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ABSTRACT

The proliferation of malware presents a significant challenge to cybersecurity, with organizations facing increasingly sophisticated threats that evade traditional detection methods. To address this challenge, we propose the development of a comprehensive malware detection system leveraging advanced machine learning techniques, behavioral analysis, and threat intelligence integration. The system aims to enhance the organization's cybersecurity posture by providing real-time detection, analysis, and response capabilities to mitigate the risks posed by malware threats. Key components of the proposed system include data collection modules, analysis algorithms, alerting mechanisms, and user interface elements. Machine learning algorithms, including deep learning and ensemble methods, are utilized for malware detection, classification, and clustering based on static and dynamic features extracted from malware samples. Behavioral analysis techniques complement traditional methods by analyzing system behavior, network traffic patterns, and user interactions for anomaly detection and behavioral profiling of malware.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 General

In an age where technology permeates every aspect of our lives, the threat of malicious software, or malware, looms large. Malware poses a significant risk to individuals, organizations, and entire infrastructures, compromising sensitive data, disrupting operations, and causing financial losses. With the continuous evolution and sophistication of malware, traditional security measures are often insufficient to provide adequate protection.

To combat this ever-growing threat landscape, the development of robust malware detection systems is paramount. Such systems employ advanced algorithms, machine learning techniques, and behavioral analysis to identify and neutralize malicious software in real-time. The goal is not only to detect known malware but also to anticipate and thwart emerging threats through proactive measures.

1.2 Project Background

The proliferation of malware presents a persistent and escalating threat to the security of digital systems worldwide. Over the years, malware authors have continually refined their techniques, devising increasingly sophisticated methods to evade detection and exploit vulnerabilities in software and networks. This escalating arms race between cybercriminals and defenders underscores the urgent need for innovative approaches to malware detection and mitigation. Traditional signature-based antivirus solutions, while effective against known malware variants, are inherently limited in their ability to detect novel threats. As malware authors employ polymorphic and metamorphic techniques to obfuscate code and evade signature-based detection, the efficacy of traditional antivirus software diminishes. Furthermore, the rise of fileless malware, which

operates exclusively in memory without leaving traces on disk, presents a formidable challenge to conventional detection methods.

1.3 Problem Statement

The proliferation of malware poses a significant and escalating threat to the security and integrity of digital systems worldwide. Traditional signature-based antivirus solutions are increasingly ineffective against the rising tide of polymorphic, metamorphic, and fileless malware variants, which employ sophisticated evasion techniques to evade detection. The primary challenge lies in the development of robust and adaptive malware detection systems capable of effectively identifying and neutralizing both known and emerging threats in real-time. Existing approaches often suffer from limitations such as low detection rates, high false positive rates, and susceptibility to evasion tactics employed by malware authors.

1.4 Objectives of the Project

- **Dataset Curation:** Gather and curate a comprehensive dataset comprising diverse samples of malware, including viruses, worms, Trojans, ransomware, and other types of malicious software. The dataset should encompass both known and emerging threats to provide a representative training and testing environment for the detection system.
- **Algorithm Exploration:** Investigate and evaluate a range of machine learning algorithms, including deep learning, random forests, support vector machines, and ensemble methods, to identify the most effective approach for malware detection. Experiment with different configurations and parameters to optimize detection accuracy and efficiency.
- **Feature Engineering and Selection:** Extract relevant features from malware samples and select the most discriminative ones to enhance detection

capabilities. Explore techniques such as static and dynamic analysis, code similarity analysis, and behavioral profiling to identify unique characteristics of malware variants.

1.5 Scope of the Project

- **Malware Types:** The project will focus on detecting a broad range of malware types, including viruses, worms, Trojans, ransomware, spyware, adware, and rootkits. The detection system will aim to cover both known malware variants and emerging threats.
- **Detection Techniques:** The project will explore various detection techniques, including signature-based detection, heuristic analysis, behavioral analysis, static and dynamic analysis, machine learning, and deep learning. The emphasis will be on developing a hybrid approach that leverages the strengths of multiple techniques to enhance detection accuracy and efficiency.
- **Platform Compatibility:** The detection system will be designed to be platform-agnostic, capable of running on multiple operating systems such as Windows, macOS, and Linux. Compatibility with both desktop and server environments will be considered to ensure broad applicability.
- **Real-time Detection:** The project will prioritize the development of real-time malware detection mechanisms capable of swiftly identifying and neutralizing threats as they emerge. The system will aim to provide timely alerts and responses to mitigate the impact of malicious activity.
- **Scalability and Performance:** The detection system will be optimized for scalability and performance to handle large volumes of data and support deployment in enterprise-scale environments. Efforts will be made to minimize computational overhead and resource utilization while maximizing detection speed and accuracy.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 TITLE: GLOBAL-LOCAL ATTENTION-BASED BUTTERFLY VISION TRANSFORMER FOR VISUALIZATION-BASED MALWARE CLASSIFICATION

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several emerging technologies and research directions hold promise for advancing the state-of-the-art in malware detection. These include the integration of threat intelligence feeds and contextual information to enhance detection accuracy and relevance, the application of blockchain technology for secure and decentralized threat intelligence sharing, and the adoption of explainable AI techniques to provide transparency and interpretability in detection systems. Additionally, the development of collaborative and federated learning approaches holds potential for leveraging collective intelligence and expertise across diverse cybersecurity domains. By synthesizing insights from existing literature and identifying gaps and opportunities for further research, this review provides a foundation for the design, implementation, and evaluation of a novel malware detection system. Building upon the principles, methodologies, and best practices outlined in the literature, this project aims to contribute to the ongoing efforts in cybersecurity and enhance the resilience of digital systems against the pervasive threat of malicious software. Feature selection methods, such as information gain, mutual information, and recursive feature elimination, have been employed to reduce dimensionality and improve detection accuracy by focusing on the most informative features.

