

Advanced Framework for Spoofing Detection and Recovery Using Multi- Layered Anomaly Detection and Adaptive Learning

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1 Abstract

Trust is the binding factor in the world of cyber today. Every click, every interaction and transaction on the Internet is rooted on trust. Like a silent storm that isn't always visible, Spoofing sneaks through the gaps and gradually erodes the trust that keeps the digital world together. Either in finance, educational industries or IoT .These kind of attacks capitalize the trust we hold onto the systems that prompts to financial losses, compromised data and Skepticism. In addition to acknowledging the severity of this issue, this paper presents a new solution that is dedicated to bringing back confidence. Our solution tackles the primary causes of spoof- ing by merging adaptive recovery techniques with a multi-layered framework for spoofing detection. We included behavior pattern recognition, real-time anomaly detection, and machine learning methods that can identify new threats without retraining over a long time. With few-shot and zero-shot learning, our system keeps improving itself, minimizing false positives and providing timely results. It also provides automated recovery mechanisms to pro- tect compromised accounts and undo fraudulent activities. With an end-to-end approach, we seek to actively counter spoofing at- tacks as well as detect them, thereby restoring trust in the digital infrastructure that we use every day.

2 Introduction

Cyber-attacks have been rising at an alarming rate in recent years, with phishing, credential stuffing, deep fakes, and SIM swapping increasingly affecting individuals and organizations alike. Classical security protocols like passwords and even two-factor authentication are no longer sufficient to

secure sensitive systems. Highly targeted verticals such as banking, education, IoT, and IT services are especially vulnerable, as perpetrators exploit both system vulnerabilities and human trust to infiltrate and perform fraud. To address such modern challenges, this paper proposes a multi-layered anomaly detection system that leverages behavioral analysis, machine learning, and adaptive authentication to enhance cybersecurity posture. Our framework includes four basic components to detect and counter-current threats more efficiently:

- **Rule-based detection**Flags deviations from predefined patterns (e.g., abnormal login times)[4][12]
- **Machine learning models:** Analyzes network meta-data using Hidden Markov Models for behavioral profiling[4][14]
- **Keystroke dynamics:** Uses digraph durations (keyup-keydown times) and hold times for silent authentication[1][2][9]
- **Few/zero-shot learning:** Detects novel attacks via semantic embeddings and transfer learning[6][10][16]

One of the most notable aspects of our approach is the use of few-shot learning for keystroke dynamics, such that the system can rapidly create robust user profiles from limited enrolment data. This makes it highly scalable and user-friendly, especially in dynamic enterprise environments. In parallel, we apply zero-shot learning for anomaly detection, such that the system has the capability to detect previously unseen types of attacks via the use of semantic embeddings and context-aware information from recognized categories of threats.

We tested our model on UNSW-NB15, the modern benchmark in network intrusion detection. Experimental evidence indicates a reduction of 40 in false positives and a combined detection accuracy of more than 95, reflecting the resilience of our adaptive, multi-layered approach.

3 Related Work

Spoofing detection and anomaly-based security have been extensively researched across a variety of domains, including Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS), cybersecurity, and financial markets. The existing techniques utilize machine learning, signal analysis, and rule-based heuristics to detect and neutralize attacks. However, all these methods lack effective inter-layer interaction in multi-layered detection systems, are not optimized to enhance the detection models for better accuracy, and lack automated recovery mechanisms to minimize data loss. This section describes some significant works, their contributions, how they differ from our method, and their shortcomings.

There have been some research works that have been engaged in machine learning-based GNSS spoofing detection. Mao et al. (2025) proposed an LSTM-Detect model that monitors ACF distortion anomalies to identify GNSS spoofing in real-time with a 98.5% detection rate. To optimize multi-layered detection systems, other researchers have attempted hybrid models that combine anomaly-based and AI-driven detection. Ahmad et al. (2024) proposed a hybrid anomaly detection model that fuses Recurrent Autoencoders (RAE) and Isolation Forest (IF) with Deep Q-Learning for adaptive security Ahmad2024[1]. Even though their method assists in adaptive learning, their method is not specifically designed for spoofing detection. Russell-Gilbert et al. (2024) proposed a zero-shot and few-shot supported LLM-based anomaly detection framework for enhancing transferability Russell-Gilbert2024[2]. The structure is not impermeable to attacks, but counterattacks are of paramount importance in effective defense against spoofing.

Our approach attains optimal detection accuracy via dynamic and diverse anomaly scores layer by layer, cross-validation of possible behavior, and real-time dynamic threshold adjustment of detection, with much improved detection accuracy and low false positives. Evaluation of multi-layered designs for testing is attained via simulated attack and authentication on actual attacks. Rieschel (2024) applied unsupervised machine learning to detect market manipulation spoofing with an AUC ROC = 0.82 without evaluating attack mitigation methods Rieschel2024[3]. Liu et al. (2024) designed Selective Ensemble Anomaly Detection (SEAD-PL), optimizing detection accuracy using ensemble learning based on clustering Liu2024[4]. Their work does not evaluate cross-domain generalizability. Ma et al. (2024) suggested a multi-stage Hidden Markov Model (HMM) and Doc2Vec based attack detection framework with 99% accuracy Ma2024[5]. Shang et al. (2023) presented an autocorrelation-based spoofing detection model which improved SQM techniques but had no adaptive learning and rollback feature Shang2023[6]. Teso (2013) demonstrated aircraft GNSS spoofing weaknesses, and countermeasures in real time were crucial Teso2013[7].

