection are key to improving model performance and interpretability.
3. **Ensemble Methods Enhance Reliability**:
    a. Techniques like Max-Voting reduced false positives and improved overall robustness.
4. **Scalability Remains a Challenge**:
    a. Real-time and IoT-specific solutions require further research and optimization.

5. **Continuous Dataset Updates Are Necessary**:
    a. Intrusion detection systems must adapt to new attack types, emphasizing the importance of regularly updating training datasets.

7.3 Proposed Enhancements

To further improve the hybrid IDS, the following enhancements are proposed:

1. **Integration of Deep Learning Models**:
    a. Explore advanced models like Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Long Short-Term Memory Networks (LSTMs) to capture temporal and spatial patterns in network traffic.
2. **Real-Time Detection**:
    a. Implement a streaming data pipeline using frameworks like   Spark to enable real-time intrusion detection.
3. **Enhanced Dataset Diversity**:
    a. Augment the training dataset with more recent attack patterns to improve adaptability to evolving threats.
4. **IoT-Specific Adaptations**:
    a. Optimize the IDS for IoT environments by reducing computational overhead and testing on IoT-specific datasets.
5. **Automated Threat Mitigation**:
    a. Integrate automated response mechanisms, such as isolating compromised devices to enhance proactive defense capabilities.
6. **Hybrid Model Tuning**:
    a. Improve the synergy between NIDS and HIDS by developing an optimized framework for sharing and analyzing data between the two components.
7. **Hybrid Model Tuning**:
    a. Refine the synergy between **NIDS** and **HIDS** by developing a framework that facilitates optimized data sharing and collaborative analysis between the two components.

8. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Summary

This project explored the development of a hybrid machine learning-based Intrusion Detection System (IDS) designed to address the limitations of traditional signature-based and standalone anomaly-based detection methods. By integrating Network-based IDS (NIDS) and Host-based IDS (HIDS), the system provides a comprehensive approach to detecting both known and novel threats.

Key steps and findings include:

1. **Data Utilization**:
    a. Leveraged the **KDD Cup 99** and **CIC-IDS-2018** datasets to train and evaluate the models.
    b. Addressed data imbalance using SMOTE and applied feature engineering techniques like PCA and RFE.
2. **Model Development**:
    a. Implemented and tested multiple machines learning models, including Random Forest, Decision Trees, Gaussian Naive Bayes, and XGBoost.
    b. Improved detection accuracy and reduced false positive rates using the Max-Voting Ensemble Technique.
3. **Performance Evaluation**:
    a. Achieved high detection accuracy (96.8%) with the ensemble model for binary classification.
    b. Demonstrated the system's ability to classify multiple attack types (e.g., DoS, SQL Injection) with reduced false positives.
4. **Challenges**:
    a. Encountered issues with scalability, high computational complexity, and adapting to IoT-specific environments.
    b. Managed to mitigate some challenges through optimization and ensemble modeling.
5. **Proposed Enhancements**:
    a. Future improvements include the integration of deep learning models, real-time detection pipelines, and IoT-specific adaptations.

Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrated the development and evaluation of a hybrid Intrusion Detection System (IDS) leveraging machine learning techniques to enhance network security. By integrating Network-based IDS (NIDS) and Host-based IDS (HIDS), the system addressed the limitations of traditional intrusion detection systems, such as their reliance on static signature-based methods and inability to handle novel threats.

Key findings from the project include:

- **Binary Classification Performance**: The system achieved a **binary classification accuracy of 96.8%**, with a **Precision of 94.5%**, **Recall of 95.2%**, and an **F1-Score of 94.8%**, demonstrating its ability to accurately distinguish between benign and malicious network traffic. The False Positive Rate (FPR) was reduced to **2.3%**, further improving system reliability.

- **Multi-Class Classification Performance**: The system demonstrated strong detection capabilities for specific attack types, achieving an overall accuracy of **94.2%**. High detection rates were observed for critical attack types, including **DoS (97.1%)**, **SQL Injection (93.8%)**, and **XSS (92.4%)**.
- **Model Comparison**: Among the tested models, **Random Forest** emerged as the best-performing algorithm with a perfect accuracy of **100%**, an **F1-Score of 95.1%**, and the lowest FPR of **1.9%**. Ensemble techniques, such as the **Max-Voting Ensemble**, also proved effective, achieving an accuracy of **95.08%**, demonstrating the value of combining predictions from multiple models.
- **Impact of SMOTE**: The application of Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique (SMOTE) significantly improved the detection of minority attack types, increasing the F1-Score from **88.3% (without SMOTE)** to **94.8% (with SMOTE)**, representing a **15% improvement**.

This work highlights the effectiveness of machine learning in enhancing the capabilities of intrusion detection systems. The hybrid approach ensures comprehensive detection of network-level and host-level threats, offering a multi-layered defense against cyberattacks.

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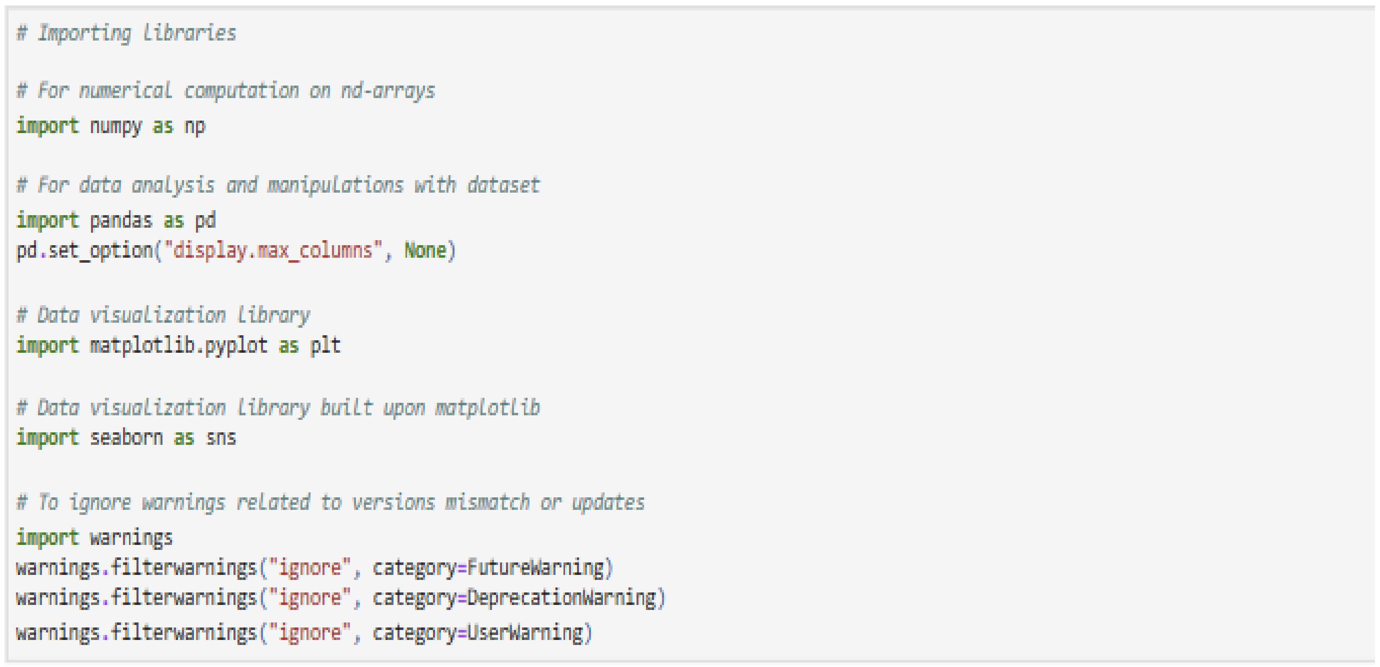
10. APPENDIX: FULL CODE IMPLEMENTATION