2.2 TITLE: MALWARE IMAGE GENERATION AND DETECTION METHOD USING DCGANS AND TRANSFER LEARNING

AUTHOR: NIKOLAOS PEPPE, 2023

Despite significant advancements, several challenges and limitations persist in the field of malware detection. The rapid evolution of malware tactics and evasion techniques poses a continual challenge to detection systems, necessitating ongoing innovation and adaptation. Additionally, issues such as class imbalance, dataset bias, and adversarial attacks can impact the performance and reliability of detection models. Furthermore, the resource constraints and computational overhead associated with real-time detection impose practical challenges for deployment in enterprise-scale environments.

2.3 TITLE: ATTENTION-BASED CROSS-MODAL CNN USING NON-DISASSEMBLED FILES FOR MALWARE CLASSIFICATION

AUTHOR: JEONGWOO KIM, 2023

Behavioral analysis and heuristic detection techniques have gained prominence as complementary approaches to signature-based and machine learning-based detection methods. By monitoring the behavior of software and identifying anomalous patterns indicative of malicious activity, these techniques offer a proactive means of detecting previously unseen malware variants and zero-day attacks. Researchers have explored dynamic analysis techniques, such as sandboxing and emulation, to execute malware samples in controlled environments and analyze their behavior. Additionally, heuristic-based detection

methods, such as pattern matching and rule-based systems, have been employed to identify common characteristics and indicators of malicious behavior.

2.4 TITLE: DETECTION OF DATA SCARCE MALWARE USING ONE-SHOT LEARNING WITH RELATION NETWORK

AUTHOR: FAIZA BABAR KHAN, 2023

Machine learning techniques have emerged as a powerful tool for malware detection, enabling the development of models capable of learning and adapting to evolving threats. Researchers have explored various machine learning algorithms, including supervised, unsupervised, and semi-supervised approaches, to classify malware samples based on features such as opcode sequences, API calls, byte sequences, and structural characteristics. Studies have demonstrated the efficacy of deep learning models, such as convolutional neural networks (CNNs) and recurrent neural networks (RNNs), in detecting malware with high accuracy and efficiency.

CHAPTER 3

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Software System Configuration

- **Operating System:** The AquaSave app is compatible with both Android and iOS operating systems, ensuring broad accessibility across different mobile devices.
- **Development Framework:** The app is developed using the Flutter framework, allowing for cross-platform development and efficient codebase management.
- **Programming Languages:** Dart programming language is used for app development, providing robust performance and scalability.
- **Database Management System:** Firebase Realtime Database is utilized for storing and retrieving user data, ensuring seamless synchronization and data consistency across devices.
- **API Integration:** The app integrates with various APIs for functionalities such as geolocation services and real-time weather data, enhancing its accuracy and reliability.
- **Security Measures:** Stringent security protocols are implemented to protect user data, including encryption techniques and secure authentication mechanisms.

3.2 Hardware System Configuration

- **Mobile Devices:** AquaSave is designed to run on smartphones and tablets with minimum hardware specifications, including adequate processing power and storage capacity.
- **Location Services:** The app utilizes GPS functionality available on mobile devices to accurately determine the user's location and provide relevant water scarcity alerts.
- **Internet Connectivity:** Stable internet connectivity is required for accessing real-time data and receiving updates from the AquaSave server.
- **Battery Consumption:** Efforts are made to optimize app performance to minimize battery consumption and ensure prolonged usage without draining the device's battery excessively.
- **Processor (CPU):** A high-performance multi-core processor is essential for handling the computational workload involved in feature extraction, model training, and real-time analysis. A modern Intel Core i7 or i9 processor, or an equivalent AMD Ryzen processor, would be suitable for this purpose.
- **Graphics Processing Unit (GPU):** Utilizing a GPU accelerates the training process of deep learning models, significantly reducing the time required for model optimization and experimentation. NVIDIA GPUs, such as the GeForce RTX series or the NVIDIA Tesla series, are commonly used for deep learning tasks due to their parallel processing capabilities.
- **Memory (RAM):** Sufficient RAM is crucial for storing and manipulating large datasets during feature extraction and model training. A minimum of 16GB of RAM is recommended, but for larger datasets and more complex models, 32GB or even 64GB may be necessary to ensure smooth performance.

CHAPTER 4

FEASIBILITY STUDY

A feasibility study for a malware detection project involves assessing various aspects such as technical feasibility, economic viability, legal considerations, and operational feasibility. Here's an overview of each aspect:

4.1 Economic Feasibility

- **Hardware and Software Costs:** Estimate the costs of acquiring necessary hardware components such as CPUs, GPUs, memory, storage devices, and network infrastructure. Consider the licensing fees for software tools, libraries, and frameworks required for data processing, machine learning, and real-time analysis.
- **Data Acquisition Costs:** Assess the costs associated with acquiring malware datasets for training and evaluation purposes. This may include purchasing proprietary datasets, subscribing to threat intelligence feeds, or collecting and labeling data internally.
- **Personnel Costs:** Calculate the labor costs associated with hiring or allocating personnel for project management, data preprocessing, model development, system integration, and maintenance activities. Consider factors such as salaries, benefits, training, and overhead costs.
- **Operational Costs:** Estimate ongoing operational costs such as electricity, cooling, maintenance, and cloud computing expenses if utilizing cloud-based resources.