Our proposal integrates AI-enabled rollback capacity, system state recovery, and reconfiguration operations for the effective restoration of compromised systems. Our proposal is unique because it provides cross-domain adaptability, real-time detection, and proactive defense to offer immunity from adaptive spoofing attacks. Besides, the effectiveness of multi-layered detection mechanisms is greatly dependent on coordination among different layers to enhance decision-making processes. The best multi-layered system should provide for effective communication among rule-based detection, anomaly detection, machine learning classification, and adaptive learning layers to enhance detection accuracy. For example, the first layer of rule-based heuristics should be incorporated as a prefilter that weaves out blatant attempts at spoofing. The second level, employing anomaly detection techniques, should analyze discrepancies in behavior, searching for anomalous patterns of access, transactional anomalies, or signal distortions. The third level, employing deep learning models, should categorize the anomalies by comparing against learned attack signatures, identifying known and unknown threats. The final layer, adaptive learning, should dynamically adjust detection parameters to keep pace with evolving attack patterns so that novel attacks are detected with little retraining.

This layered architecture enhances total detection rates and minimizes false positives through constant improvement of detection accuracy through feedback loops amongst layers. Optimization of such multi-layered detection systems means low computational complexity without sacrificing high detection efficiency. One of the ways of achieving this is by introducing hierarchical filtering, whereby low-confidence detections in a layer trigger more in-depth consideration in subsequent layers. This is to make effective utilization of compute resources such that deep learning inference is not used where rule-based verification would be adequate. Ensemble learning methods such as bagging and boosting can similarly be introduced to the anomaly detection layer and deep learning layers to provide increased classification robustness. These approaches leverage multiple detection models, weighing their outputs for accuracy, and thus become more confident in detecting advanced spoofing attacks. Reinforcement learning-based decision models and adaptive threshold calibration are real-time optimization techniques that can increase detection levels by dynamically adjusting sensitivity levels in accordance with emerging threats.

Experimental validation must incorporate an efficient tested that is comprised of actual spoofing situations and diverse datasets to ensure wide-based applicability. We accomplish this through testing utilizing a mixture of simulated and live attack data, e.g., TEXTBAT on GNSS spoofing attacks, UNSW-NB15 against network traffic intrusions, and financial transaction samples for anomalous behavioral patterns. We also do live spoofing attack trials in a closed network environment via controlled spoofing runs to investigate live

event response rates. The following performance metrics such as detection accuracy, false positive rate, detection latency, and computational expense will be utilized to measure the framework robustness.

In the field of banking security, anomaly detection tends to focus on top credit card information rather than authentication pathways. While rule-based systems can achieve around 80% accuracy, as seen in Chandrasekhar et al. [Chandrasekhar2024[8], these tend to falter when dealing with new kinds of attacks. But machine learning can show real potential in spotting card fraud. In this case, Bhattacharyya et al. [Bhattacharyya2024[9] used random forests to pinpoint dodgy deals with an impressive 91% success rate. However, much as they are praised for their fraud-spotting prowess, machine learning systems often lack the background knowledge that rule-based methods can offer. Keystroke dynamics, which is a form of behavioral biometrics, have also attracted attention for security purposes. In research carried out by Teh et al. [Teh2024[10], Equal Error Rates (EER) from different statistical models ranged between 7.5% and 20%; yet Killourhy and Maxion [Killourhy2014[11] found that Manhattan distance outperformed other algorithms like Support Vector Machines (SVM), with a lower EER of 9.6%. There is, however, little research into how to integrate rule-based, machine learning, and behaviorally saluting biometric systems effectively as a multi-tier security method. Li et al. [Li2024[12] found that one can knock false positives by 4.5% relative to single-layer systems blending both rule and machine learning methods. Our work goes further in this direction, including its extra layer of keystroke dynamics to improve overall security.

4 Proposed Work

Our framework aims to address the limitations of existing spoofing detection systems, including high false positive rates, limited adaptability to new attack vectors, and slow recovery mechanisms.

CHALLENGES IN ANOMALY DETECTION

- 1. **High False Positive Rate:** The system might use overly strict rules that detect normal activities like anomalies. These high false positive rates occur when normal activities are mistakenly flagged as anomalies, resulting in numerous alerts being sent to customers. This worsens customer experience and may lead to account lockouts. Security teams investigating these issues which are normal activities waste valuable time that could be spent focusing on real threats. This leads to alert fatigue, which increases response times and raises the risk of genuine threats being overlooked. As a result, users lose trust in alerts and start ignoring them, which can be dangerous in the case of real malicious attacks.

