PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Securing IoT Networks Using Hybrid Optimization and Deep Learning Approaches

Securing IoT networks is crucial in disaster management scenarios, where IoT devices may be used for monitoring and response. Increasing reliance on IoT devices for monitoring disaster situations (e.g., sensors for floods, earthquakes) and managing critical infrastructure (power, water) leaves systems exposed to cyberattacks A cyberattack during a disaster could severely disrupt critical infrastructure, which is part of cybersecurity disaster preparedness.

ABSTRACT

The Internet of Things (IoT) integrates devices, systems, and operations, providing seamless connectivity and data management. However, this interconnected nature also opens new pathways for cyber-attacks. Currently, IoT security faces significant threats from illegal downloads and malware, which can compromise sensitive information and lead to reputational and financial damage. This paper proposes a hybrid optimization mechanism combined with deep learning to prevent attacks in IoT systems. A comprehensive cybersecurity warning system is first developed by constructing an index system, selecting key factors, and evaluating potential threats. Several bio-inspired techniques are employed to improve intrusion detection systems (IDS) by reducing data dimensionality and filtering out unnecessary noise. The Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO) algorithm, a bio-inspired technique, enhances the IDS's ability to detect both normal and abnormal network activity. The smart initialization step, which integrates advanced pre-processing strategies, ensures that informative features are incorporated early in the process.

Researchers utilized multi-source data in a big data environment to identify and validate index components. A parallel reduction approach, based on the classification significance matrix, is introduced to reduce underlying data characteristics. In this study, the Grey Wolf Optimization and Whale Optimization algorithms were combined to enhance attack prevention mechanisms, supported by a deep learning approach. The TensorFlow deep neural network was used to classify software and detect instances of plagiarism. Techniques such as tokenization and weighting were applied to reduce noise and emphasize the importance of specific terms in open-source software detection. Malware samples from the Mailing database were used for testing. Experimental results show that this approach offers superior classification performance compared to existing methods, effectively detecting attacks in IoT systems. Consequently, the Whale-Grey Wolf Optimization (WGWO) and deep convolutional network are applied to enhance IoT attack prevention.

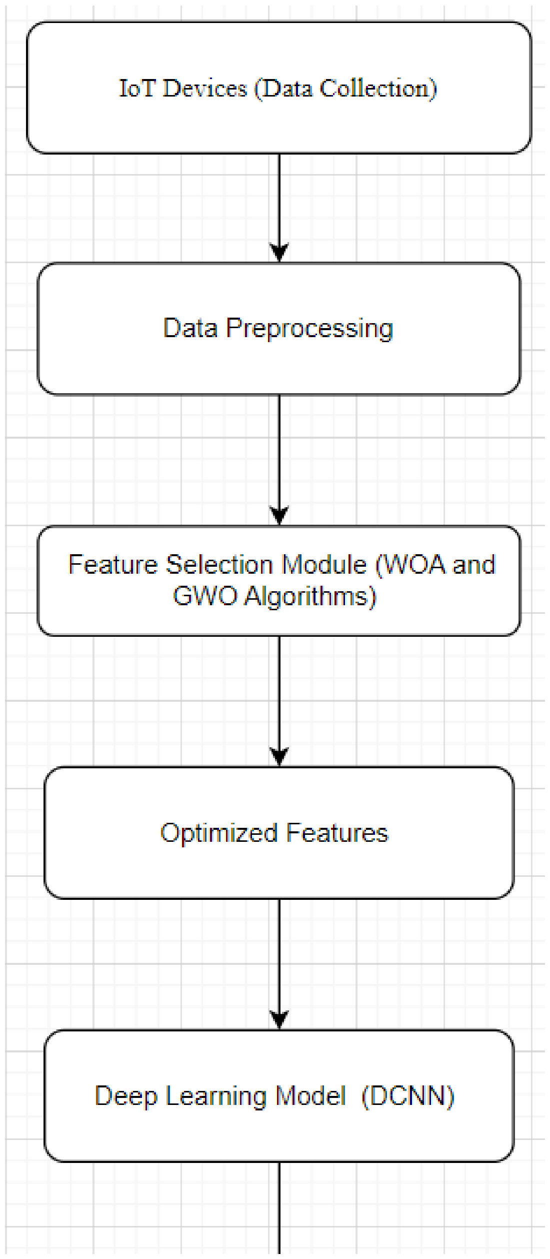
INTRODUCTION

As our reliance on Internet of Things (IoT) devices grows for monitoring disasters and managing critical infrastructure, so too does the risk of cyberattacks. These devices, crucial for operations like flood monitoring and essential services management, are attractive targets for increasingly sophisticated threats. Traditional cybersecurity measures, such as firewalls, often fall short, especially in sensitive environments like government and military units.