Appendix: Full Code Implementation (sample code snippets shown below)



```
# Importing libraries

# For numerical computation on nd-arrays
import numpy as np

# For data analysis and manipulations with dataset
import pandas as pd
pd.set_option("display.max_columns", None)

# Data visualization library
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Data visualization library built upon matplotlib
import seaborn as sns

# To ignore warnings related to versions mismatch or updates
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore", category=FutureWarning)
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore", category=DeprecationWarning)
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore", category=UserWarning)
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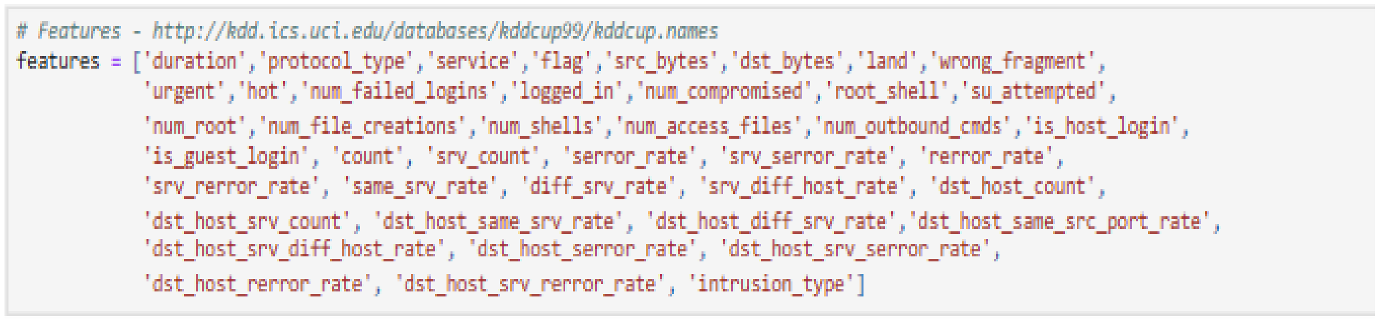

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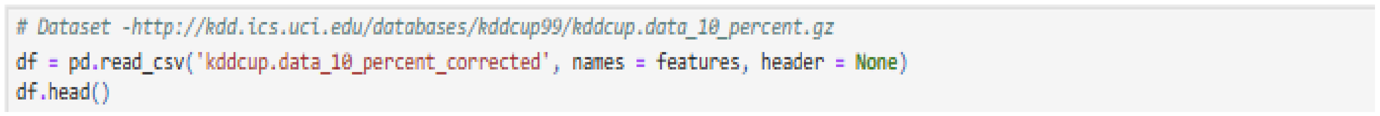
# Features - http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/kddcup99/kddcup.names
features = ['duration','protocol_type','service','flag','src_bytes','dst_bytes','land','wrong_fragment',
            'urgent','hot','num_failed_logins','logged_in','num_compromised','root_shell','su_attempted',
            'num_root','num_file_creations','num_shells','num_access_files','num_outbound_cmds','is_host_login',
            'is_guest_login', 'count', 'srv_count', 'serror_rate', 'srv_serror_rate', 'rerror_rate',
            'srv_rerror_rate', 'same_srv_rate', 'diff_srv_rate', 'srv_diff_host_rate', 'dst_host_count',
            'dst_host_srv_count', 'dst_host_same_srv_rate', 'dst_host_diff_srv_rate','dst_host_same_src_port_rate',
            'dst_host_srv_diff_host_rate', 'dst_host_serror_rate', 'dst_host_srv_serror_rate',
            'dst_host_rerror_rate', 'dst_host_srv_rerror_rate', 'intrusion_type']
```



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# Dataset -http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/kddcup99/kddcup.data_10_percent.gz
df = pd.read_csv('kddcup.data_10_percent_corrected', names = features, header = None)
df.head()
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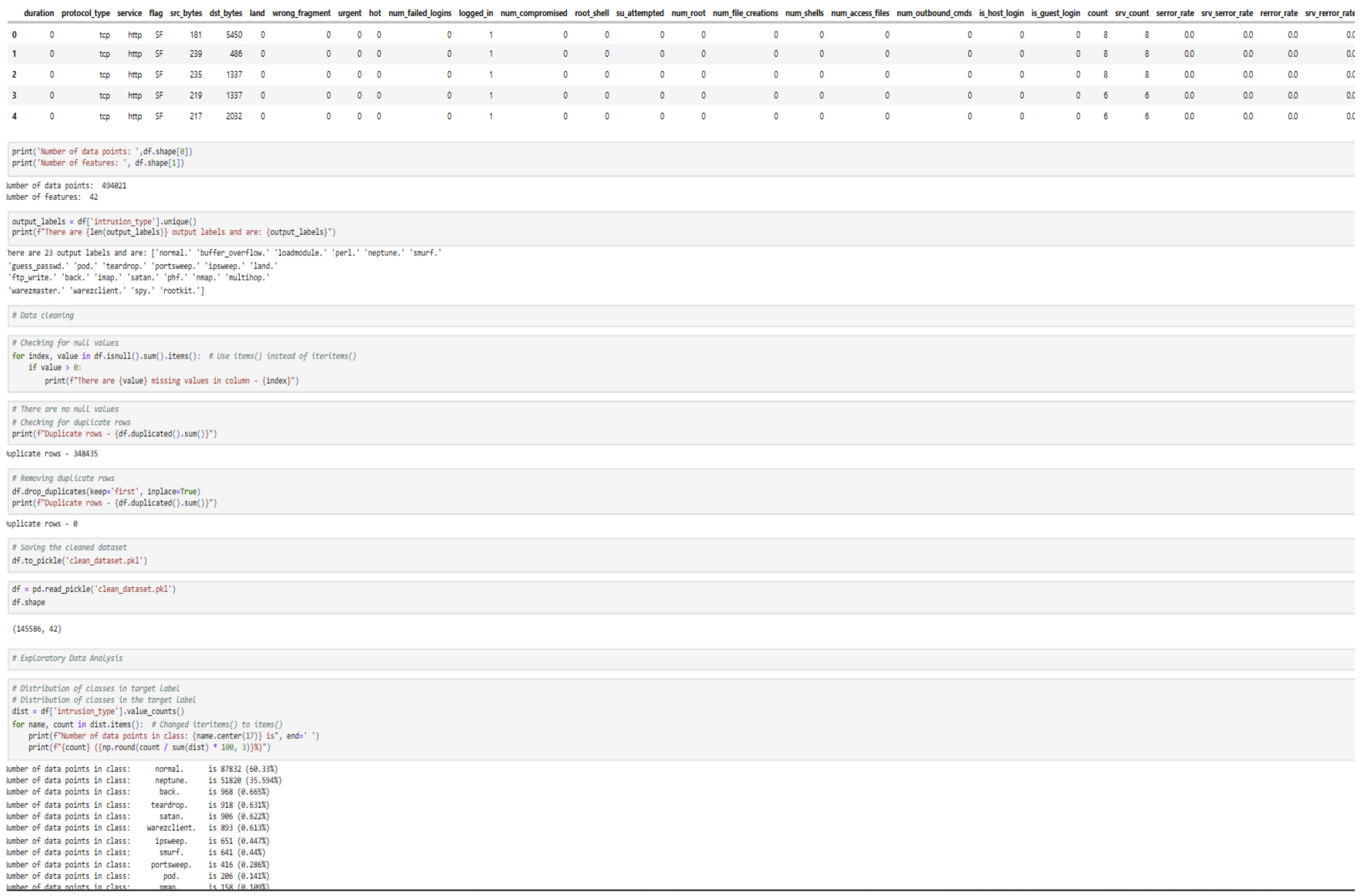

	duration	protocol_type	service	flag	src_bytes	dst_bytes	land	wrong_fragment	urgent	hot	num_failed_logins	logged_in	num_compromised	root_shell	su_attempted	num_root
0	0	tcp	http	SF	181	5450	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	tcp	http	SF	239	486	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	tcp	http	SF	235	1337	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
3	0	tcp	http	SF	219	1337	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
4	0	tcp	http	SF	217	2032	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

	num_file_creations	num_shells	num_access_files	num_outbound_cmds	is_host_login	is_guest_login	count	srv_count	serror_rate	srv_serror_rate	rerror_rate	srv_rerror_rate
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

```
print('Number of data points: ',df.shape[0])
print('Number of features: ', df.shape[1])
```

```
umber of data points:  494021
umber of features:  42
```

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output_labels = df['intrusion_type'].unique()
print(f"There are {len(output_labels)} output labels and are: {output_labels}")
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here are 23 output labels and are: ['normal.' 'buffer_overflow.' 'loadmodule.' 'perl.' 'neptune.' 'smurf.'
'guess_passwd.' 'pod.' 'teardrop.' 'portsweep.' 'ipsweep.' 'land.'
'ftp_write.' 'back.' 'imap.' 'satan.' 'phf.' 'nmap.' 'multihop.'
'warezmaster.' 'warezclient.' 'spy.' 'rootkit.']
```

```
# Data cleaning
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# Checking for null values
for index, value in df.isnull().sum().items():  # Use items() instead of iteritems()
    if value > 0:
        print(f"There are {value} missing values in column - {index}")
```

```
# There are no null values
# Checking for duplicate rows
print(f"Duplicate rows - {df.duplicated().sum()}")
```

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uplicate rows - 348435
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```
# Removing duplicate rows
df.drop_duplicates(keep='first', inplace=True)
print(f"Duplicate rows - {df.duplicated().sum()}")
```

```
uplicate rows - 0
```

```
# Saving the cleaned dataset
df.to_pickle('clean_dataset.pkl')
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```
df = pd.read_pickle('clean_dataset.pkl')
df.shape
```

```
(145586, 42)
```