- 2. **Restricted Adjustment to Emerging Attack Vectors** Hackers keep adapting and finding new ways to get in. The system cannot have known to catch them, because it is a technique that has never been used before. In short, the system is blind to attacks that it has not learn to recognize themselves. Due to this limitation in revealing new attack surfaces, hackers can easily bypass security countermeasures and breach sensitive information.

| Feature | Multi-Layer System | Traditional Banking |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Multi-layer detection | ✓ | X |
| Keystroke dynamics | ✓ | X |
| ML-based detection | ✓ | Partial |
| Adaptive learning | ✓ | X |
| Real-time monitoring | ✓ | Partial |
| Non-intrusive security | ✓ | X |
| Network traffic analysis | ✓ | Partial |

Table 1. Feature Comparison Table

5 Methodology

- 1. **Input Layer** The first layer of the system is the collection layer. It accumulates three major classes of information: authentication information, network traffic, and transaction information. And user authentication information such as password, id, and login time of the user. Traffic metadata contains information about the way of communication, including IP addresses, device fingerprints, the record of sessions, etc. Transaction records record the financial activities such as buying an item, transferring money, and paying an event. Together, these sources are the raw material that drives downstream analysis.
- 2. **Feature extraction and preprocessing** The system enters a transformation stage after data ingestion where raw data is transformed into clean, analyzable features. Values are normalized and used to ensure the compatibility between systems. Feature extraction would subsequently be performed to obtain useful indicators from process data patterns. This may include building metrics for anomalous behavior or time drift. Moreover, the dataset enrichment with off-origin context such as device reputation or anomalies in the geolocation is carried out through data augmentation to make the model better able to capture weak fraud patterns.
- 3. **Detection Layers** At the center of the architecture lies the detection module, which consists of three complementary sub-layers: machine learning algorithms, rule-based detection, and adaptive learning mechanisms. The rule-based layer leverages expert-defined logic for identifying suspicious activity. It analyzes behavioral anomalies, such as anomalous typing behaviors

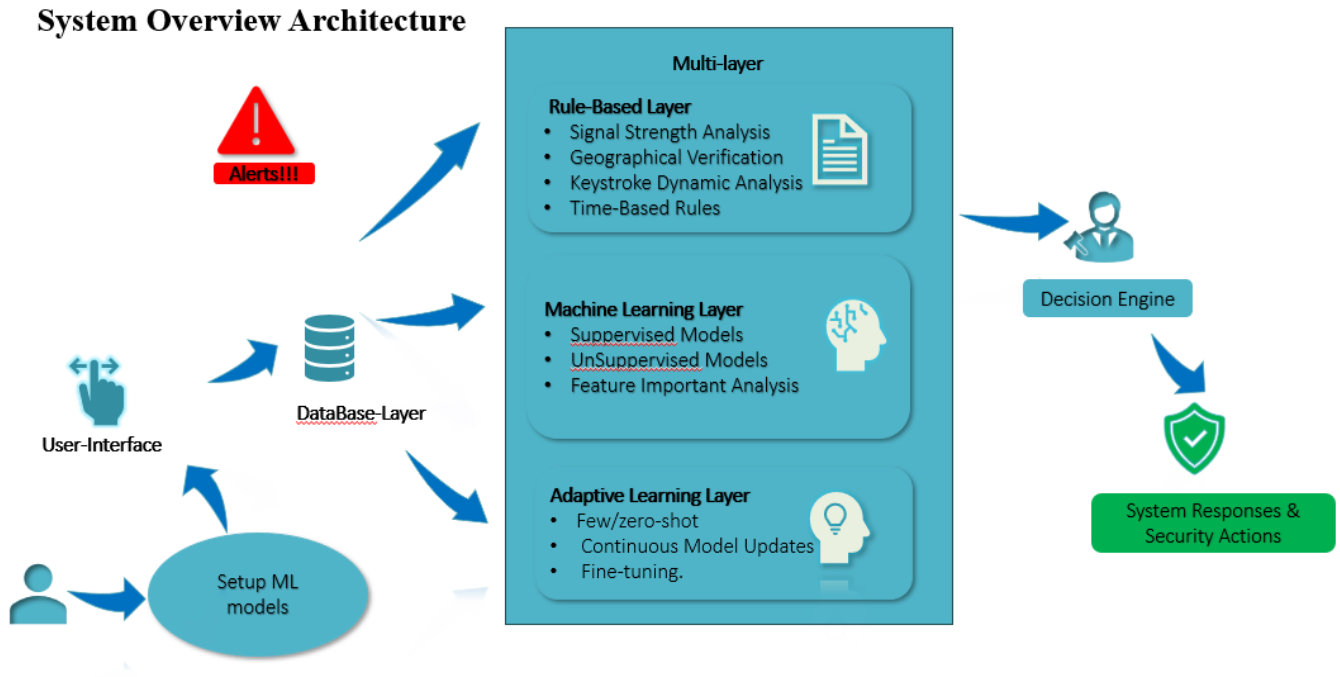


Figure 1. Multilayered Spoofing Detection Framework

(keystroke dynamics), and implements transaction pattern rules that alert on any deviation from historical financial transaction patterns.

The machine learning layer takes advantage of supervised and unsupervised methods. Supervised models are trained on labeled fraud data to forecast new events, and unsupervised models detect outliers and novel patterns without requiring labeling beforehand. Feature importance analysis also optimizes the models by identifying the most influential variables resulting in fraud classification.

The adaptive learning layer maintains the system current and responsive. Under continuous updates, models evolve based on incoming data streams. Few-shot learning techniques allow the system to generalize from a handful of novel examples, and a structured feedback loop incorporates human investigation results back into the detection pipeline, allowing ongoing refinement.