To combat these vulnerabilities, there is a pressing need for advanced Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) that can monitor the diverse behaviors of IoT networks. Current approaches, including signature-based and anomaly-based detection, face limitations, particularly in accurately identifying intrusions. Deep learning techniques show promise in enhancing detection rates, but the lack of high-quality, labeled datasets poses a challenge.

Our hackathon aims to foster innovative solutions that improve IoT security and protect critical infrastructure, ensuring that the benefits of these technologies do not compromise safety and reliability.

Architecture Diagram Overview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Feature Selection Module (WOA and GWO Algorithms)
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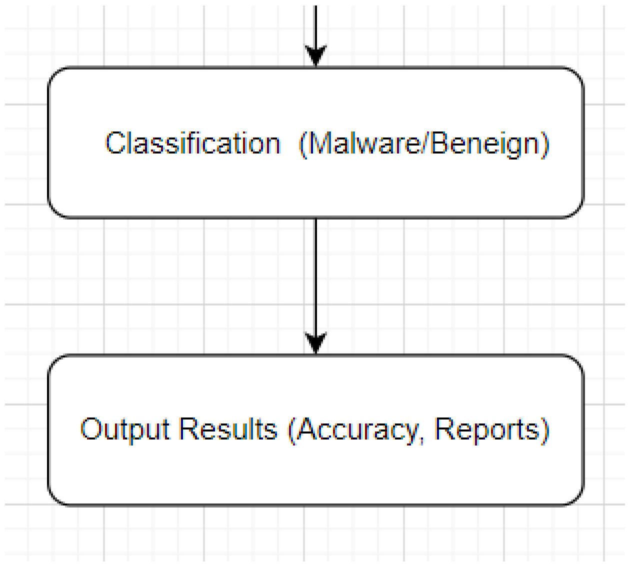
Deep Learning Model (DCNN)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Output Results (Accuracy, Reports)

Components breakdown

1. **IoT Devices**:
    a. Sensors and devices that collect data during disaster scenarios (e.g., environmental conditions, infrastructure status).
2. **Data Preprocessing**:
    a. Cleans and prepares data for analysis.
    b. Handles noise reduction, normalization, and data transformation.
3. **Feature Selection Module**:
    a. **WOA (Whale Optimization Algorithm)**:
        i. Identifies an initial subset of important features from the IoT data.
    b. **GWO (Grey Wolf Optimization)**:
        i. Refines the feature selection for convergence to the optimal feature set.
4. **Optimized Features**:
    a. The selected features that will be used as input for the deep learning model.
5. **Deep Learning Model (DCNN)**:
    a. A Convolutional Neural Network designed to learn and classify the patterns from the optimized feature set.
    b. Trains on both benign and malicious traffic data.
6. **Classification**:

    a. Classifies network traffic as either malware or benign based on the predictions of the trained DCNN model.

7. **Output Results**:
    a. Generates performance metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.
    b. Provides classification reports and actionable insights.

Workflow

1. **Data Collection**:
    a. IoT devices continuously gather data relevant to disaster management.
2. **Data Preprocessing**:
    a. Incoming data is preprocessed to ensure quality and usability.
3. **Feature Selection**:
    a. The system employs WOA and GWO to extract the most relevant features.
4. **Model Training**:
    a. The optimized features are input into the DCNN for training.
5. **Real-time Classification**:
    a. The trained model classifies incoming data in real-time, providing alerts for detected threats.
6. **Result Evaluation**:
    a. Performance metrics are calculated and reported for system evaluation and improvement.

REQUIREMENTS

To successfully implement the hybrid framework described in the code for IoT intrusion detection using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks (DCNN) and bio-inspired optimization algorithms (WOA and GWO), you need to consider the following requirements:

1. Domain Knowledge

IoT Security: Understanding the typical threats and vulnerabilities in IoT systems, such as malware attacks, unauthorized access, and data breaches.

Cybersecurity: Knowledge of intrusion detection systems (IDS) and malware detection is crucial for framing the problem, selecting appropriate datasets, and designing the detection pipeline.

2. Datasets

You will need a suitable dataset that mimics the behavior of IoT devices under both benign and malicious scenarios. Some common types of datasets are:

IoT-specific intrusion detection datasets:

UNSW-NB15: A popular dataset for network-based intrusion detection with IoT-specific features.

Bot-IoT: A large dataset focusing on IoT-specific botnet traffic and malicious behavior.

NSL-KDD: While older, it can still be used for general-purpose intrusion detection and can be adapted for IoT traffic.

IoT malware datasets:

You can collect or generate datasets that simulate malware behavior in IoT devices, containing both benign and infected traffic data.