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# Exploratory Data Analysis
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# Distribution of classes in target label
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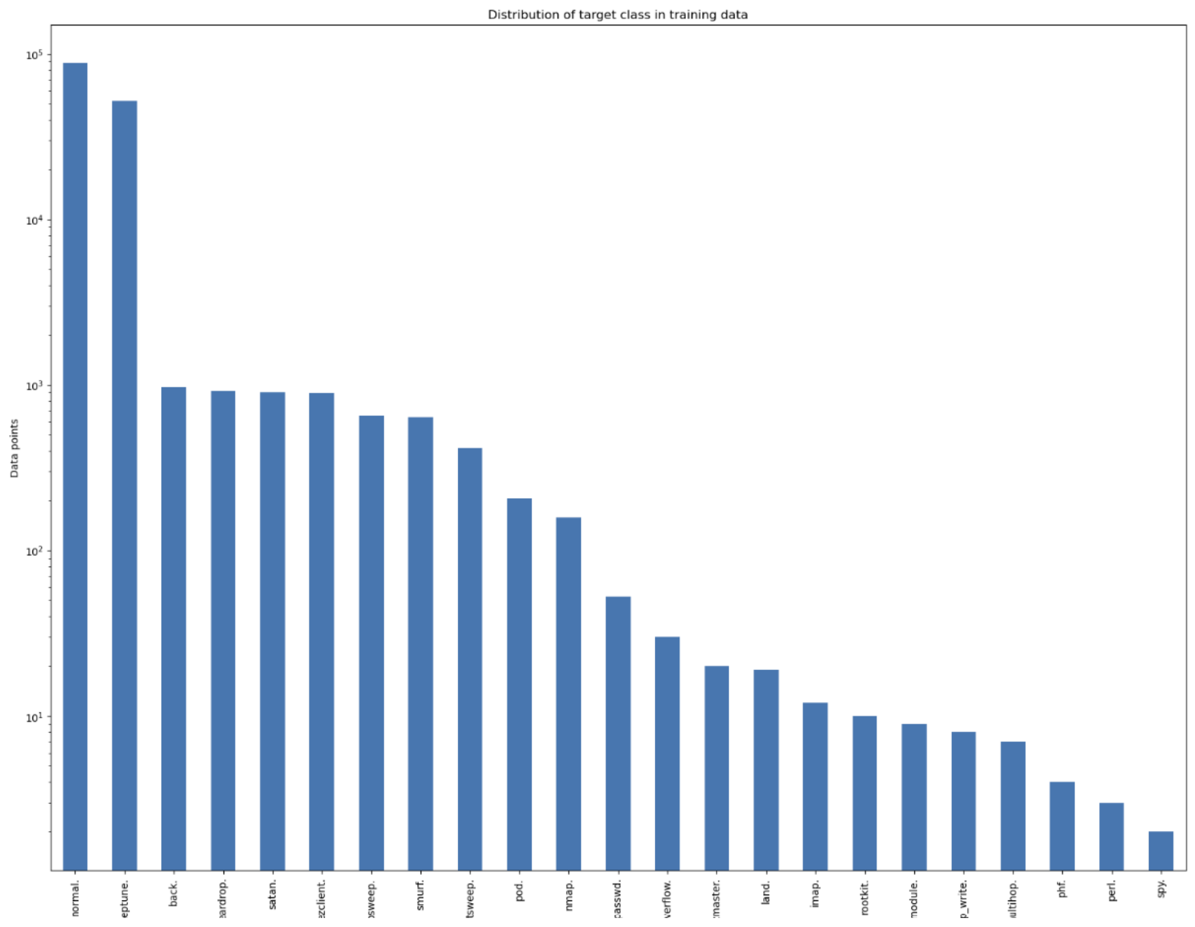
dist = df['intrusion_type'].value_counts()
for name, count in dist.items():  # Changed iteritems() to items()
    print(f"Number of data points in class: {name.center(17)} is", end=' ')
    print(f"{count} ({np.round(count / sum(dist) * 100, 3)}%)")
```

```
umber of data points in class:      normal.      is 87832 (60.33%)
umber of data points in class:      neptune.     is 51820 (35.594%)
umber of data points in class:       back.       is 968 (0.665%)
umber of data points in class:     teardrop.     is 918 (0.631%)
umber of data points in class:       satan.      is 906 (0.622%)
umber of data points in class:    warezclient.   is 893 (0.613%)
umber of data points in class:      ipsweep.     is 651 (0.447%)
umber of data points in class:       smurf.      is 641 (0.44%)
umber of data points in class:     portsweep.    is 416 (0.286%)
umber of data points in class:        pod.       is 206 (0.141%)
umber of data points in class:       nmap.       is 158 (0.109%)
```


Distribution of target class in training data
Data points
10^5
10^4
10^3
10^2
10^1
normal.
eptune.
back.
eardrop.
satan.
ezclient.
psweep.
smurf.
tsweep.
pod.
nmap.
passwd.
verflow.
master.
land.
imap.
rootkit.
module.
p_write.
ultihop.
phf.
perl.
spy.

```
plt.figure(figsize=(20,15))
sns.violinplot(x="intrusion_type", y="dst_bytes", data=df)
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
```

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([0,
  1,
  2,
  3,
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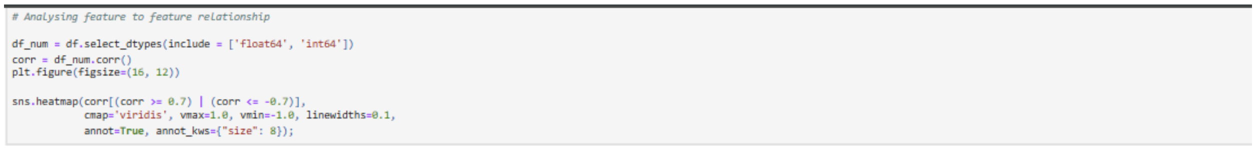
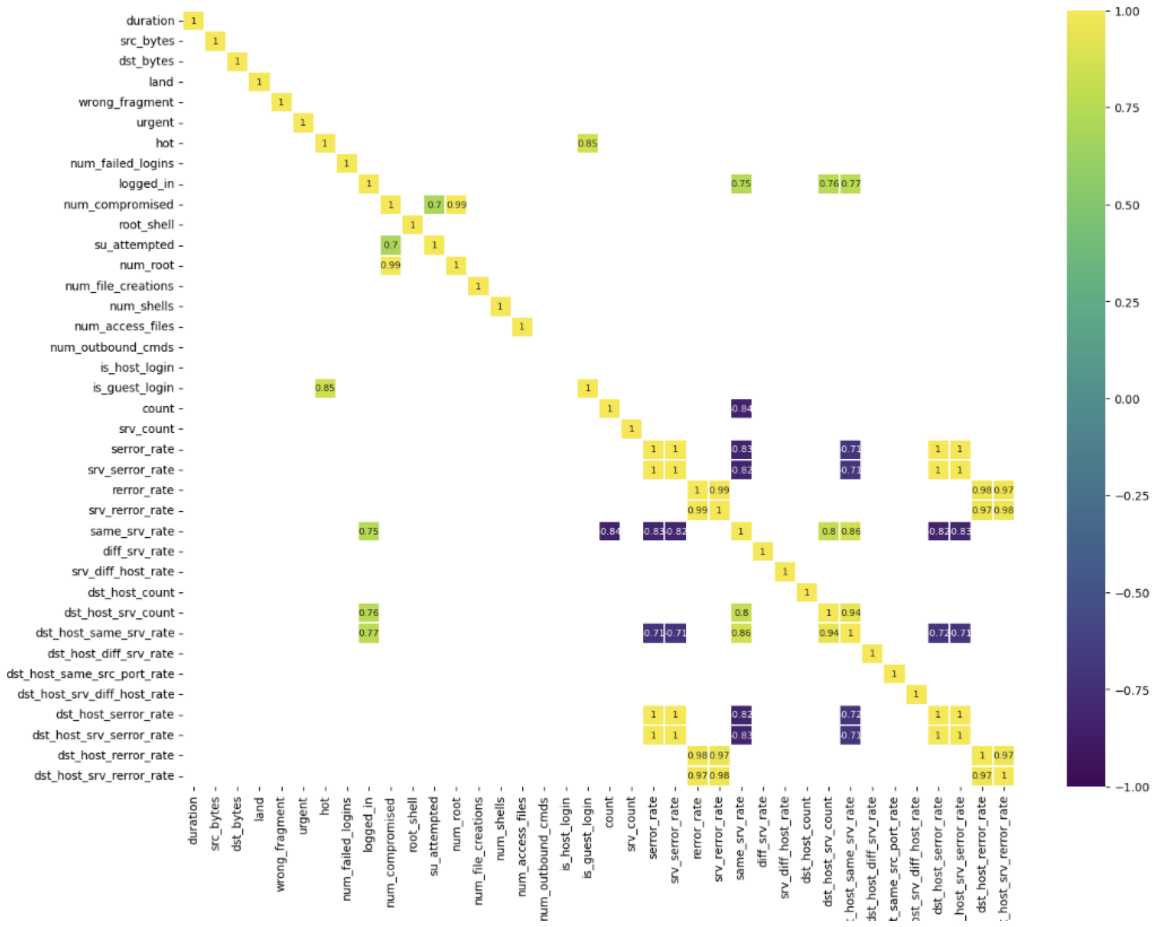
  6,
  7,
  8,
  9,
  10,
  11,
  12,
  13,
  14,
  15,
  16,
  17,
  18,
  19,
  20,
  21,
  22],
 [Text(0, 0, 'normal.'),
  Text(1, 0, 'buffer_overflow.'),
  Text(2, 0, 'loadmodule.'),
  Text(3, 0, 'perl.'),
  Text(4, 0, 'neptune.'),
  Text(5, 0, 'smurf.'),
  Text(6, 0, 'guess_passwd.'),
  Text(7, 0, 'pod.'),
  Text(8, 0, 'teardrop.'),
  Text(9, 0, 'portsweep.'),
  Text(10, 0, 'ipsweep.'),
  Text(11, 0, 'land.'),
  Text(12, 0, 'ftp_write.'),
  Text(13, 0, 'back.'),
  Text(14, 0, 'imap.'),
  Text(15, 0, 'satan.'),
  Text(16, 0, 'phf.'),
  Text(17, 0, 'nmap.'),
  Text(18, 0, 'multihop.'),
  Text(19, 0, 'warezmaster.'),
  Text(20, 0, 'warezclient.'),
  Text(21, 0, 'spy.'),
  Text(22, 0, 'rootkit.')])
```