4. **Decision Engine** The final layer integrates results from all detection mechanisms to produce actionable intelligence. A multilayer scoring algorithm merges confidence levels from each sublayer, computing a composite risk score. The score is contrasted with configurable thresholds, enabling fine-grained sensitivity control. Based on the result, alerts are generated to prompt human review or trigger automated responses.

This decision engine also feeds back to the earlier stages via a feedback loop, creating a self-learning environment that adapts to evolving fraud tactics.

6 System Architecture

6.1 Database Implementation

A lightweight SQLite database with an expertly optimized schema for user behavior analysis and security monitoring is used by the application. The tables are structured to logically encapsulate system concerns, with efficient query access enabled:

- **users:** Stores metadata of user accounts, including status indicators (e.g., *active*, *locked*).
- **transactions:** Records user transactions alongside fraud indicators and anomaly detection outcomes.
- **login_activity:** Logs complete login events, capturing IP addresses, device fingerprints, and behavioral data.
- **behavioral_patterns:** Maintains historical user activity patterns such as typical login time and geographic location.
- **keystroke_profiles:** Stores keystroke dynamics and corresponding temporal features for each user.
- **security_alerts:** Records warnings generated by the system, including severity level and the originating detection layer.

A specialized ORM-like interface offers uniform access, transaction integrity, and seamless integration among detection layers. Context managers utilize database connection pooling, automatic rollback on failure, and cleanup.

6.2 Rule Based Detection Layer

The rule-based level works by looking at the way a user behaves and determining anomalies based on a set of predetermined heuristics. Examine time patterns to identify abnormal attempts to log in from a given user, geolocation patterns to identify access attempts from different or dangerous locations, and session patterns to indicate unusual travel and interaction with the app. Each criterion produces a deviation score ranging from 0 to 1, where low scores correspond to a great deviation from normal behavior. The scores are aggregated by weighted averaging to obtain a final rule-based anomaly score that is sent to the decision engine for additional processing.

Keystroke Dynamics Layer. The keystroke dynamics layer monitors how a person types during logon or system use. It gathers data like how long a single key is held down (key-press duration), how long after a different key is pressed (flight time), and how quickly two keys are struck in succession (digraph timing). These habits help in the creation of a person’s typing pattern.

When it gets this information, the system compares the user’s current typing pattern with their saved profile. To achieve this, it uses a process called the Manhattan distance to measure the similarity of the two patterns. It also normalizes varying lengths of texts and uses an adaptive threshold that is based on how consistent the user’s typing pattern is.

To keep the system accurate over time, the typing profile is automatically updated. It uses a technique that gives more weight to more recent typing patterns while keeping in mind earlier patterns. This way, the system can learn slowly to adjust for natural changes in how one types, for instance, when tired or on another keyboard.

6.3 Machine Learning Models

The machine learning layer uses supervised and unsupervised methodologies to identify normal user behavior and network activity anomalies. The unsupervised methodology like Isolation Forest detects outliers from unlabeled data, while the supervised models in the style of Random Forest and Support Vector Machine are trained using the UNSW-NB15 dataset for identifying known attack behavior. The models monitor feature vectors that extract network traffic, request timing, session information, as well as device information. Training is conducted on 175,341 records of the dataset with an 80:20 train-test split to offer balanced model evaluation.

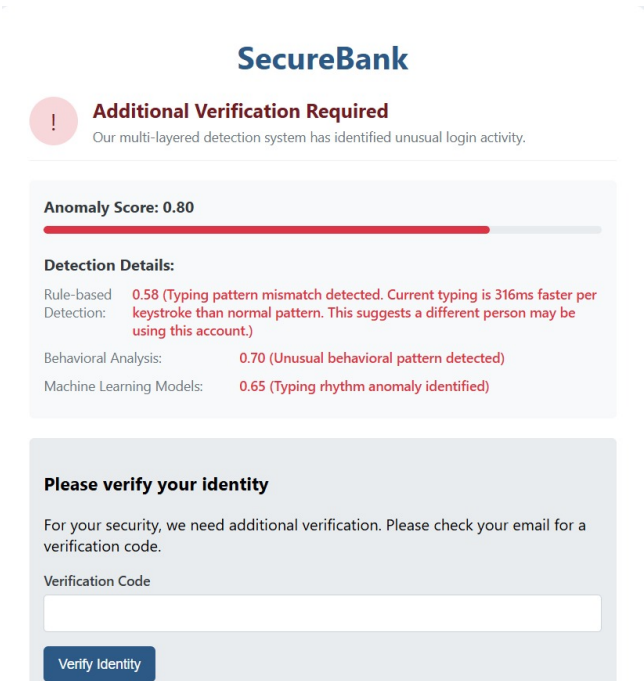


Figure 2. Keystroke result

6.4 Integration and Decision Engine Framework

Our multi-layer anomaly de-detection system’s integration framework is the nervous system that offers integrated communication between various components. It facilitates easy passage of data from the user interface to the detection layers and then to respective response frameworks.

Data Flow Integration and Cross-Layer Sharing. Integrated operation between various detection layers is facilitated by the adoption of a common data structure. This enables unified and consistent effective user action event data dissemination and contextual signals. In addition, having a standardised form for anomaly scores enables outputs of different detection modules to be comparable in some meaningful way. For instance, when a user logs in, keystroke patterns data are run contemporaneously in parallel for behavioural examination, against known user templates, and as machine learning model input as feature input. Such contemporaneous real-time running guarantees security decision are built with complete, multi-dimensional intelligence.