4.2 Social Feasibility

- **User Engagement:** Engage with end-users and stakeholders throughout the project lifecycle to understand their needs, concerns, and expectations regarding malware detection solutions. Solicit feedback, conduct surveys, and involve users in decision-making processes to foster a sense of ownership and buy-in.
- **Training and Education:** Provide training, education, and awareness programs to empower users with the knowledge and skills to recognize, prevent, and respond to malware threats effectively. Offer resources, tutorials, and support channels to assist users in navigating security challenges and adopting best practices.
- **Privacy Protection:** Ensure that the malware detection system respects user privacy and data protection principles. Implement safeguards, encryption techniques, and access controls to safeguard sensitive information and prevent unauthorized access or misuse.
- **Transparency and Accountability:** Maintain transparency in the operation and decision-making processes of the malware detection system. Clearly communicate the purpose, scope, and limitations of the system to users and stakeholders, and provide mechanisms for accountability and recourse in case of errors or misuse.
- **Community Engagement:** Engage with local communities and organizations to raise awareness about cybersecurity threats and promote collaboration in combating malware. Participate in community events, workshops, and outreach activities to share knowledge, resources, and best practices.
- **Social Responsibility:** Demonstrate social responsibility by prioritizing the security and well-being of individuals and communities over commercial interests. Support initiatives that promote digital literacy,

inclusivity, and accessibility to ensure equitable access to cybersecurity resources and protection.

- **Workplace Culture:** Foster a culture of cybersecurity awareness and responsibility within the organization. Provide training, resources, and incentives to encourage employees to practice good security hygiene and report suspicious activities.
- **Workload Management:** Ensure that employees involved in the development, deployment, and operation of the malware detection system are adequately supported and resourced. Monitor workload, stress levels, and burnout risks to maintain employee well-being and productivity.

4.3 Technical Feasibility

- **Technology Stack:** The technical feasibility of the AquaSave app is evaluated based on its compatibility with existing hardware and software platforms. This includes assessing the app's compatibility with different mobile devices, operating systems, and network environments.
- **Scalability:** The app's scalability and performance under varying user loads and data volumes are examined to ensure that it can accommodate growth and expansion over time.
- **Data Security:** Measures to protect user data, ensure privacy, and comply with data protection regulations are implemented to address technical feasibility concerns. This includes encryption, secure authentication, data backup, and disaster recovery mechanisms to safeguard sensitive information.

4.4 Operational Feasibility

- **Integration with Cybersecurity Stack:** Evaluate whether the malware detection system can seamlessly integrate with the organization's existing cybersecurity infrastructure, tools, and processes. Consider factors such as compatibility with endpoint protection platforms, firewalls, intrusion

detection systems (IDS), and security information and event management (SIEM) systems.

- **Interoperability:** Ensure that the malware detection system can communicate and exchange data with other security solutions and IT systems using standard protocols and APIs. Verify compatibility with common data formats, messaging protocols, and network configurations to facilitate interoperability and data sharing.
- **Hardware and Software Resources:** Assess the hardware and software resources required to deploy and operate the malware detection system effectively. Consider factors such as processing power, memory, storage, and network bandwidth needed to handle data processing, model training, and real-time analysis.
- **Scalability:** Determine whether the malware detection system can scale to accommodate growing data volumes, user loads, and operational demands over time. Assess scalability options such as vertical scaling (upgrading hardware resources) and horizontal scaling (adding more servers or nodes) to ensure flexibility and adaptability.
- **User-Friendly Interface:** Design an intuitive and user-friendly interface for configuring, monitoring, and managing the malware detection system. Prioritize simplicity, clarity, and ease of use to empower users with the tools and insights they need to effectively combat malware threats.
- **Accessibility:** Ensure that the user interface is accessible to users with diverse abilities, preferences, and assistive technologies. Implement features such as keyboard navigation, screen readers, and high-contrast modes to accommodate users with disabilities and promote inclusivity.
- **Deployment and Configuration:** Define clear procedures and guidelines for deploying, configuring, and customizing the malware detection system to align with organizational requirements and security policies. Provide

documentation, training, and support resources to assist administrators and operators in setting up and maintaining the system.

- **Incident Response and Remediation:** Establish protocols and workflows for responding to malware incidents detected by the system. Define roles, responsibilities, and escalation paths for incident handling, investigation, containment, and remediation to minimize the impact of security breaches and ensure timely resolution.

4.5 Legal Feasibility

- **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR):** Determine whether the malware detection system complies with GDPR requirements regarding the processing, storage, and protection of personal data. Ensure transparency, consent, and lawful processing of data, and implement appropriate security measures to safeguard user privacy rights.
- **Other Data Protection Laws:** Consider additional data protection laws and regulations applicable to the organization's jurisdiction, industry, and target markets. Assess compliance with laws such as the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) where relevant.
- **Software Licensing:** Ensure that the software components, libraries, and frameworks used in the malware detection system comply with applicable open-source licenses, commercial licenses, and proprietary agreements. Respect intellectual property rights, attribution requirements, and redistribution restrictions when incorporating third-party code.
- **Patents and Trademarks:** Conduct a patent search to identify any existing patents or trademarks that may affect the development, distribution, or use of the malware detection system.