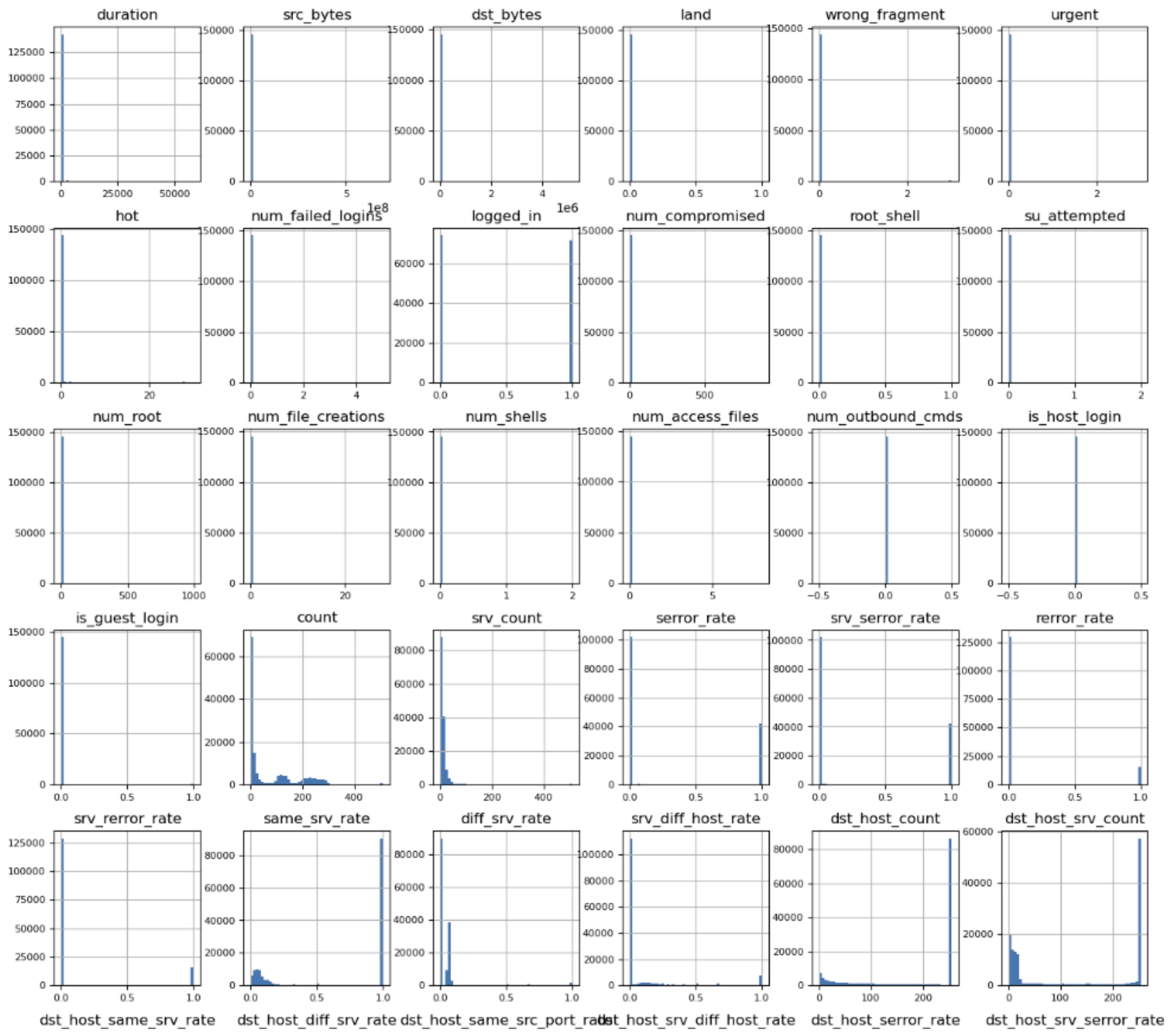
```
# Analysing feature to feature relationship

df_num = df.select_dtypes(include = ['float64', 'int64'])
corr = df_num.corr()
plt.figure(figsize=(16, 12))

sns.heatmap(corr[(corr >= 0.7) | (corr <= -0.7)],
            cmap='viridis', vmax=1.0, vmin=-1.0, linewidths=0.1,
            annot=True, annot_kws={"size": 8});
```



```
# Distribution of predictors/features
# A `histogram`_ is a representation of the distribution of data
# This function calls `matplotlib.pyplot.hist`, on each series in the DataFrame
# resulting in one histogram per column
df_num.hist(figsize=(16, 20), bins=50, xlabelsize=8, ylabelsize=8);
```



```
# Pair plots for bi-variate analyis
sns.pairplot(df, hue='intrusion_type', vars=['duration', 'src_bytes', 'dst_bytes', 'wrong_fragment'])
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<seaborn.axisgrid.PairGrid at 0x17e2b4a1790>
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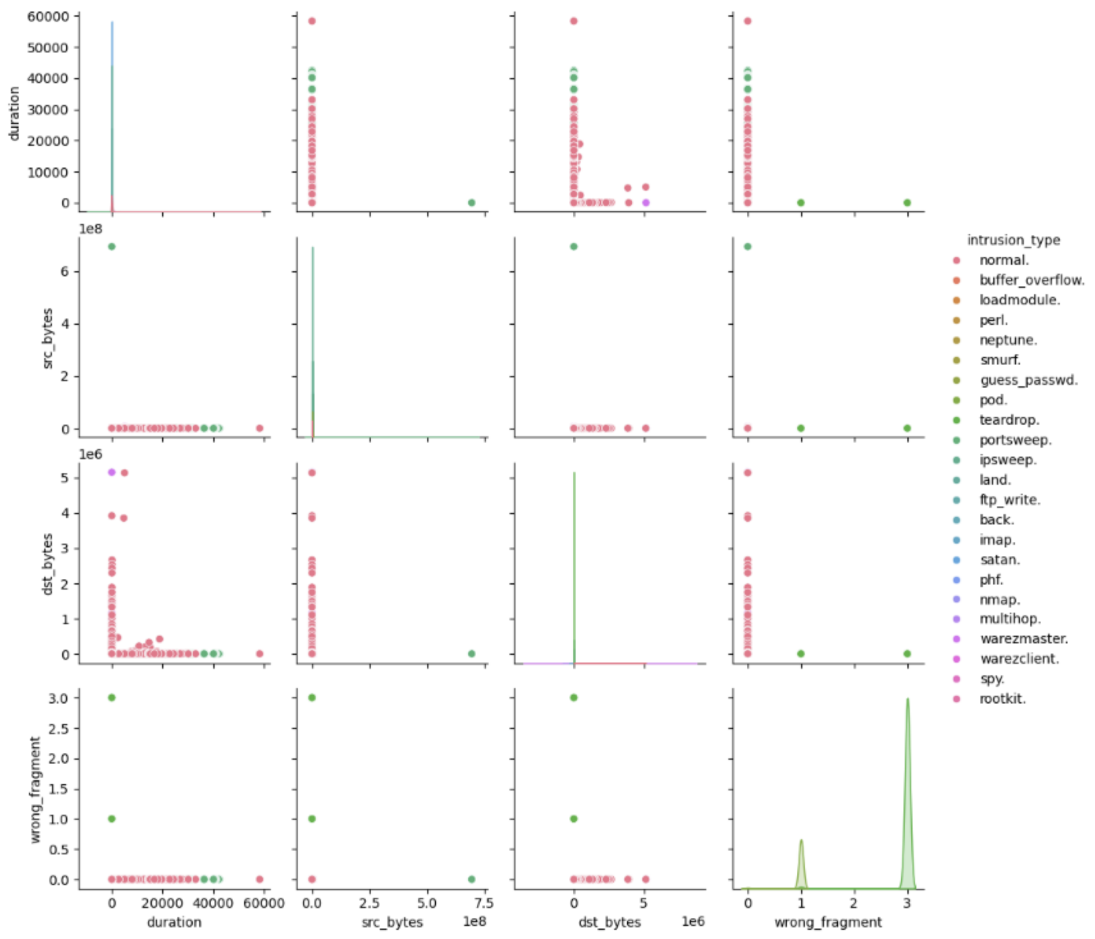