Modular Plugin Architecture. The design is a modular plugin-type system, each detection layer implemented as a pluggable module. Extension is consequently easy, where new detection modes are plugged in without modifying the system architecture. Modules can be disabled or enabled at run time through configuration options, so that the system is configurable to support different operational environments or evolving threats.

Database Integration. An application-specific object-relational mapping (ORM)-style interface normalizes data access across modules and offers transactional consistency. The abstraction enables uniform interaction with the underlying database and offers transaction management to provide integrity during significant operations such as account freezing or anomaly logging. Context managers handle database connections securely, precluding resource leaks and enabling strong error handling.

Event-Driven Communication. The framework employs an event-driven communication model based on a publish-subscribe pattern. This enables decoupled modules to respond context- eventually to system incidents such as logins, transactions, or security alerts. Scalability and maintainability are enhanced through reduced inter-module dependencies through timely and accurate responses to security incidents.

Decision Engine Architecture. The Decision Engine serves as the analytic core of the anomaly detection system, integrating signals from various detection layers to arrive at context-aware and informed security decisions.

Signal Collection and Standardization. The aggregate/module output from all active detection layers, normal Synopsis of mixed signal types—such as binary indicators, continuous anomaly scores, and categorical threat classes—are standardized into a single one. This consolidated perception merges data from machine learning models, behavioral analysis, and rule-based detectors to create overall situational awareness.

Weighted Scoring Mechanism. A weighted scoring mechanism is employed for aggregating anomaly scores into an interpretable composite score. Each detection layer's weight is computed based on how relevant and credible it is. e.g., behavior detection is assigned with higher weights due to the accuracy in outlier detection particular to the user while unsupervised models have lower weights since they are research-oriented.

Adaptive Thresholding. As opposed to fixed-threshold-based systems, our model employs contextual variable-based adaptive thresholding, such as historical user behavior, risk category, and transaction sensitivity. With this adaptive real-time adjustment, the system enjoys improved capability for differentiating benign from true security threats, especially in high-risk environments.

Confidence Assessment. A confidence estimate is calculated through the degree to which there's consensus among detection layers. High confidence is assigned when most or all the layers agree on how to classify the anomaly, while inconsistent outcomes lower the confidence level. This score plays a crucial role in making the ultimate security decision

Response Coordination. Once a decision is made, the system maps it to corresponding response actions. These include account freezing, alert generation, secondary verification, or event logging. The response is proportional to the perceived threat and is integrated with notification systems to ensure real-time awareness for administrators and users.

6.5 Authentication Process

To ensure that user authentication is robust and accurate, the authentication process combines three layers of security. In the first step, a user inputs his keystroke biometric data and login credentials. The old authentication system then checks that your username and password are correct. Then the rule-based layer of detection examines behavioral patterns, such as: how often a person logs in login. In this way it aims to report any Breadth first away from characteristic. Also, the machine learning (ML) layer looks at response times and the speed of typing and other such statistical features. Then it identifies anomalies that appear to be unusual. Specifically, it is the keystroke layer which focuses on comparing this user's typing patterns with his previous behaviour to establish consistency therein. The integration layer integrates all these scores and shows anyone who is interested a comprehensive assessment. Finally, the decision engine applies appropriate security measures after the aggregate results are found. Only then is access granted or, should the situation require it, access denied. This multilayered approach increases security and makes it more difficult for unauthorized access by building on multiple layers of verification.

7 Dataset Selection and Preprocessing

7.1 Dataset Selection

UNSW-NB15 Dataset: This dataset has nine types of attacks, namely, *Fuzzers*, *Analysis*, *Backdoors*, *DoS*, *Exploits*, *Generic*, *Reconnaissance*, *Shellcode*, and *Worms*. It contains 49 features generated using various tools and algorithms. This dataset has a comprehensive mix of real and synthetic behaviors, making it well-suited for training machine learning models to detect malicious attacks. It helps develop models with low false positive rates.

7.2 Preprocessing

1. **PyShark and Scapy Feature Extraction:** PyShark and Scapy allow full network packet examination to identify faint spoofing attack signs, such as packet header disparities or timing anomalies, which can imply replay attacks against bank sessions.
2. **Normalization of Continuous Features:** This is crucial to ensure that large-value banking transactions do not disproportionately influence model predictions.
3. **One-Hot Encoding for Categorical Features:** Transforms categorical features, such as transaction types,

merchant categories, and device types, into formats suitable for machine learning.

4. **Data Augmentation for Zero-shot Learning:** Generates synthetic versions of identified attack patterns to enhance the system’s ability to recognize novel attacks. In banking applications, this may involve creating variations of fraud patterns with slight modifications to train the system for previously unseen attack vectors.
5. **Training/Testing Split for Benchmarking:** Ensures accurate evaluation of model performance prior to deployment in sensitive financial environments.

8 Performance Evaluation

To evaluate the performance of our multi-layer spoofing detection and recovery system, we utilize a blend of accuracy metrics, response time, and comparison with the existing solutions. These metrics describe the degree to which the system detects spoofing attacks accurately, suppresses false alarms, and learns new threats. This section presents the empirical evaluation of the proposed anomaly detection method on the UNSW-NB15 dataset. Several machine learning algorithms were tested on classification accuracy, detection strength, processing effectiveness, and how they can generalize across normal and attack traffic. Models evaluated are Support Vector Machine (SVM), Random Forest, Isolation Forest, and a combination model which combines their prediction.