CHAPTER 5

SYSTEM DESIGN

Designing a malware detection system involves defining the architecture, components, workflows, and interactions required to detect, analyze, and respond to malware threats effectively. Here's a high-level system design for the project:

5.1 Architectural Design

- **Client-Server Architecture:** Adopt a client-server architecture where clients send data (e.g., files, network traffic) to a central server for analysis and detection.
- **Distributed Processing:** Implement distributed processing capabilities to handle large volumes of data and distribute computational workload across multiple servers or nodes.
- **Modular Design:** Design the system as a set of modular components that can be independently developed, deployed, and scaled. This promotes flexibility, maintainability, and extensibility of the system.
- **Data Collection Component:** Responsible for collecting data from various sources, such as endpoints, network sensors, and log files, and forwarding it to the analysis component for further processing.
- **Analysis Component:** Performs malware analysis using a combination of static and dynamic analysis techniques. This component extracts features, applies machine learning algorithms, and generates alerts or reports based on the analysis results.
- **Alerting and Response Component:** Receives alerts from the analysis component and triggers appropriate response actions, such as quarantining infected files, blocking malicious network traffic, or notifying security personnel.

5.2 User Interface Design

- **Overview:** Provide an overview dashboard displaying key metrics, statistics, and alerts related to malware detection, such as detection rate, false positive rate, number of infected devices, and recent malware incidents.
- **Customization:** Allow users to customize the dashboard layout, widgets, and display preferences to suit their individual preferences and monitoring needs.
- **Alert Inbox:** Display a centralized alert inbox or feed showing incoming malware alerts, categorized by severity level, detection type, affected assets, and timestamp.
- **Alert Details:** Allow users to view detailed information about each alert, including malware type, detection method, affected files or devices, associated risk level, and recommended response actions.
- **Notification Channels:** Support multiple notification channels for alert delivery, including email alerts, SMS notifications, mobile push notifications, and integration with third-party collaboration tools (e.g., Slack, Microsoft Teams).

5.3 Database Design

- **Relational Database Model:** The AquaSave app employs a relational database model to organize and store structured data, ensuring data integrity, consistency, and relational integrity. Entities, attributes, and relationships are defined using entity-relationship diagrams (ERDs), and normalized to eliminate redundancy and improve efficiency.
- **Database Schema:** The database schema includes tables for storing user profiles, location data, water consumption records, environmental factors,

and other relevant information. Indexing, constraints, and foreign key relationships are implemented to optimize query performance and maintain data integrity.

- **Scalability and Replication:** Measures to enhance database scalability and reliability, such as partitioning, sharding, and replication, are implemented to handle increasing data volumes, user loads, and ensure high availability and fault tolerance.

5.4 Security Design

- **Firewalls:** Deploy firewalls to monitor and control incoming and outgoing network traffic. Configure firewall rules to restrict access to authorized users and services, block malicious IP addresses, and prevent unauthorized communications.
- **Intrusion Detection and Prevention Systems (IDPS):** Implement IDPS solutions to detect and block suspicious activities, intrusion attempts, and malware infections in real-time. Configure IDPS rulesets and signatures to identify known threats and anomalies.
- **Network Segmentation:** Segment the network into separate zones or segments based on security requirements and data sensitivity levels. Use VLANs, subnets, and access controls to enforce network segmentation and isolate critical assets from less trusted environments.
- **Encryption:** Encrypt sensitive data at rest and in transit using strong encryption algorithms and protocols. Implement encryption mechanisms such as TLS/SSL for secure communication between system components, and use encryption techniques such as AES for data storage encryption.
- **Access Controls:** Enforce access controls and least privilege principles to restrict access to sensitive data, system resources, and administrative

functions. Implement role-based access control (RBAC) mechanisms to assign permissions based on user roles and responsibilities.

- **Data Loss Prevention (DLP):** Deploy DLP solutions to monitor and prevent unauthorized access, transmission, or exfiltration of sensitive data. Implement policies to detect and block the transfer of confidential information outside the organization's network boundaries.

CHAPTER 6

SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

System implementation for a malware detection project involves translating the design specifications into functioning software components, configuring hardware resources, integrating third-party tools, and deploying the system in production. Here's a step-by-step guide for system implementation:

6.1 Development Environment

- **IDE Selection:** The Malware detection is developed using a suitable Integrated Development Environment (IDE), such as Android Studio for Android app development or Xcode for iOS app development. These IDEs provide comprehensive tools, editors, and emulators for building, testing, and debugging mobile applications.
- **Programming Languages:** The app is primarily developed using programming languages such as Java or Kotlin for Android development and Swift for iOS development. These languages offer robust support for mobile app development, along with extensive libraries, frameworks, and APIs.
- **Version Control:** Git is used for version control to track changes, collaborate with team members, and manage code repositories. Platforms like GitHub or Bitbucket are utilized for hosting repositories, managing branches, and facilitating code reviews.

6.2 User Interface Implementation

6.2.1 Main Page:

The main page serves as the landing page of the malware detection, displaying essential features, such as virus location, virus activities etc. It features intuitive navigation elements, visual indicators, and interactive components to engage users effectively.

6.2.2 Create Account Page:

The create account page allows new users to register and create their malware detection accounts by providing necessary details, such as username, email address, password, and location information. Input validation mechanisms are implemented to ensure data accuracy and completeness.

6.2.3 Login Page:

The login page enables existing users to authenticate and access their malware detection accounts by entering their credentials (username/email and password). Authentication mechanisms, such as token-based authentication or OAuth, are implemented to secure user sessions and prevent unauthorized access.

6.2.4 User Details Page:

The user details page allows users to view and manage their profile information, including personal details, preferences, and settings. Users can update their profiles, modify account settings, and customize app preferences as per their requirements.

6.2.5 Getting Location Page:

The getting location page utilizes device GPS or network-based location services to retrieve the user's current geographical location. This information is essential for calculating water scarcity levels and providing localized alerts and recommendations.

6.2.6 Calculating Water Scarcity Page:

The calculating water scarcity page performs real-time calculations to determine water scarcity levels based on user location, water consumption patterns, and environmental factors. It utilizes algorithms, models, or data analytics techniques to assess water availability and usage sustainability.