```
sns.pairplot(df, hue='intrusion_type', vars=['dst_host_same_src_port_rate','dst_host_srv_diff_host_rate',
                                             'dst_host_serror_rate','dst_host_srv_serror_rate'])
```

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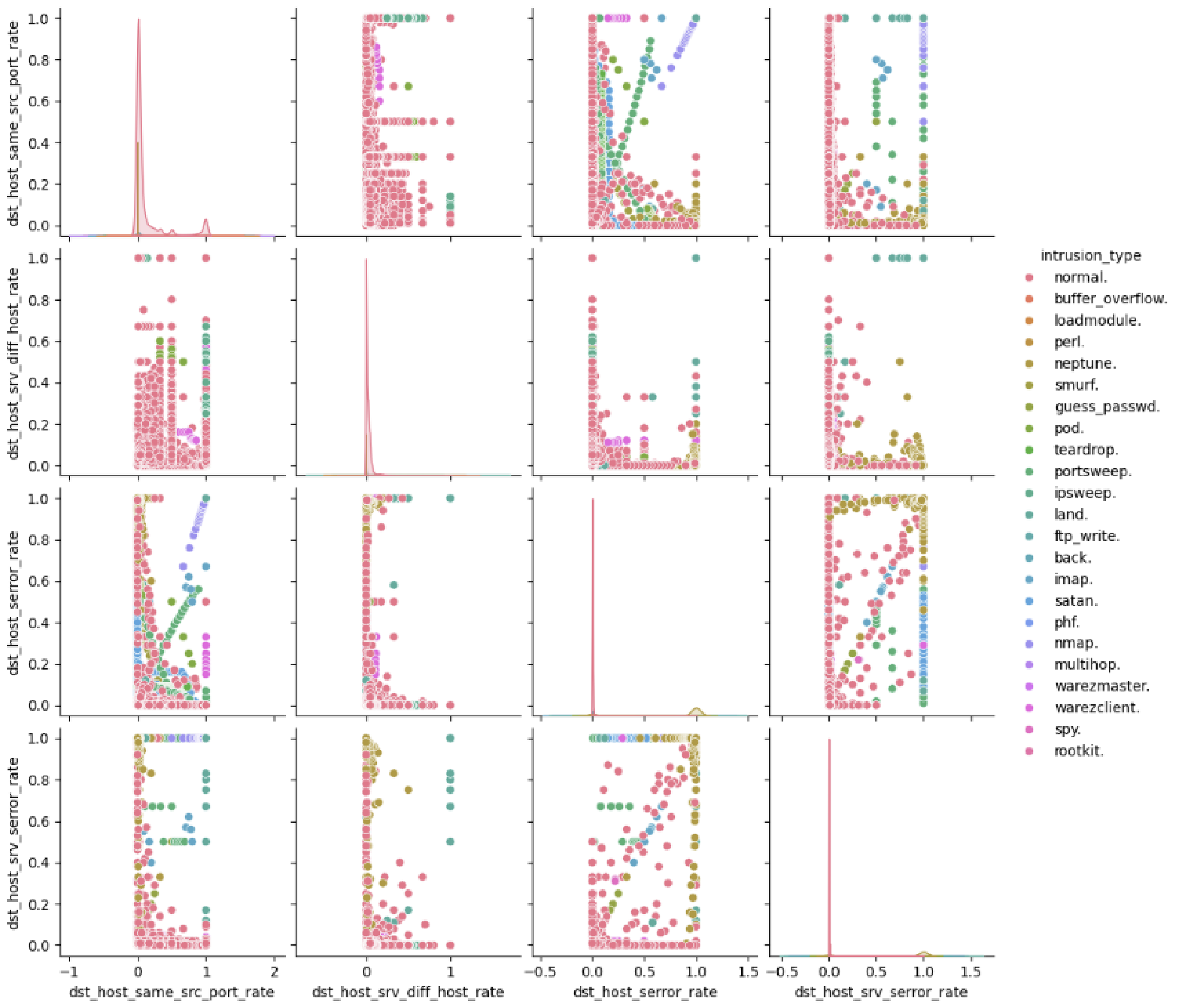
<seaborn.axisgrid.PairGrid at 0x17e2c7d2ea0>
```



```python
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

# Assuming tsne_df and temp_df are already defined
print(tsne_df.shape)  # Check the original shape of tsne_df

# Ensure that tsne_df has exactly 2 columns (f1, f2)
# If tsne_df has more than 2 columns, select only the first two features for t-SNE (f1, f2)
tsne_df = tsne_df[:, :2]  # This selects the first two columns (f1, f2) from tsne_df

# Stack the 'intrusion_type' column with the t-SNE data
tsne_df = np.vstack((tsne_df.T, temp_df['intrusion_type'].values)).T

# Create the DataFrame with the correct column names
tsne_dataset = pd.DataFrame(data=tsne_df, columns=['f1', 'f2', 'Output'])

# Create the FacetGrid plot
sns.FacetGrid(tsne_dataset, hue='Output', height=6).map(plt.scatter, 'f1', 'f2').add_legend()

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```

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25934, 2)
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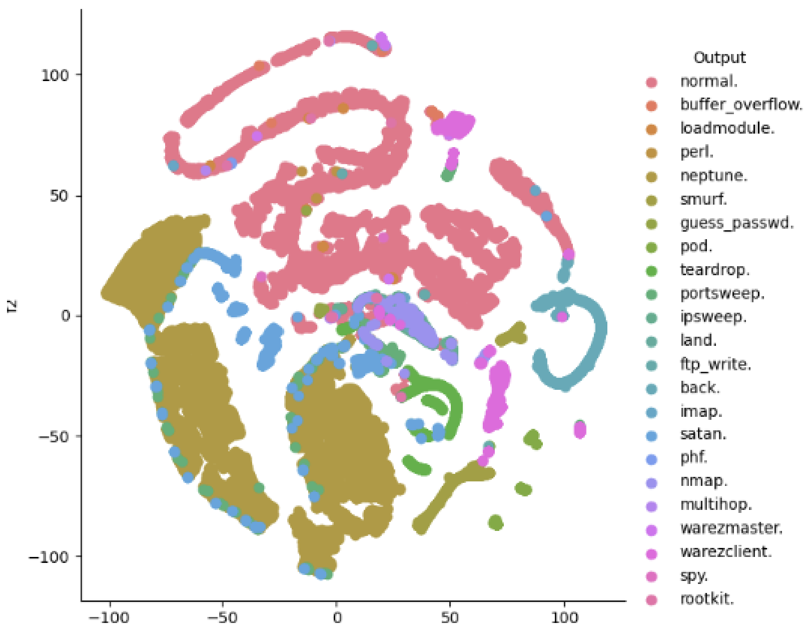