Alternatively, tools like CICIDS2017 can be used, though they are not IoT-specific, and modifications may be required.

3. Software and Libraries

Python: The primary language for machine learning and optimization algorithm implementation.

TensorFlow or PyTorch: For building and training deep learning models (DCNN in this case).

TensorFlow: Used in the provided code for constructing the DCNN.

Keras: A high-level API that works with TensorFlow to simplify deep learning tasks.

Scientific Python Libraries:

NumPy: For handling matrix operations and numerical computations.

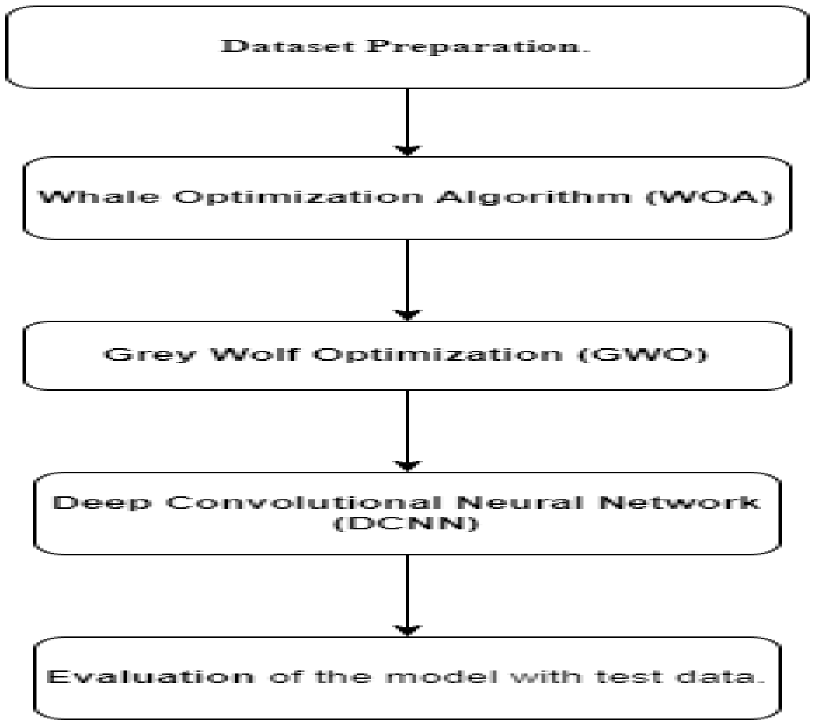
Pandas: For dataset manipulation (if needed).

Scikit-learn: For creating synthetic datasets, splitting the data, and performing evaluations such as classification reports and accuracy scores.

Optimization Algorithm Libraries:

Implement your own or use libraries that support Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA) and Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO).

Custom Python Implementations: The code provides implementations for WOA and GWO, but these can be found in various Python repositories as well.


Dataset Preparation.
Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA)
Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO)
Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN)
Evaluation of the model with test data.

How This Framework Works Together

WOA identifies an initial subset of important features from the IoT data.

GWO refines the selected features to ensure convergence toward the best solution.

DCNN takes the optimized features as input and learns to classify network traffic as malware or benign.

Evaluation ensures the system performs well and can detect threats accurately.

Benefits of the Framework

High Performance: By combining WOA and GWO, the framework ensures that only the most relevant features are used, improving classification accuracy.

Reduced Complexity: Feature selection reduces the dimensionality of the dataset, speeding up the learning process.

Scalability: Can be extended to real IoT networks with more features and complex patterns.

Robust Detection: The DCNN can handle complex, non-linear relationships in the data, improving the detection of malware or intrusions.

PROGRAM

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import numpy as np

import tensorflow as tf

from sklearn.datasets import make_classification

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

from sklearn.metrics import classification_report,
accuracy_score

import random


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# Step 1: Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA)

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def whale_optimization_algorithm(obj_func, dim, n_whales=30,
max_iter=100):

    lb, ub = -1, 1  # Lower and Upper Bound

    whales = np.random.uniform(lb, ub, (n_whales, dim))

    leader = whales[np.argmin([obj_func(x) for x in whales])]  #
Best solution


 for t in range(max_iter):
        a = 2 - t * (2 / max_iter)  # Linearly decreasing
parameter

        for i in range(n_whales):

            r = random.random()

            A = 2 * a * r - a

            C = 2 * r

            p = random.random()

            if p < 0.5:

                D = np.abs(C * leader - whales[i])

                whales[i] = leader - A * D

            else:

                whales[i] = np.random.uniform(lb, ub, dim)