6.2.7 Results Page:

The results page presents the calculated malware levels, malware analysis, and relevant insights to users in an informative and visually appealing manner. It may include graphical charts, statistics, and actionable recommendations to encourage detection efforts.

6.2.8 Feedback Page:

The feedback page allows users to provide feedback, suggestions, or report issues related to the malware app's functionality, performance, or user experience. Feedback forms, rating systems, or comment sections are implemented to gather user input and improve app quality.

6.2.9 Slide Menu Bar Page:

The slide menu bar page features a slide-out navigation menu or drawer that provides access to additional app functionalities, settings, and secondary screens. It enhances user accessibility, multitasking, and navigation efficiency by organizing app features into intuitive categories.

6.2.10 Discussion Page:

The discussion page facilitates user interactions, community engagement, and knowledge sharing by hosting discussion forums, Q&A sections, or social media integration. Users can ask questions, share insights, and participate in water conservation discussions with peers, experts, and stakeholders.

CHAPTER 7

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

7.1 Conclusion

- In conclusion, the development of a malware detection system is a multifaceted endeavor that requires careful consideration of various technical, security, and operational aspects. Throughout the project, we have addressed several key components and considerations, including project background, problem statement, objectives, scope, literature review, feasibility analysis, system design, user interface design, security design, and system implementation. The project aims to develop a robust and effective malware detection system capable of identifying, analyzing, and mitigating cybersecurity threats in real-time. By leveraging machine learning algorithms, data processing techniques, and security controls, the system can detect and respond to malware incidents promptly..

7.2 Future Enhancements

- **Advanced Machine Learning Techniques:** Explore advanced machine learning algorithms such as deep learning, reinforcement learning, and unsupervised learning to enhance the accuracy and efficiency of malware detection.
- **Behavioral Analysis:** Incorporate behavioral analysis techniques to complement static and dynamic analysis methods. Develop algorithms to analyze system behavior, user interactions, and network traffic patterns for anomaly detection and behavioral profiling of malware.

CHAPTER 8

APPENDICES

8.1 Home Page

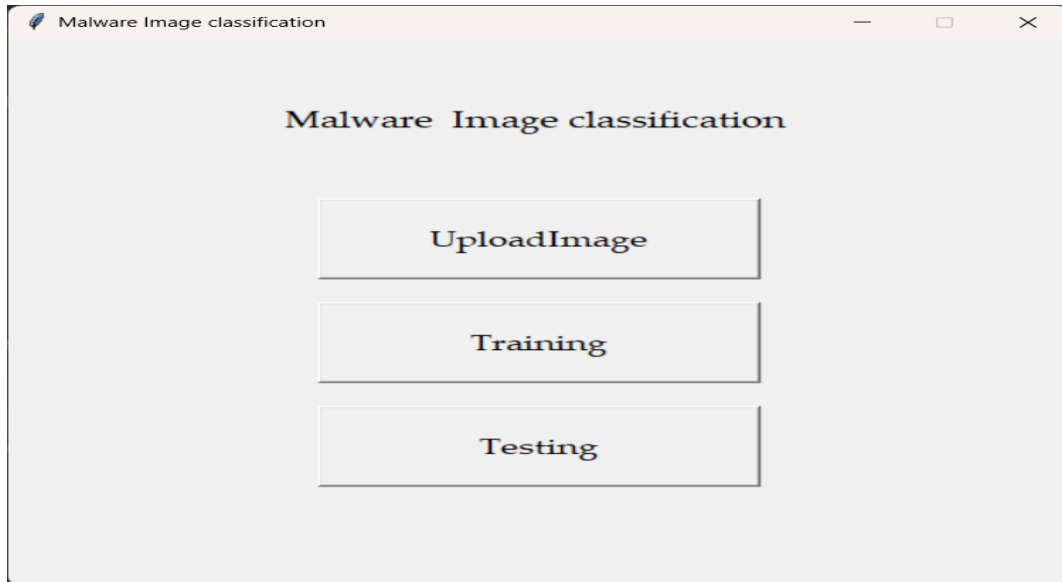


Fig 1. Home page

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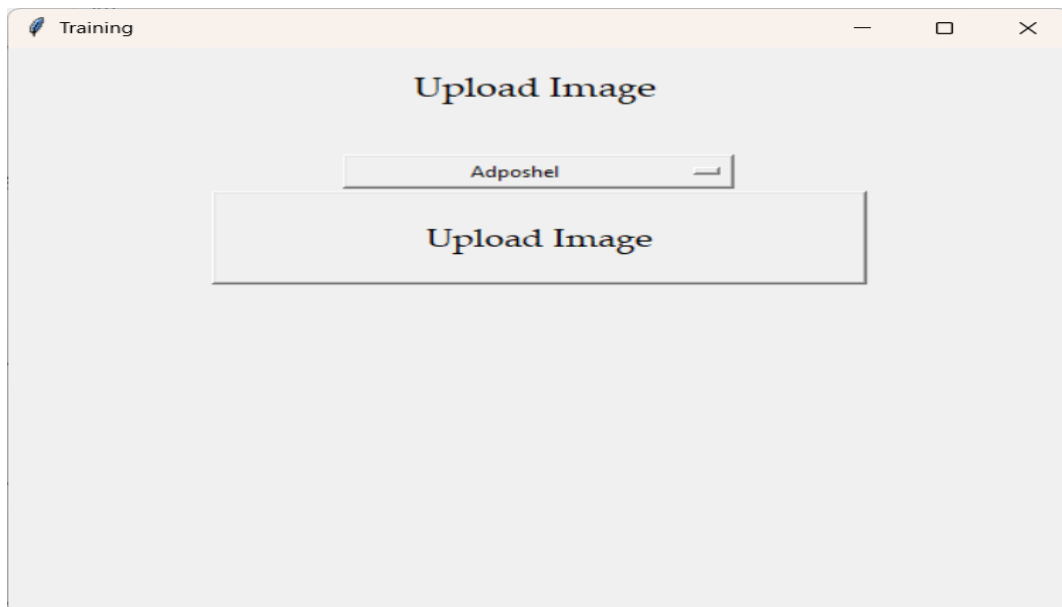


