



Cyber Range Network Classification

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Chosen Dataset



UNSW
CANBERRA

- UNSW-NB15 Dataset
 - Raw network packets from Cyber Range Lab of UNSW Canberra
 - Nine malicious classes as well as benign
- We will be looking into the raw PCAP files for these attacks

1.pcap

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No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	2015/048 19:23:27.658518	175.45.176.3	149.171.126.16	IMAP	77	Request: a003 SELECT "INBOX"
2	2015/048 19:23:27.658559	175.45.176.3	149.171.126.16	TCP	77	[TCP Retransmission] 22592 → 143 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=16383 Len=21
3	2015/048 19:23:27.737404	149.171.126.16	175.45.176.3	IMAP	97	Response: a003 OK [READ-WRITE] SELECT
4	2015/048 19:23:27.737414	149.171.126.16	175.45.176.3	TCP	97	[TCP Retransmission] 143 → 22592 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=22 Win=16383 Len=41
5	2015/048 19:23:27.760103	175.45.176.0	149.171.126.16	TCP	64	62762 → 56430 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=16383 Len=0 MSS=9158 WS=1
6	2015/048 19:23:27.760112	175.45.176.0	149.171.126.16	TCP	64	[TCP Retransmission] 62762 → 56430 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=16383 Len=0 MSS=9158 WS=1
7	2015/048 19:23:27.800276	175.45.176.3	149.171.126.16	IMAP	84	Request: a004 FETCH 1:* (UID FLAGS)

Our Project Idea

- Use the 80 PCAP files to train a ML model that detects malicious or benign traffic
 - Fuzzers
 - Backdoors
 - DoS
 - Exploits
 - Reconnaissance
 - Shellcode
 - Worms
 - Analysis
 - Generic



Extracting Information

- Utilized PCAP reader from Scapy
- Traverse .pcap files looking at features
- Each feature is unique based on protocol
- Created a csv file with unique mappings per packet identifying features

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v Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 175.45.176.3, Dst: 149.171.126.16
  0100 .... = Version: 4
    .... 0101 = Header Length: 20 bytes (5)
  > Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP: CS0, ECN: Not-ECT)
    Total Length: 61
    Identification: 0xc47d (50301)
  > 000. .... = Flags: 0x0
    ...0 0000 0000 0000 = Fragment Offset: 0
    
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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
srcip	sport	dstip	dsport	proto	state	dur	sbytes	dbytes	sttl	dttl	sloss	dloss	service	Sload	Dload	Spkts	Dpkts	swin	dwin	stcpb
10.40.85.1	0	224.0.0.5	0	89	0	290.0253	2400	0	1	0	0	0	-	66.20111	0	30	0	0	0	0
10.40.182.	0	224.0.0.5	0	89	0	290.0253	2400	0	1	0	0	0	-	66.20112	0	30	0	0	0	0
192.168.24	0	192.168.24	0	ICMP	0	280.0005	7440	0	64	0	0	0	-	212.5711	0	20	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	NONIP	0	256.1389	4542	0	0	0	0	0	-	141.8605	0	84	0	0	0	0
175.45.176	13284	149.171.12	80	TCP	A	2.39039	1586	364	255	253	0	0	http	5307.921	1218.211	14	6	16383	16383	3.9E
59.166.0.5	3593	149.171.12	53	UDP	0	0.001209	164	196	32	30	0	0	dns	1085176	1296918	2	2	0	0	0
59.166.0.3	49664	149.171.12	53	UDP	0	0.001169	178	210	32	30	0	0	dns	1218170	1437167	2	2	0	0	0
59.166.0.5	6645	149.171.12	80	TCP	A	29.26807	1180	984	32	30	0	0	http	322.5358	268.9621	8	10	5792	5792	1.91E
59.166.0.3	42587	149.171.12	25	TCP	A	34.07718	38190	4052	32	30	0	0	smtp	8965.531	951.2525	52	42	5792	5792	4.06E

Data Cleaning And Labeling

- Cleaned the uncleaned csv of all PCAPs
- Added in features that require multiple packet analysis
- Used certain features to gather more information for the cleaned csv
- Used ground truth labels for malware vs. benign to label our data
 - Malicious types out of the 9
 - Benign



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1 srcip,sport,dstip,dsport,proto,state,dur,sbytes,dbytes,ttl,dttl,loss,dloss,service,Sload,Dload,Spkts,Dpkts,swin,dwin,stcpb,dtcpb,smeansz,dmeansz,trans_depth,res_b
2 10.40.85.1,0,224.0.0.5,0,89,0,0,80,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,80.0,0,0,44,0,0,1421927376.907079,1421927376.907079,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
3 10.40.182.1,0,224.0.0.5,0,89,0,0,80,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,80.0,0,0,44,0,0,1421927376.907101,1421927376.907101,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
4 192.168.241.243,0,192.168.241.243,0,ICMP,0,0,372,0,64,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,372.0,0,0,0,0,1421927381.000961,1421927381.000961,0,0,0,0,0,1,3,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,
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Random Forest