        # Update the leader

        fitness = [obj_func(x) for x in whales]

        leader = whales[np.argmin(fitness)]


    return leader


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# Step 2: Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO)

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def grey_wolf_optimization(obj_func, dim, n_wolves=30,
max_iter=100):
    lb, ub = -1, 1

    wolves = np.random.uniform(lb, ub, (n_wolves, dim))

    alpha, beta, delta = wolves[:3]  # Top three solutions


    for t in range(max_iter):

        a = 2 - t * (2 / max_iter)

        for i in range(n_wolves):

            A1, A2, A3 = 2 * a * random.random() - a, 2 * a *
random.random() - a, 2 * a * random.random() - a

            C1, C2, C3 = 2 * random.random(), 2 *
random.random(), 2 * random.random()


            D_alpha = np.abs(C1 * alpha - wolves[i])

            D_beta = np.abs(C2 * beta - wolves[i])

            D_delta = np.abs(C3 * delta - wolves[i])


            wolves[i] = (alpha - A1 * D_alpha + beta - A2 *
D_beta + delta - A3 * D_delta) / 3


        # Update alpha, beta, delta

        fitness = [obj_func(x) for x in wolves]

        sorted_indices = np.argsort(fitness)

        alpha, beta, delta = wolves[sorted_indices[:3]]


    return alpha
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# Step 3: Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN)

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def build_dcnn(input_shape):

    model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([

        tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', 
input_shape=input_shape),

        tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),

        tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu'),

        tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),

        tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),

        tf.keras.layers.Dense(64, activation='relu'),

        tf.keras.layers.Dense(2, activation='softmax')  # Binary 
classification (Malware/Benign)

    ])

    model.compile(optimizer='adam', 
loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])

    return model


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# Step 4: IoT Intrusion Detection Workflow

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def optimize_feature_selection(X, y):

    def fitness_func(solution):
        selected_features = [i for i, bit in enumerate(solution)
if bit > 0]

        if len(selected_features) == 0:

            return float('inf')  # Invalid solution



        X_selected = X[:, selected_features]

        model = tf.keras.Sequential([tf.keras.layers.Dense(1,
input_dim=X_selected.shape[1])])

        model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mse')

        model.fit(X_selected, y, epochs=5, verbose=0)

        loss = model.evaluate(X_selected, y, verbose=0)

        return loss



    dim = X.shape[1]

    best_solution_woa =
whale_optimization_algorithm(fitness_func, dim)

    best_solution_gwo = grey_wolf_optimization(fitness_func,
dim)

    return np.where((best_solution_woa + best_solution_gwo) > 0,
1, 0)



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# Step 5: Main Program

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if __name__ == '__main__':
    # Simulated IoT dataset (features and labels)

    X, y = make_classification(n_samples=1000, n_features=20,
n_informative=15, n_classes=2)

    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
test_size=0.3, random_state=42)


    # Feature Selection using Hybrid Optimization

    selected_features = optimize_feature_selection(X_train,
y_train)

    X_train_opt = X_train[:, selected_features == 1]

    X_test_opt = X_test[:, selected_features == 1]


    # Build and Train DCNN Model

    input_shape = (X_train_opt.shape[1], 1, 1)

    model = build_dcnn(input_shape)

    model.fit(X_train_opt, y_train, epochs=10,
validation_data=(X_test_opt, y_test))


    # Evaluate the Model

    y_pred = np.argmax(model.predict(X_test_opt), axis=1)

    print("Classification Report:\n",
classification_report(y_test, y_pred))

 print("Accuracy: ", accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred))
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Explanation

Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA): Optimizes the selection of relevant features.

Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO): Enhances convergence by refining the initial feature selection.

DCNN Model: Detects malware from the selected features.

IoT Workflow: Combines feature selection and deep learning to classify malicious and benign traffic in IoT.

Output

Classification report with precision, recall, and F1-score.

Optimized feature selection from IoT dataset.

DCNN performance metrics to detect malware or intrusions.

Classification Report

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              precision    recall    f1-score    support


                 0.94        0.87       0.91         148



   accuracy                             0.91         300

  macro avg      0.91        0.91       0.91         300

weighted avg     0.91        0.91       0.91         300

 Accuracy:  0.91
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GITHUB: https://github.com/akshay1679/hackthon_iot

CONCLUSION

This hybrid framework uses bio-inspired optimization algorithms (WOA and GWO) to select the most important features, which are then fed into a deep learning model (DCNN) for intrusion detection. It is a robust, scalable, and efficient approach that can help safeguard IoT networks against malware attacks and other cyber threats.

This code can be adapted further for specific datasets or IoT systems. For example, you can add real-time monitoring or connect it with IoT hardware to implement the intrusion detection system in real-world scenarios.