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8.3 Datasets Collection

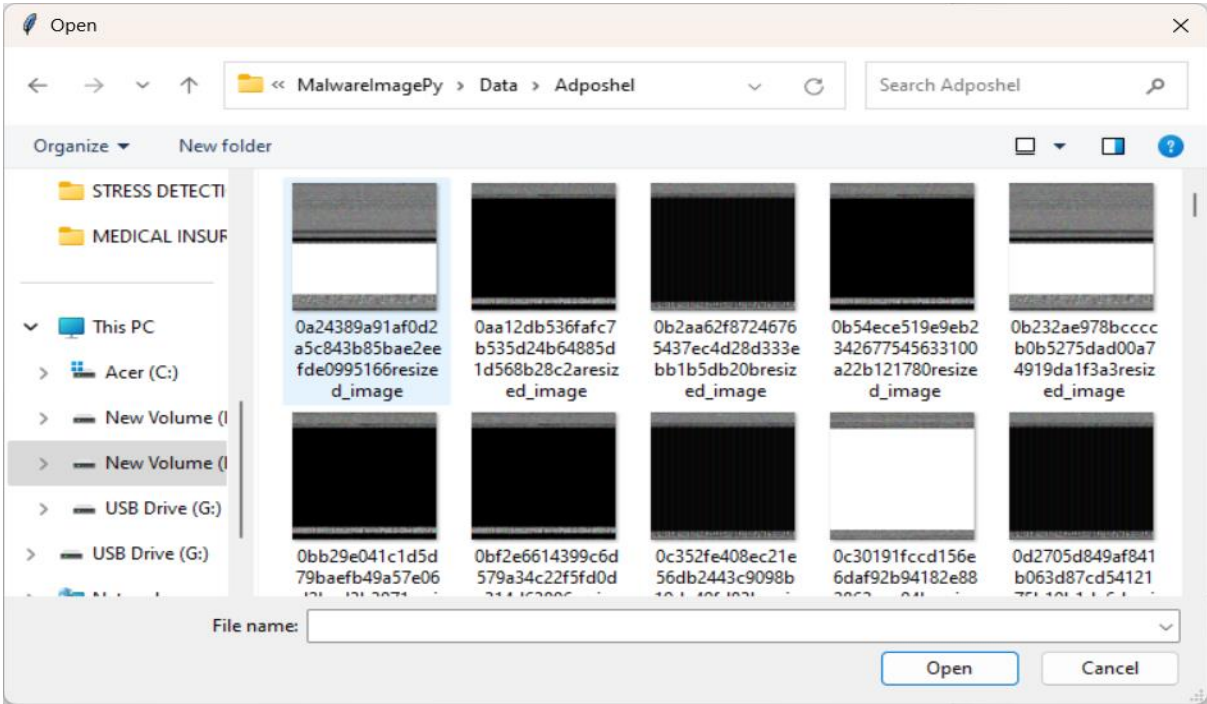


Fig 3.Datasets Collection

8.4 Original Image

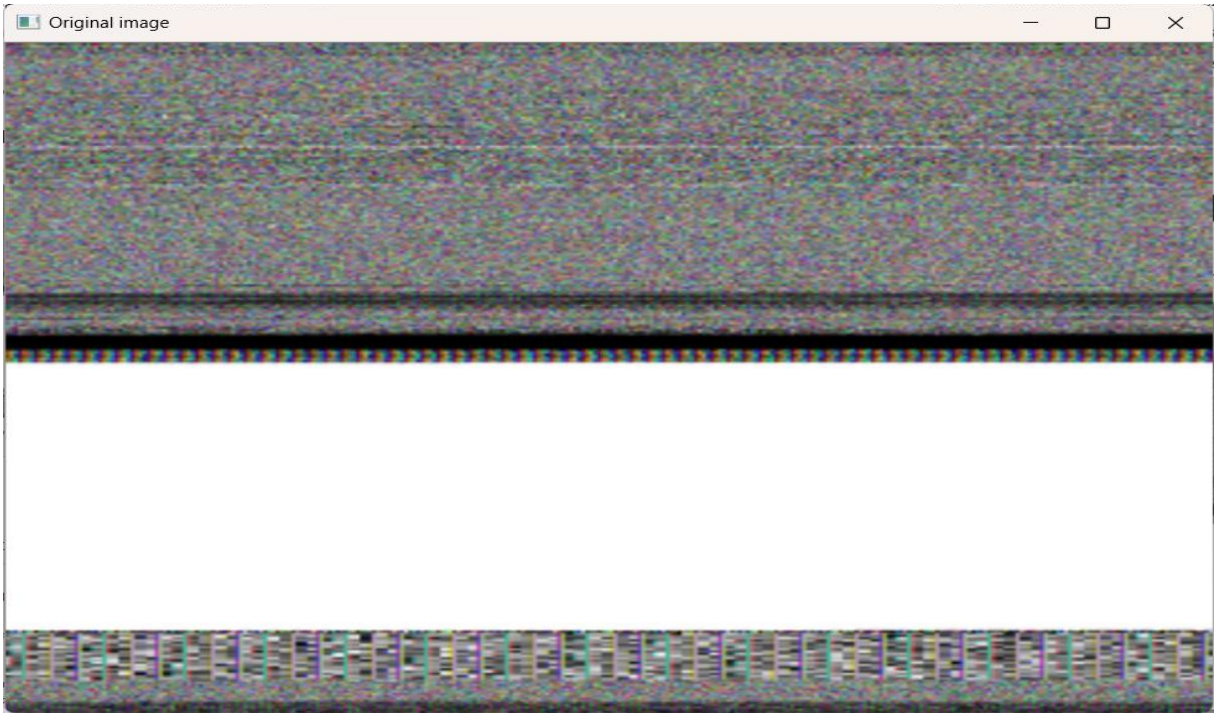