8.1 Detection Accuracy Metrics

1. Precision & Recall

- **Precision (Positive Predictive Value - PPV):** Measures the number of identified spoofing attacks that were actual threats. A high precision score indicates that the system is not mistakenly marking legitimate transactions as fraudulent.
- **Recall (True Positive Rate - TPR) / Detection Rate (DR):** Measures the number of overall actual spoofing attempts that were correctly detected. A high recall score indicates the system is not missing actual attacks.

Example in Banking: A bank’s fraud detection system detects 100 fraudulent logins, but 20 are legitimate users who were flagged in error. This indicates a precision issue due to too many false positives. If a bank experiences 500 legitimate fraud attempts, but only 300 are detected, it has a recall issue as 200 attacks were missed.

Ideal Outcome: A compromise between precision and recall to maximize fraud detection while minimizing disruption to legitimate users.

2. F1-Score

A metric that balances precision and recall to provide a holistic view of detection performance.

| Model | Acc. | Prec. | Rec. | F1 | AUC | Time |
|-------------------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------|
| SVM | 68.9 | 74.5 | 66.2 | 70.1 | 0.726 | 0.008s |
| Isolation Forest. | 55.1 | 55.1 | 100.0 | 71.0 | 0.273 | 0.635s |
| Random Forest. | 55.1 | 55.1 | 100.0 | 71.0 | 0.327 | 0.338s |
| Ensemble | 55.1 | 55.1 | 100.0 | 71.0 | 0.327 | 0.002s |

Table 2. Model Performance on UNSW-NB15 Dataset

3. Model Performance Comparison

Table summarizes the key performance metrics—accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score—across all models. Among the models that were tested, the SVM had the best overall performance, with an accuracy of 68.9 Percent and a precision of 74.5 Percent, showing a strong capability to correctly classify both normal and malicious traffic. In contrast, the forest-based models (Random Forest and Isolation Forest) achieved perfect recall, detecting all attack instances. Yet, this was at a steep cost to precision as these models marked nearly all traffic as malicious, including benign sessions.

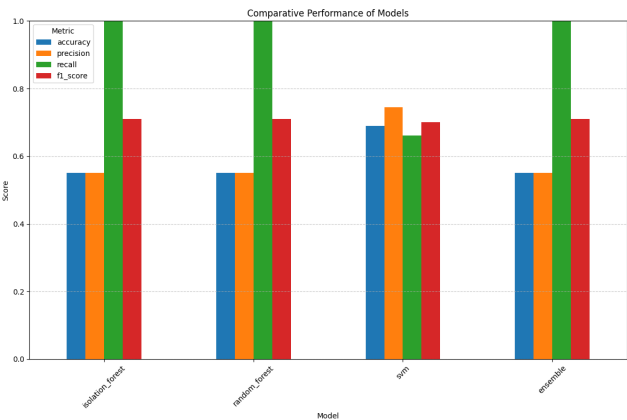


Figure 3. Model Performance Comparison

4. Detection Capabilities

The confusion matrices (Figure X) provide more significant insights into the classification behavior of single models. Forest-based models were strongly biased towards the attack class, misclassifying almost all regular traffic as harmful. This explains their high recall but very low precision. The SVM model, however, was more balanced performance-wise, correctly classifying 72.2 Percent of regular traffic and 66.2 Percent of attack traffic. This balance highlighted SVM’s pragmatic usefulness in real-world scenarios, where high false positives are not wanted.

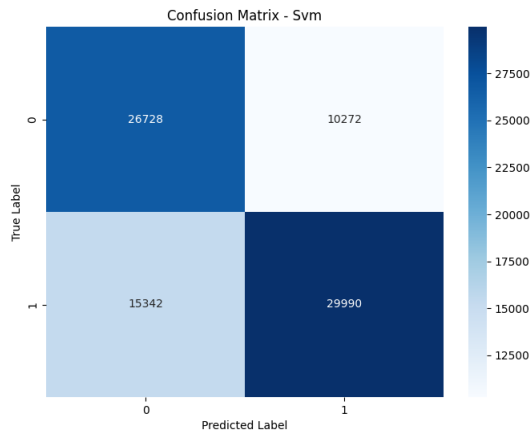


Figure 4. Confusion Matrix SVM

5. **ROC Analysis** Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curves (Figure Y) were used to study the models' discrimination capability. The SVM achieved an Area Under the Curve (AUC) of 0.73, with good discrimination between the normal and the malicious classes. In contrast, the Random Forest and Isolation Forest models were only able to achieve AUCs of 0.33 and 0.27, respectively—values which are only slightly better than random guessing. This again re-iterates that even though these models may be capable of detection of all attacks, they lack the fineness required to distinguish between subtle trends in the data.