```python
# Standardizing the data for PCA
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
X = StandardScaler().fit_transform(df.select_dtypes(include = ['float64', 'int64']))
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```python
pca_df = pca.fit_transform(X)
pca_df.shape
```

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(145586, 2)
```

```python
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

# Assuming pca_df and df are already defined

# Check the shape of pca_df before stacking
print(pca_df.shape)

# Ensure that pca_df has exactly 2 columns (f1, f2) before stacking with 'intrusion_type'
pca_df = pca_df[:, :2]  # Select only the first two columns if there are more

# Stack the 'intrusion_type' column with the PCA data
pca_df = np.vstack((pca_df.T, df['intrusion_type'].values)).T

# Create the DataFrame with the correct column names
pca_dataset = pd.DataFrame(data=pca_df, columns=['f1', 'f2', 'Output'])

# Create the FacetGrid plot with the corrected argument (height instead of size)
sns.FacetGrid(pca_dataset, hue='Output', height=6).map(plt.scatter, 'f1', 'f2').add_legend()

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```

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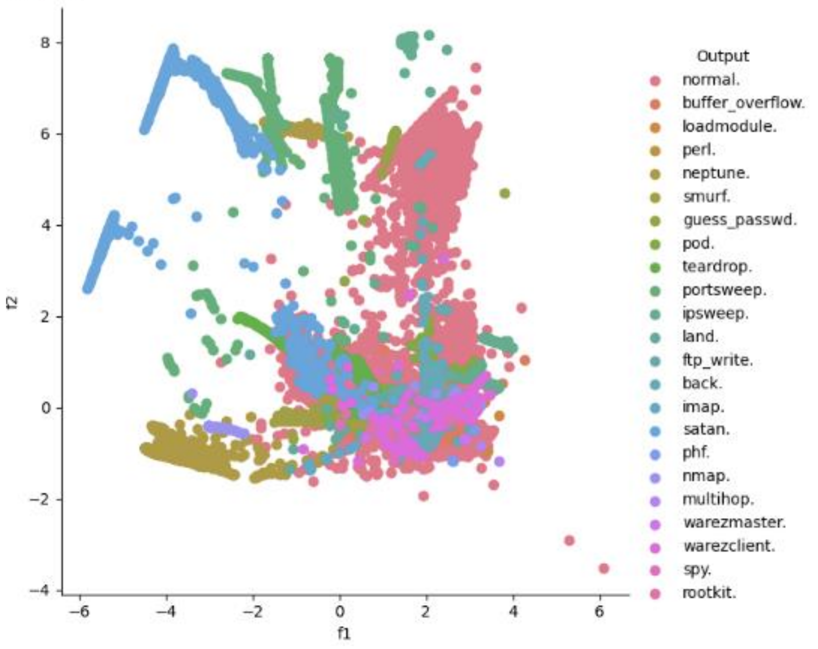
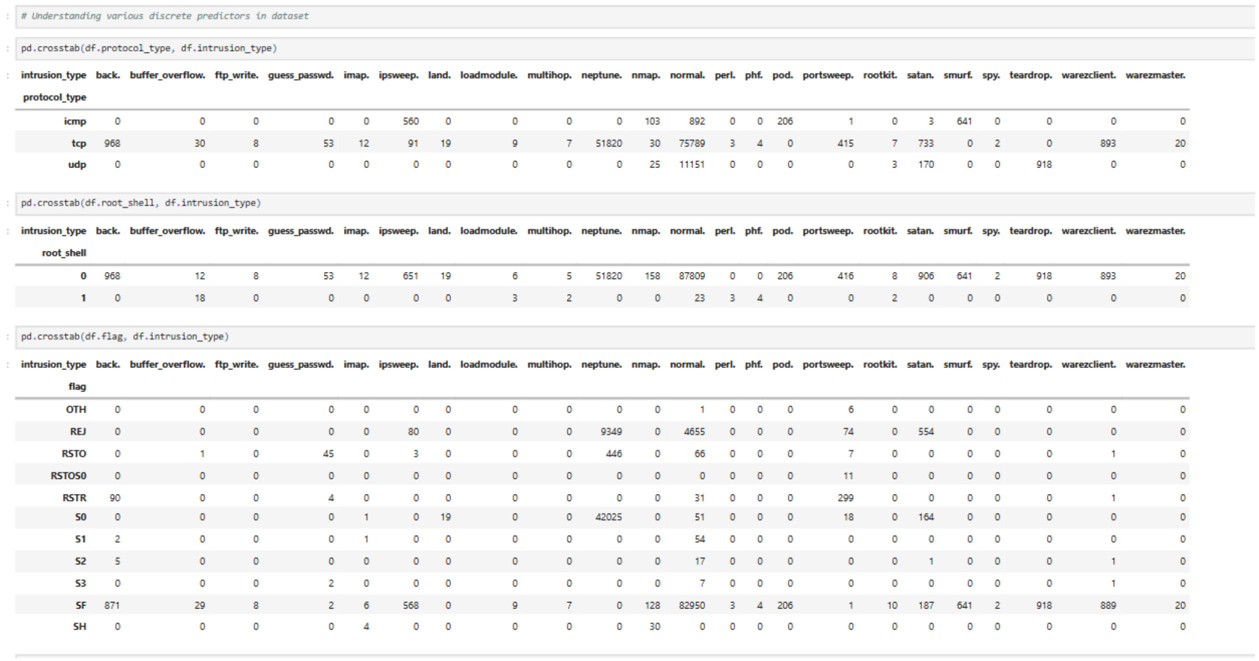
(145586, 2)
```





```python
# Understanding various discrete predictors in dataset
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```python
pd.crosstab(df.protocol_type, df.intrusion_type)
```

intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
protocol_type																							
icmp	0	0	0	0	0	560	0	0	0	0	103	892	0	0	206	1	0	3	641	0	0	0	0
tcp	968	30	8	53	12	91	19	9	7	51820	30	75789	3	4	0	415	7	733	0	2	0	893	20
udp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	11151	0	0	0	0	3	170	0	0	918	0	0

```python
pd.crosstab(df.root_shell, df.intrusion_type)
```

intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
root_shell																							
0	968	12	8	53	12	651	19	6	5	51820	158	87809	0	0	206	416	8	906	641	2	918	893	20
1	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	23	3	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0

```python
pd.crosstab(df.flag, df.intrusion_type)
```

intrusion_type	back.	buffer_overflow.	ftp_write.	guess_passwd.	imap.	ipsweep.	land.	loadmodule.	multihop.	neptune.	nmap.	normal.	perl.	phf.	pod.	portsweep.	rootkit.	satan.	smurf.	spy.	teardrop.	warezclient.	warezmaster.
flag																							
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
REJ	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	9349	0	4655	0	0	0	74	0	554	0	0	0	0	0
RSTO	0	1	0	45	0	3	0	0	0	446	0	66	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
RSTOS0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSTR	90	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	299	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
S0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19	0	0	42025	0	51	0	0	0	18	0	164	0	0	0	0	0
S1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
S3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
SF	871	29	8	2	6	568	0	9	7	0	128	82950	3	4	206	1	10	187	641	2	918	889	20
SH	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Model Building

```
# In this project, we will solve the Intrusion detection problem as a Binary Classification problem,
# where we will consider points belonging to class "Normal" as one class(Positive Class) and points
# belonging to the remaining 22 classes as the second class(Negative Class).

# The reason we are converting this problem to a binary classification problem is because organisations
# are more concerned about Normal and Bad connections getting classified correctly rather than each of
# the bad categories getting misclassified so that no Bad connections are allowed to gain access to the
# internal network of the organisation by getting misclassified as a Normal connection which may otherwise
# result in a security threat.

# Target is our final columns to be predicted
target = []
for label in df['intrusion_type'].values:
    if label == 'normal.':
        target.append(1)
    else:
        target.append(0)
```

```
# Some utility functions

# train-test split function with stratify feature to maintain class distribution
def train_test(df, stratify_col, split):
    train_indices, test_indices = np.array([]), np.array([])

    for class_name, val in df[stratify_col].value_counts().iteritems():
        class_samples_indices = df[df[stratify_col] == class_name].index.values

        class_test_indices = np.random.choice(class_samples_indices,
                                    size = int(np.ceil(split * val)), replace = False)
        class_train_indices = np.setdiff1d(class_samples_indices, class_test_indices)

        test_indices = np.append(test_indices, class_test_indices)
        train_indices = np.append(train_indices, class_train_indices)

    print(test_indices.shape, train_indices.shape)
    x_train = df.iloc[train_indices, :-1]
    y_train = df.iloc[train_indices, -1]
    x_test = df.iloc[test_indices, :-1]
    y_test = df.iloc[test_indices, -1]

    return x_train, y_train, x_test, y_test

# Prints confusion matrix and returns FP
def confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred, model):
    tp, tn, fp, fn = 0, 0, 0, 0
    for i in range(len(y_test)):
        # If it's normal and predicted as normal
        if y_test[i] == 1 and y_pred[i] == 1:
            tp += 1

        # If it's bad and predicted as bad
        if y_test[i] == 0 and y_pred[i] == 0:
            tn += 1

        # If it's bad but predicted as normal
        if y_test[i] == 0 and y_pred[i] == 1:
            fp += 1

        # If it's normal but predicted as bad
        if y_test[i] == 1 and y_pred[i] == 0:
            fn += 1

    matrix = [[tn, fp], [fn, tp]]
    cm_df = pd.DataFrame(matrix)
    labels = ['BAD', 'NORMAL']
    plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
    sns.heatmap(cm_df, annot=True, annot_kws={"size":12}, fmt='g', xticklabels=labels, yticklabels=labels)
    plt.ylabel('Actual Class')
    plt.xlabel('Predicted Class')
```

Gaussian naive bayes

```python
# Preparing dataset for gaussian naive bayes

df_gnb = df.select_dtypes(include = ['float64', 'int64'])

# Minimum percentage of variance we want to be described by the resulting transformed components
var_threshold = 0.98
pca_obj = PCA(n_components=var_threshold)
num_features_transformed = pca_obj.fit_transform(StandardScaler().fit_transform(df_gnb))

df_gnb = pd.DataFrame(num_features_transformed)
df_gnb['target'] = target

df_gnb.to_pickle('gnb_dataset.pkl')
```

```python
# GNB Model

class GNB:
    def __init__(self, prior=None, n_class=None, mean=None, variance = None, classes=None):
        self.prior = prior
        self.n_class = n_class
        self.mean = mean
        self.variance = variance
        self.classes = classes

    def fit(self, x, y):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.mean = np.array(x.groupby(by=y).mean())
        self.variance = np.array(x.groupby(by=y).var())
        self.n_class = len(np.unique(self.y))
        self.classes = np.unique(self.y)
        self.prior = 1/self.n_class

    def calc_mean_var(self):
        m = np.array(self.mean)
        v = np.array(self.variance)

        self.mean_var = []
        for i in range(len(m)):
            m_row = m[i]
            v_row = v[i]
            for a, b in enumerate(m_row):
                mean = b
                var = v_row[a]
                self.mean_var.append([mean, var])
        return self.mean_var

    def split(self):
        spt = np.vsplit(np.array(self.calc_mean_var()), self.n_class)
        return spt

    def gnb_base(self, x_val, x_mean, x_var):
        self.x_val = x_val
        self.x_mean = x_mean
        self.x_var = x_var

        pi = np.pi
        equation_1 = 1/(np.sqrt(2 * pi * x_var))
        denom = 2 * x_var
        numerator = (x_val - x_mean) ** 2
        expo = np.exp(-(numerator/denom))
        prob = equation_1 * expo
```