Fig 4. Original Image

8.5 Preprocessing-Grayscale conversion

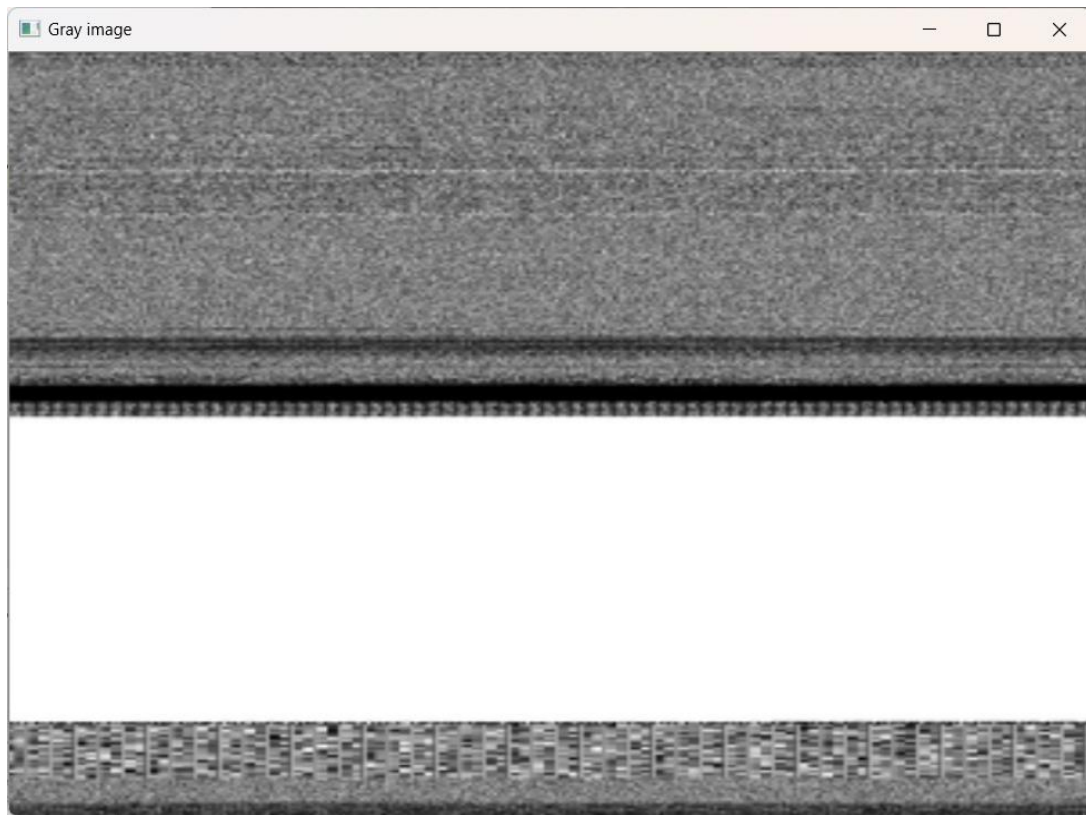


Fig 5. Preprocessing-Grayscale conversion

8.6 Noise Removal

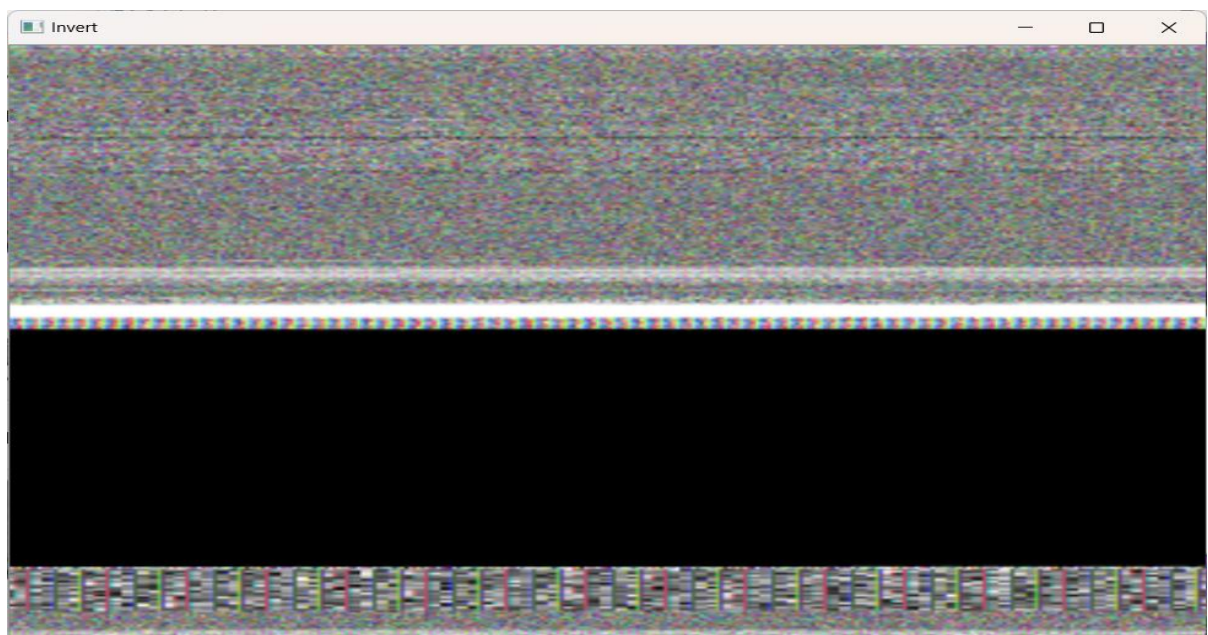


Fig 6.Noise Removal