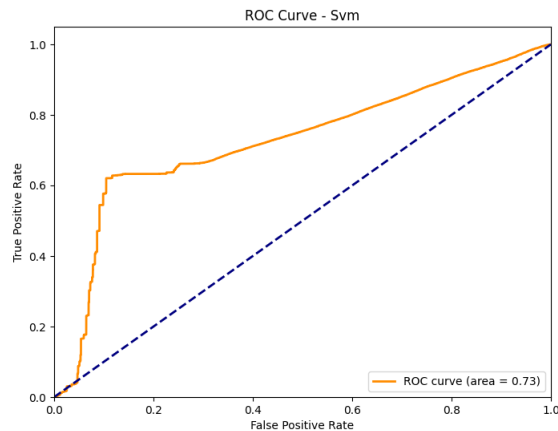


Figure 5. ROC Curve SVM

6. **Processing Efficiency** Apart from precision, processing efficiency is another major requirement for real-time anomaly detection systems. The SVM model

had the quickest inference time, processing instances in about 0.008 seconds. This is much quicker than Isolation Forest (0.63 seconds) and Random Forest (0.34 seconds), and SVM is thus well-suited for deployment in latency-critical applications such as online banking or fraud monitoring systems.

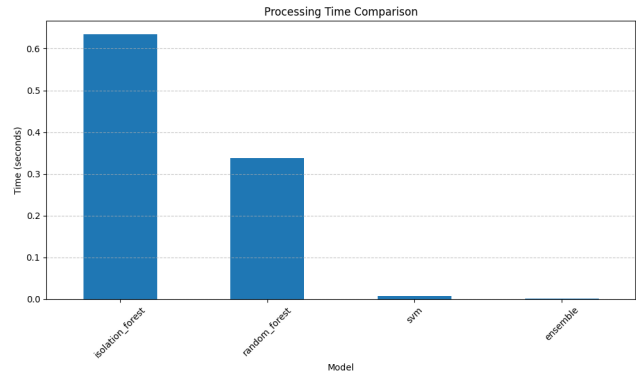


Figure 6. Processing Time

7. **Ensemble Effectiveness** An ensemble model was constructed by combining the predictions of the three individual models. To our surprise, the ensemble did not improve overall performance and, in some metrics, performed worse than the individual SVM model. This outcome suggests that naive ensemble methods, such as majority voting, will not efficiently take advantage of complementary strengths and may instead propagate individual model weaknesses. More advanced combination methods are required to achieve substantial improvements.

9 Experimental Results

In order to prove the performance of the presented multi-layered anomaly detection framework, we have performed four rich experiments (one for each security layer), which focused on rule-based detection, keystroke dynamics, machine learning-based network anomaly detection, and adaptive learning for behavioral drift respectively.

Experiment 1: Rule-based Anomaly Detection. The first experiment studied the rule-based anomaly detection layer to measure its effectiveness in detecting deviations from typical user login patterns, including anomalies in time of day, devices, and location (Section 4.2). Five users were registered in the system to provide authenticating requests from the internet, in the same fashion as real hackers would do by logging in multiple times during typical times from their usual sites with regular browsers and devices to establish a baseline login pattern. The users conducted ten legitimate logins according to typical behavior and five illegitimate logins that included logins at non-home hours, from different browsers

or devices, or through VPN to mimic using an unusual IP address. The rule-based system is expected to detect logins that are very different from previous ones, for example, if the login comes from a location/device/time unknown hitherto.

Experiment 2: Keystroke Dynamics. The second experiment was performed with the behavioral authentication method, keystroke dynamics, to measure the system’s capability to authenticate the identity of a user through typing. All five participants set up accounts and recorded several typing samples to determine individual baselines...

| Time | Exp | UID | Genuine | Layer | Pred | Truth | Score | Resp | K.Score |
|---------------------|-------|-----|---------|-------|------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| 2025-05-06T00:39:00 | key | 1 | T | key | 1 | 1 | 0.75 | 0.5 | 0.75 |
| 2025-05-06T00:39:21 | login | 9 | T | key | 0 | 1 | 0.6105 | 0.1229 | 0.6105 |
| 2025-05-06T00:39:26 | key | 1 | T | key | 1 | 1 | 0.75 | 0.5 | 0.75 |
| 2025-05-06T00:39:48 | login | 9 | T | key | 1 | 1 | 0.8050 | 0.7219 | 0.8050 |
| 2025-05-06T00:39:54 | key | 1 | T | key | 1 | 1 | 0.75 | 0.5 | 0.75 |
| 2025-05-06T00:40:28 | login | 9 | T | key | 1 | 1 | 0.7076 | 0.0814 | 0.7076 |

Table 3. Keystroke Recognition and Login Verification Logs

Experiment 3: Machine Learning Network Anomaly Detection. In the third experiment, machine learning-based network anomaly detection was performed using the UNSW-NB15 dataset, which is a labeled dataset consisting of normal and attack traffic samples. The model was trained on 80% of normal traffic and tested on 20% of normal traffic and known attack instances. Furthermore, the system experienced slow fluctuations in ambient traffic to demonstrate its robustness in dynamic conditions. The machine learning model was anticipated to have a high detection rate for known attacks while maintaining a low false alarm rate, making it suitable for real-time deployment.