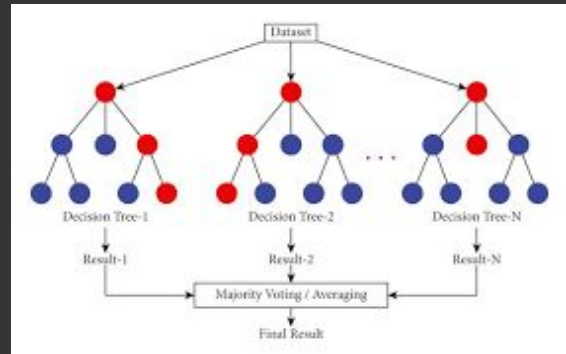
A machine learning algorithm that combines many individual decision trees to make more accurate and stable predictions

Pros:

- Handles large feature sets
- Robust to noise
- Easy to train

Why We Chose It:

- Excellent baseline
 - Can classify multiclass problems
- problems

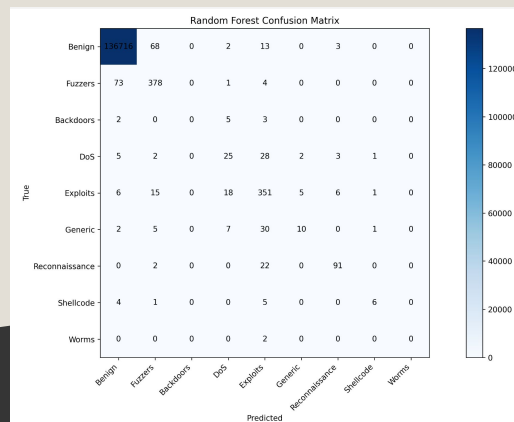


Random Forest Results

- Correctly counted all attacks for each category
- Consistently obtained a 99.74% accuracy
- Confusion matrix has a strong diagonal showing it should have a good accuracy
- Data imbalance
 - Benign has much higher accuracy
 - Malicious categories have low accuracy
- Will continue to work on and update code

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Attack category counts after normalization:
attack_cat
Benign          684009
Fuzzers          2282
Exploits         2009
Reconnaissance   573
DoS              328
Generic          274
Shellcode        80
Backdoors        49
Worms            12
Name: count, dtype: int64
Accuracy: 0.9974841216902062
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Classification Report:				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Benign	1.00	1.00	1.00	136802
Fuzzers	0.80	0.83	0.82	456
Backdoors	0.00	0.00	0.00	10
DoS	0.43	0.38	0.40	66
Exploits	0.77	0.87	0.82	402
Generic	0.59	0.18	0.28	55
Reconnaissance	0.88	0.79	0.83	115
Shellcode	0.67	0.38	0.48	16
Worms	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
accuracy			1.00	137924
macro avg	0.57	0.49	0.51	137924
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	137924



XGBoost

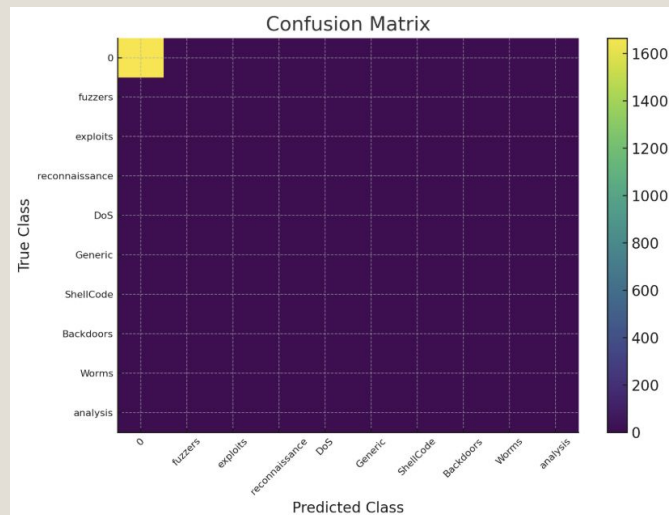
An optimized and efficient machine learning algorithm that builds predictions by combining many simple decision trees in a sequential process

- Pros:
 - Simple to train
 - Higher accuracy than Random Forest
 - Considered one of best current models
- Why We Chose It:
 - Very effective with extremely large datasets
 - Learns well with little instruction



XGBoost Results

- Overall accuracy came out to nearly 100% on overall data
- Confusion matrix shows extreme bias towards benign due to focus on minimized error
- Best results for fuzzers and reconnaissance
- Next Steps:
 - Hyperparameter tuning, SMOTE



