

1 Offline Phase — Model Training

Step A: Data Collection - Collect dataset: UNSW-NB15. Includes packet/session features and timestamps for temporal sequences.

Step B: Preprocessing - Clean data: remove useless columns (IDs, duplicates, etc.). Encode categorical features (protocol, service, state). - Normalize numerical features.

For CNN-LSTM: create **time-windowed sequences** (e.g., 50 packets per session/IP).

2 Machine Learning Path (Static Features)

Input: Single packet/session features

Model: XGBoost

Steps: 1. Train model on offline static features.
2. Evaluate metrics: Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1, ROC-AUC.
3. Save trained model (xgboost_model.pkl).

Live Data Integration: - Capture live packets using scapy or logs.

- Extract the same static features.
 - Feed to XGBoost → get prediction (normal / attack).
 - Take action (alert/block/log).
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3 Deep Learning Path (Temporal / Sequence Features)

Input: Sequences of packets per session/IP (time windows)

Model: CNN-LSTM using PyTorch

Steps: 1. Train CNN-LSTM on **sequence data** (offline).
2. Evaluate metrics: Accuracy, F1, etc.
3. Save trained model (cnn_lstm_model.h5).

Live Data Integration: - Capture live traffic.

- Create sequences (same window size as training).
- Feed sequences to CNN-LSTM → get prediction.
- Take action (alert/block/log).

❑ **Important:** Sequence creation is mandatory. CNN-LSTM cannot use single static packets.

4□ Real-Time Agent Logic

- Both paths feed into an **agent layer**:
 - Attack probability > 0.9 → block + alert
 - 0.6–0.9 → monitor + log
 - < 0.6 → safe
 - Logs can be stored or displayed in a **dashboard**.
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5□ Deployment (Optional)

- Use **FastAPI / Flask**: expose /predict endpoint.
 - Model(s) loaded in backend.
 - Live traffic features/sequences sent to endpoint → returns prediction.
 - Deploy on **Render** or any cloud service.
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Key Takeaways

1. **XGBoost = fast, easy, static data, live-ready.**
2. **CNN-LSTM = handles temporal patterns, sequence-based, live data requires sequence creation.**
3. **Both models can feed the same agent logic for real-time alerts.**
4. **Deployment:** FastAPI + Render exposes models for real-time testing.

Visual Pipeline Diagram (Text Representation)