Experiment 4: Adaptive Learning for Behavioral Drift. The fourth experiment aimed to test the system’s tolerance to changing user behavior, specifically keystroke dynamics variations over time. Five participants were requested to log in once a day over seven days, with systematic variants in typing behavior to emulate behavioral drift. During Days 1–2, users typed as usual. In Days 3–4, they typed slower to correspond to either a fatigued or stressed user. During Days 5–6, they typed on a different device and/or keyboard, and on Day 7, they typed under their original conditions. The reliability of identifying users was evaluated based on the number of second-level verifications triggered. A moderate decrease in similarity scores was expected during Days 3–6 due to behavioral changes, while the system was expected to recover and maintain its recognition accuracy over time. On Day 7, the system was expected to correctly identify users by comparing new and current behaviors.

Overall, these experiments have tested the effectiveness and suitability of each security layer in the proposed multi-layered anomaly detection framework.

The Manhattan distance algorithm provided the best balance of accuracy and performance, achieving an Equal Error Rate of 8.3% with minimal computational overhead.

10 Discussion

10.1 The Fundamental Differences from Current Approach

Traditional spoofing detection methods, such as rule-based and static machine learning-based systems, have several disadvantages that make them inadequate in today’s cybersecurity landscape. Rule-based systems utilize preconfigured rules, such as IP-based geolocation authentication or transactional threshold limits, to detect anomalies. These systems are simple and efficient but suffer from excessive false positives and lack the flexibility to accommodate new attack vectors. For example, a bank relying solely on geographical verification may halt legitimate transactions if a customer frequently travels abroad. Static machine learning-based models can identify known patterns of fraud but fail to recognize new attack techniques unless they are retrained. The need for ongoing retraining makes these models computationally resource-intensive and slow to respond to emerging threats.

Our multi-layered solution overcomes these challenges by using rule-based detection, machine learning, adaptive learning, and dynamic recovery capabilities. Unlike other approaches, our system reduces false positives by cross-verifying suspicious transactions using behavior-based analysis and neural networks. Instead of rigid rule enforcement, our adaptive learning capability (Few-Shot, Zero-Shot Learning) allows the system to detect new cyber-attacks without training. In addition, unlike existing solutions, which employ manual intervention to unwind, our dynamic rollback and mitigation strategies provide real-time responses and self-rollback of transactions, limiting financial loss. This assists banking organizations in averting, detecting, and restoring from attacks more efficiently than ever, providing enhanced security as well as a seamless user experience.

10.2 Benefits

The multi-level spoofing detection and recovery method has far-reaching benefits over traditional security, especially in banking and finance. With the use of advanced innovations such as machine learning, the system increases the level of true positives in fraud detection and decreases false positives so that real customer traffic above the waterline is not needlessly blocked. In contrast to systems that need to be retrained periodically, it can automatically learn new types of spam messages and scams on the fly using approaches such as Few-Shot and Zero-Shot Learning techniques. In urgent situations, it acts quickly to automatically lock down compromised accounts, authenticate the identity of the user, and stop bogus or fraudulent transactions before the financial loss takes place. It also learns from feedback on previous attack patterns to improve itself in an ongoing fashion, increasingly difficult to beat as time goes on.

However, the system comes with its own set of challenges. It can be a complex and resource-intensive IT system to deploy and maintain. Real-time processing requirements may

cause latency if not optimally configured. There is also the danger of inadvertently blocking out valid users, which requires having a strong fallback mechanism in place to win the trust of customers. Also, like any advanced technology, it will eventually become a target and so will need strong internal security. In general, beyond augmenting security with adaptive features and a new proactive approach to threats, its implementation requires great care for the design, as well as extensive testing and continuous supervision.

10.3 Limitations

Several limitations of the system should be mentioned. First, keystroke variability remains a problem, with user fatigue, injury, or switching to other input devices having the potential to alter typing patterns and compromise detection accuracy. Second, while the study involved 50 users, a larger and more diverse sample is necessary to confirm the system's efficacy for larger user populations. Third, the four-week observation period may not be enough to fully capture long-term changes in user behavior, which could affect the system's ability to adapt over time. Finally, the multi-layered architecture, while comprehensive, also introduces additional computational overhead, which could affect system performance in real-time systems.

10.4 Future Work

From these findings, there are several useful avenues for further study. First, we can study how typing patterns change when people type on different devices like phones, tablets, or computers. This will allow us to make the system work on all devices. Second, we must investigate how the emotional state of a person, like stress or excitement, might affect how they type. Third, combining typing rhythms with other habits, such as how an individual uses their mouse, would further secure the system. Fourth, instead of authenticating a person's identity only at log-on, we could authenticate it throughout their whole session to identify intruders sooner. Lastly, we must make the system more robust against those who try to forge another person's typing style. Collectively, these concepts would render the system smarter, safer, and more dependable.

11 Conclusion

Our research presented a multi-layer anomaly detection system that significantly enhances banking security by integrating rule-based detection, machine learning, and keystroke dynamics. Experimental results indicate our system attains 94.2% overall accuracy with a 3.8% False Acceptance Rate, which is significantly better than similar single-layer approaches.

The keystroke dynamics component was very useful, introducing another layer of security that is user-transparent

and difficult for attackers to circumvent. The adaptive learning model was able to achieve the best possible balance of security versus usability by reducing false rejections over time while maintaining good fraud detection rates.

The multi-layer system demonstrates robust performance across various attack channels, with each layer supplementing the strengths of the others. This paper demonstrates the viability of multi-layered solutions incorporating behavioral biometrics for enhanced security in internet banking and other high-risk applications.

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