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Fuzzers	0.95	0.99	0.97	571
Backdoors	0.00	0.00	0.00	12
Benign	1.00	1.00	1.00	171002
DoS	0.32	0.28	0.30	82
Exploits	0.77	0.88	0.83	502
Generic	0.67	0.20	0.31	69
Reconnaissance	0.92	0.80	0.85	143
Shellcode	0.60	0.45	0.51	20
Worms	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
accuracy			1.00	172404
macro avg	0.58	0.51	0.53	172404
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	172404

Deep Feedforward Neural Network

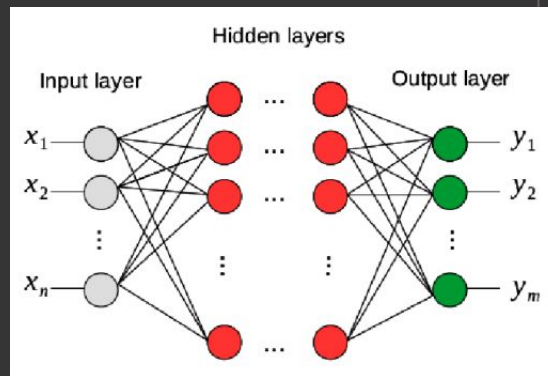
Neural network where data flows in only one direction, from the input layer through multiple hidden layers to the output layer, without any loops or feedback.

- Pros:

- Learns complex patterns
- Handles many classes well
- Performs well with large datasets
- Automatically learns feature interactions
- Higher accuracy than shallow networks

- Why We Chose It:

- Can learn more complex patterns in network traffic
 - Benign vs 9 types of malware



Deep FeedForward Neural Network Results

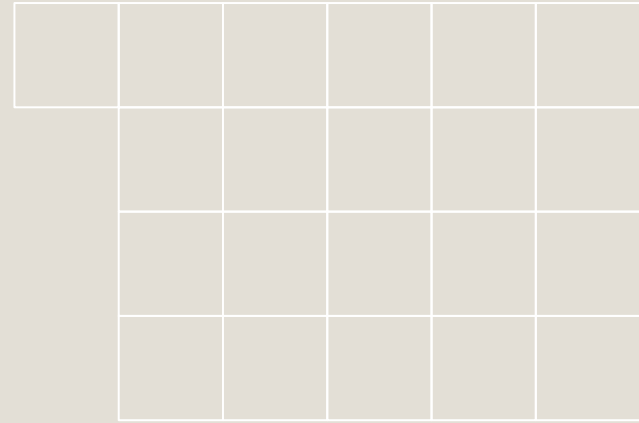
- The overall accuracy of the Deep Feedforward Neural Network is 99.56%
 - Its highest precision attack category is currently benign
 - Analysis, backdoor, and worms all have a 0% accuracy because they did not show up in the validation split
- The Confusion Matrix has a pretty strong diagonal showing that it should have an overall decent accuracy
- We will continue to work on the model before using the testing split

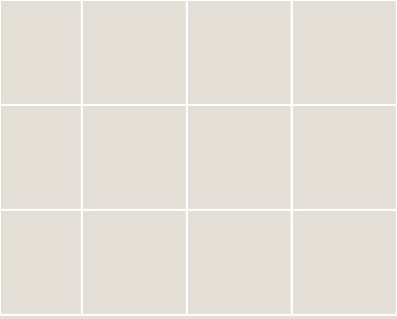
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Benign	0.9978	0.9993	0.9985	136802
Fuzzers	0.6623	0.4386	0.5277	456
Analysis	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0
Backdoors	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	10
DoS	0.4118	0.3182	0.3590	66
Exploits	0.7171	0.8259	0.7676	402
Generic	0.2500	0.0727	0.1127	55
Recon	0.6667	0.4348	0.5263	115
Shellcode	0.4000	0.3750	0.3871	16
Worms	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	2
accuracy			0.9956	137924
macro avg	0.4106	0.3464	0.3679	137924
weighted avg	0.9949	0.9956	0.9951	137924

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===== CONFUSION MATRIX =====
[[136703  66    0    0    22    1    9    1    0]
 [  232  200    0    1    11    2   10    0    0]
 [    0    1    0    5    4    0    0    0    0]
 [    4    2    0   21   34    4    1    0    0]
 [   15   23    0   18  332    5    3    6    0]
 [    4    5    0    6   33    4    1    2    0]
 [   39    5    0    0   21    0   50    0    0]
 [    5    0    0    0    4    0    1    6    0]
 [    0    0    0    0    2    0    0    0    0]]
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Our ML Selection

- Continue to work on and update our code for each ML model
- Based on classification reports from each model
 - Select the best option for our project
- Our prediction:
 - XGBoost
 - Based on researching and comparing all three models





Thank you!
Questions?