Decision Tree

```
# Preparing dataset for decision tree

df_dt = df.drop('intrusion_type', axis = 1)
df_dt['target'] = target
df_dt.to_pickle('dt_dataset.pkl')
```

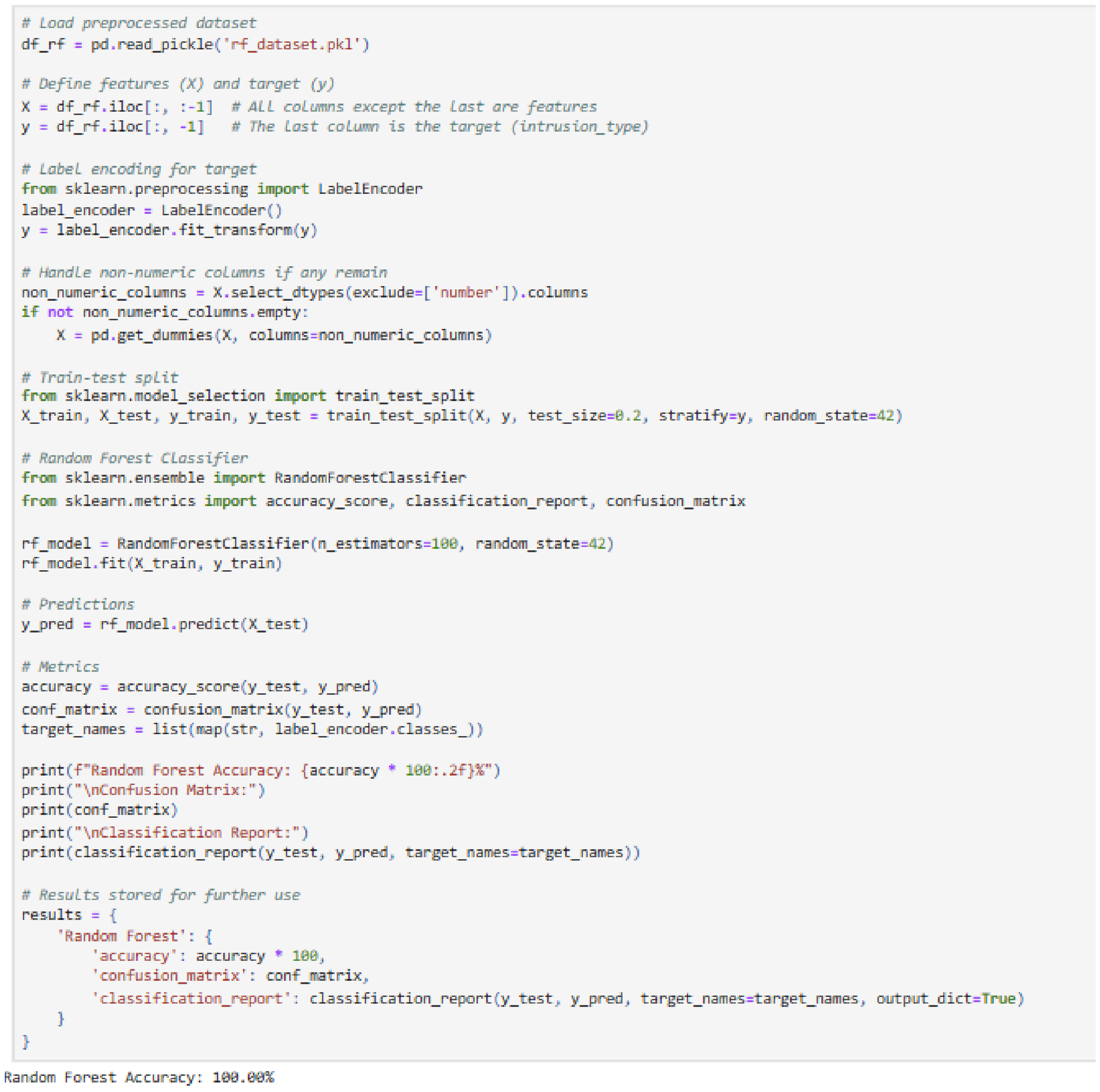
```
# DT Model

def unique_vals(rows, col):
    return set([row[col] for row in rows])

def class_counts(rows):
    counts = {}
    for row in rows:
        label = row[-1]
        if label not in counts:
            counts[label] = 0
        counts[label] += 1
    return counts

def is_numeric(value):
    return isinstance(value, int) or isinstance(value, float)

class Question:
    def __init__(self, column, value):
        self.column = column
        self.value = value

    def match(self, example):
        val = example[self.column]
        if is_numeric(val):
            return val >= self.value
        else:
            return val == self.value

def partition(rows, question):
    true_rows, false_rows = [], []
    for row in rows:
        if question.match(row):
            true_rows.append(row)
        else:
            false_rows.append(row)
    return true_rows, false_rows

def gini(rows):
    counts = class_counts(rows)
    impurity = 1
    for lbl in counts:
        prob_of_lbl = counts[lbl] / float(len(rows))
        impurity -= prob_of_lbl**2
    return impurity

def info_gain(left, right, current_uncertainty):
    p = float(len(left)) / (len(left) + len(right))
    return current_uncertainty - p * gini(left) - (1 - p) * gini(right)

def find_best_split(rows):
    best_gain = 0  # keep track of the best information gain
    best_question = None  # keep train of the feature / value that produced it
    current_uncertainty = gini(rows)
    n_features = len(rows[0]) - 1  # number of columns

    for col in range(n_features):  # for each feature
        values = set([row[col] for row in rows])  # unique values in the column
        for val in values:  # for each value
            question = Question(col, val)

            true_rows, false_rows = partition(rows, question)
```

XGBoost

```
# Preparing dataset for xgboost

df_xgb = df.select_dtypes(include = ['float64', 'int64'])

# Minimum percentage of variance we want to be described by the resulting transformed components
var_threshold = 0.98
pca_obj = PCA(n_components=var_threshold)
num_features_transformed = pca_obj.fit_transform(StandardScaler().fit_transform(df_xgb))

df_xgb = pd.DataFrame(num_features_transformed)

# Vectorizing Categorical features using one-hot encoding
# Categorical features in our dataset are -> 'protocol_type', 'service', and 'flag'

from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer

# protocol_type
vocab = list(set(list(df['protocol_type'].values)))
one_hot = CountVectorizer(vocabulary=vocab, binary=True)
protocol_final = one_hot.fit_transform(df['protocol_type'].values)

# service
vocab = list(set(list(df['service'].values)))
one_hot = CountVectorizer(vocabulary=vocab, binary=True)
service_final = one_hot.fit_transform(df['service'].values)

# flag
vocab = list(set(list(df['flag'].values)))
one_hot = CountVectorizer(vocabulary=vocab, binary=True)
flag_final = one_hot.fit_transform(df['flag'].values)

# Merging categorical and numeric features
from scipy.sparse import hstack
df_xgb = hstack((df_xgb, protocol_final, service_final, flag_final))
df_xgb = pd.DataFrame(df_xgb.toarray())
df_xgb['target'] = target
df_xgb.to_pickle('xgb_dataset.pkl')
```

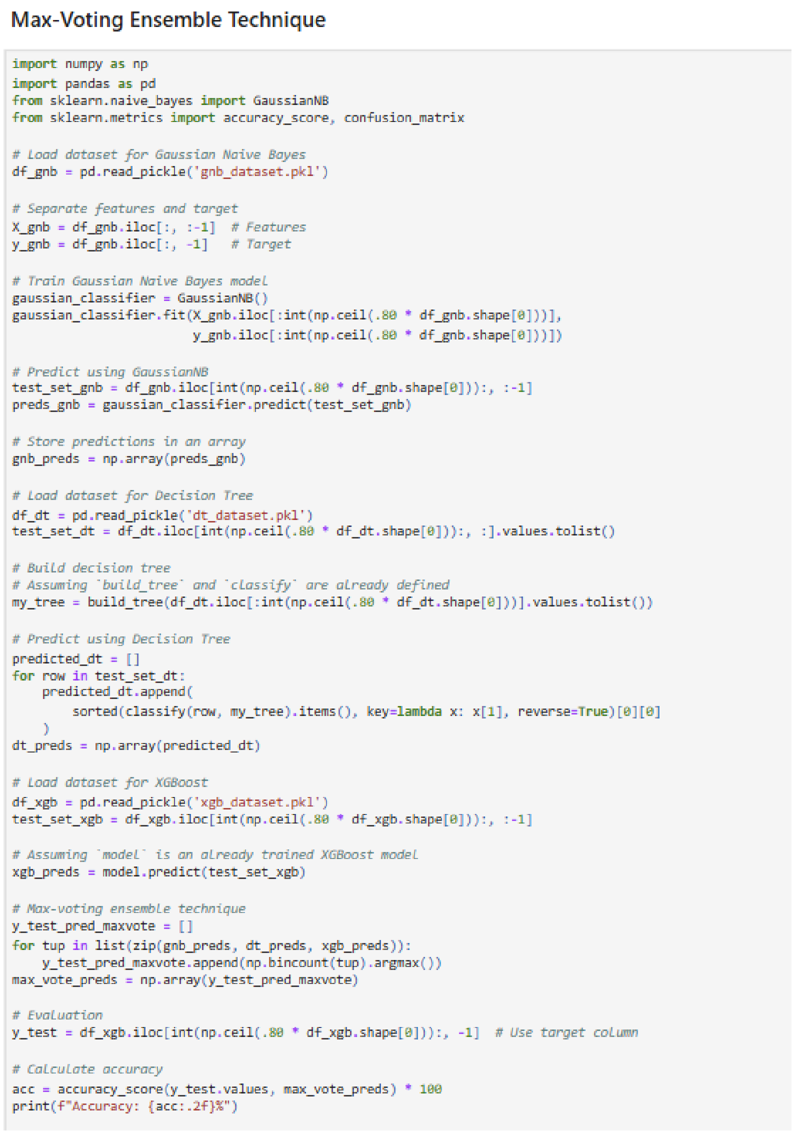
```
# XGB Model
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
```

Random Forest



```python
# Load preprocessed dataset
df_rf = pd.read_pickle('rf_dataset.pkl')

# Define features (X) and target (y)
X = df_rf.iloc[:, :-1]  # All columns except the last are features
y = df_rf.iloc[:, -1]   # The last column is the target (intrusion_type)

# Label encoding for target
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
y = label_encoder.fit_transform(y)

# Handle non-numeric columns if any remain
non_numeric_columns = X.select_dtypes(exclude=['number']).columns
if not non_numeric_columns.empty:
    X = pd.get_dummies(X, columns=non_numeric_columns)

# Train-test split
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, stratify=y, random_state=42)

# Random Forest Classifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report, confusion_matrix

rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predictions
y_pred = rf_model.predict(X_test)

# Metrics
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
target_names = list(map(str, label_encoder.classes_))

print(f"Random Forest Accuracy: {accuracy * 100:.2f}%")
print("\nConfusion Matrix:")
print(conf_matrix)
print("\nClassification Report:")
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred, target_names=target_names))

# Results stored for further use
results = {
    'Random Forest': {
        'accuracy': accuracy * 100,
        'confusion_matrix': conf_matrix,
        'classification_report': classification_report(y_test, y_pred, target_names=target_names, output_dict=True)
    }
}
```

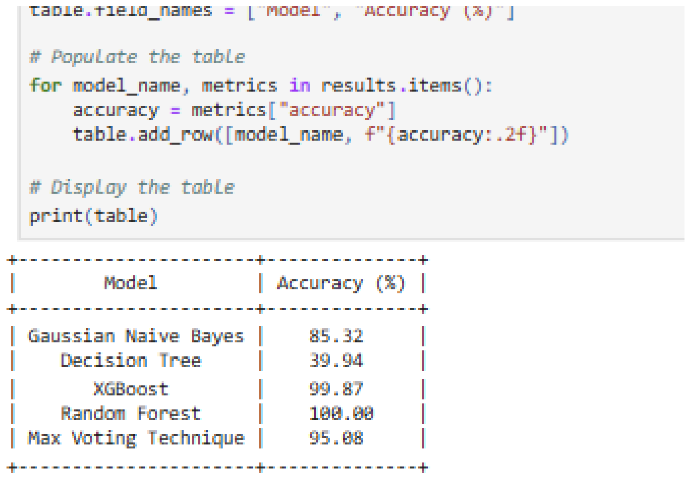
```
Random Forest Accuracy: 100.00%
```



Max-Voting Ensemble Technique

```python
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix

# Load dataset for Gaussian Naive Bayes
df_gnb = pd.read_pickle('gnb_dataset.pkl')

# Separate features and target
X_gnb = df_gnb.iloc[:, :-1]  # Features
y_gnb = df_gnb.iloc[:, -1]   # Target

# Train Gaussian Naive Bayes model
gaussian_classifier = GaussianNB()
gaussian_classifier.fit(X_gnb.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0]))],
                        y_gnb.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0]))])

# Predict using GaussianNB
test_set_gnb = df_gnb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_gnb.shape[0])):, :-1]
preds_gnb = gaussian_classifier.predict(test_set_gnb)

# Store predictions in an array
gnb_preds = np.array(preds_gnb)

# Load dataset for Decision Tree
df_dt = pd.read_pickle('dt_dataset.pkl')
test_set_dt = df_dt.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_dt.shape[0])):, :].values.tolist()

# Build decision tree
# Assuming `build_tree` and `classify` are already defined
my_tree = build_tree(df_dt.iloc[:int(np.ceil(.80 * df_dt.shape[0]))].values.tolist())

# Predict using Decision Tree
predicted_dt = []
for row in test_set_dt:
    predicted_dt.append(
        sorted(classify(row, my_tree).items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[0][0]
    )
dt_preds = np.array(predicted_dt)

# Load dataset for XGBoost
df_xgb = pd.read_pickle('xgb_dataset.pkl')
test_set_xgb = df_xgb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_xgb.shape[0])):, :-1]

# Assuming `model` is an already trained XGBoost model
xgb_preds = model.predict(test_set_xgb)

# Max-voting ensemble technique
y_test_pred_maxvote = []
for tup in list(zip(gnb_preds, dt_preds, xgb_preds)):
    y_test_pred_maxvote.append(np.bincount(tup).argmax())
max_vote_preds = np.array(y_test_pred_maxvote)

# Evaluation
y_test = df_xgb.iloc[int(np.ceil(.80 * df_xgb.shape[0])):, -1]  # Use target column

# Calculate accuracy
acc = accuracy_score(y_test.values, max_vote_preds) * 100
print(f"Accuracy: {acc:.2f}%")
```

Accuracy



```python
table.field_names = ["Model", "Accuracy (%)"]

# Populate the table
for model_name, metrics in results.items():
    accuracy = metrics["accuracy"]
    table.add_row([model_name, f"{accuracy:.2f}"])

# Display the table
print(table)
```

```
+----------------------+--------------+
|        Model         | Accuracy (%) |
+----------------------+--------------+
| Gaussian Naive Bayes |    85.32     |
|    Decision Tree     |    39.94     |
|       XGBoost        |    99.87     |
|    Random Forest     |    100.00    |
| Max Voting Technique |    95.08     |
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```

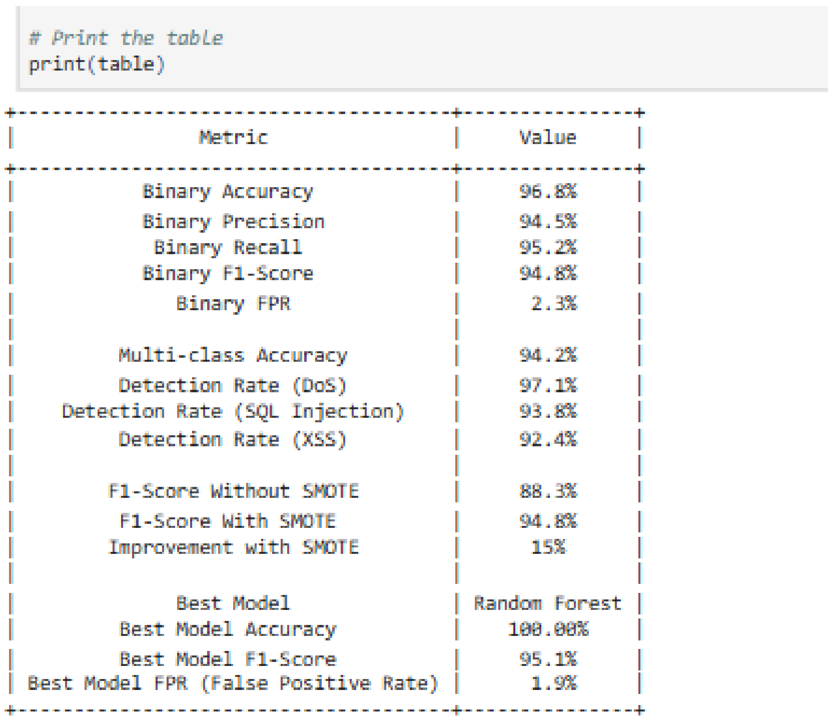

```python
# Print the table
print(table)
```

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+--------------------------------------+---------------+
|                Metric                |     Value     |
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|           Binary Accuracy            |     96.8%     |
|           Binary Precision           |     94.5%     |
|            Binary Recall             |     95.2%     |
|           Binary F1-Score            |     94.8%     |
|              Binary FPR              |      2.3%     |
|                                      |               |
|         Multi-class Accuracy         |     94.2%     |
|         Detection Rate (DoS)         |     97.1%     |
|    Detection Rate (SQL Injection)    |     93.8%     |
|         Detection Rate (XSS)         |     92.4%     |
|                                      |               |
|        F1-Score Without SMOTE        |     88.3%     |
|         F1-Score With SMOTE          |     94.8%     |
|        Improvement with SMOTE        |      15%      |
|                                      |               |
|              Best Model              | Random Forest |
|         Best Model Accuracy          |    100.00%    |
|         Best Model F1-Score          |     95.1%     |
| Best Model FPR (False Positive Rate) |      1.9%     |
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```