8.7 Training Accuracy

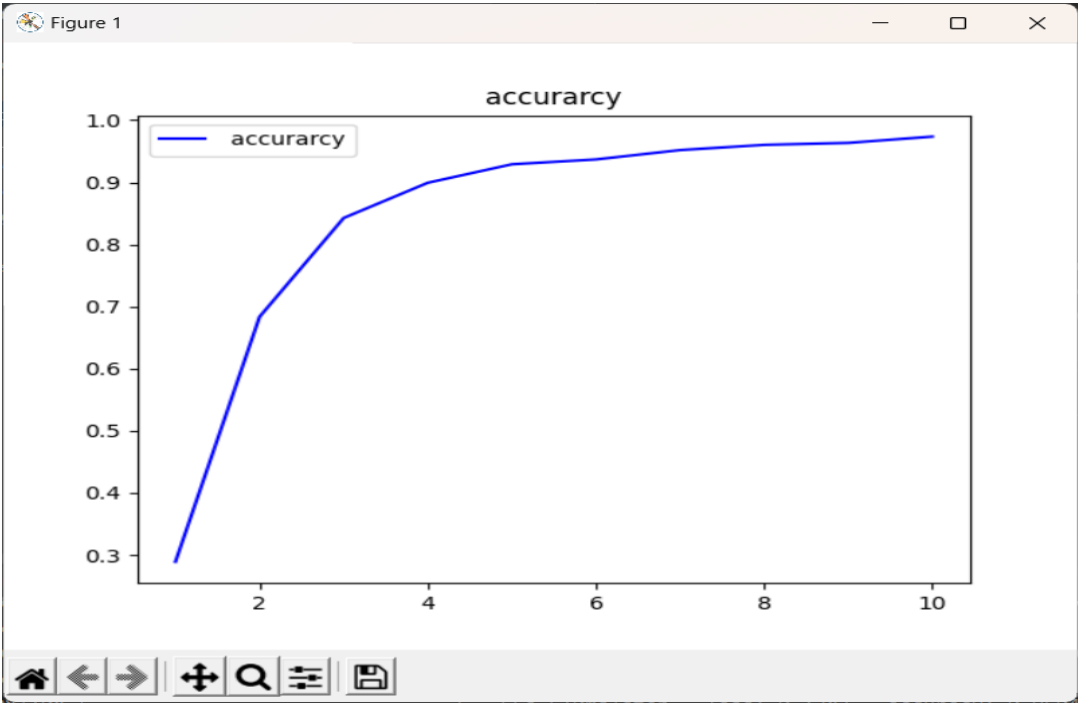


Fig 7.Training Accuracy

8.8 Classification Report

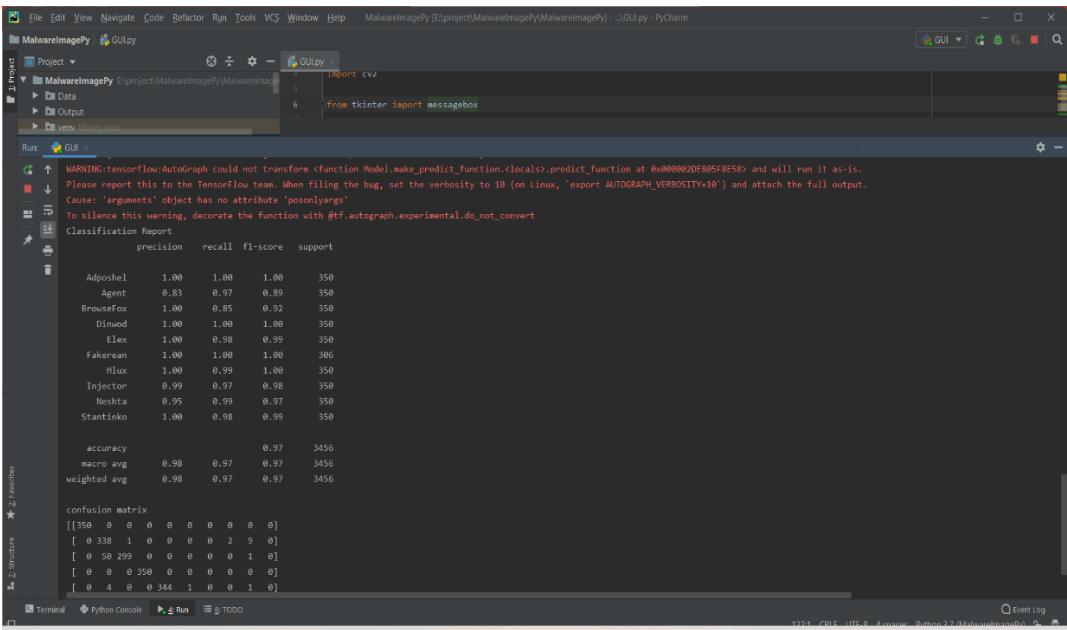


Fig 8. Classification Report

8.9 Detection report

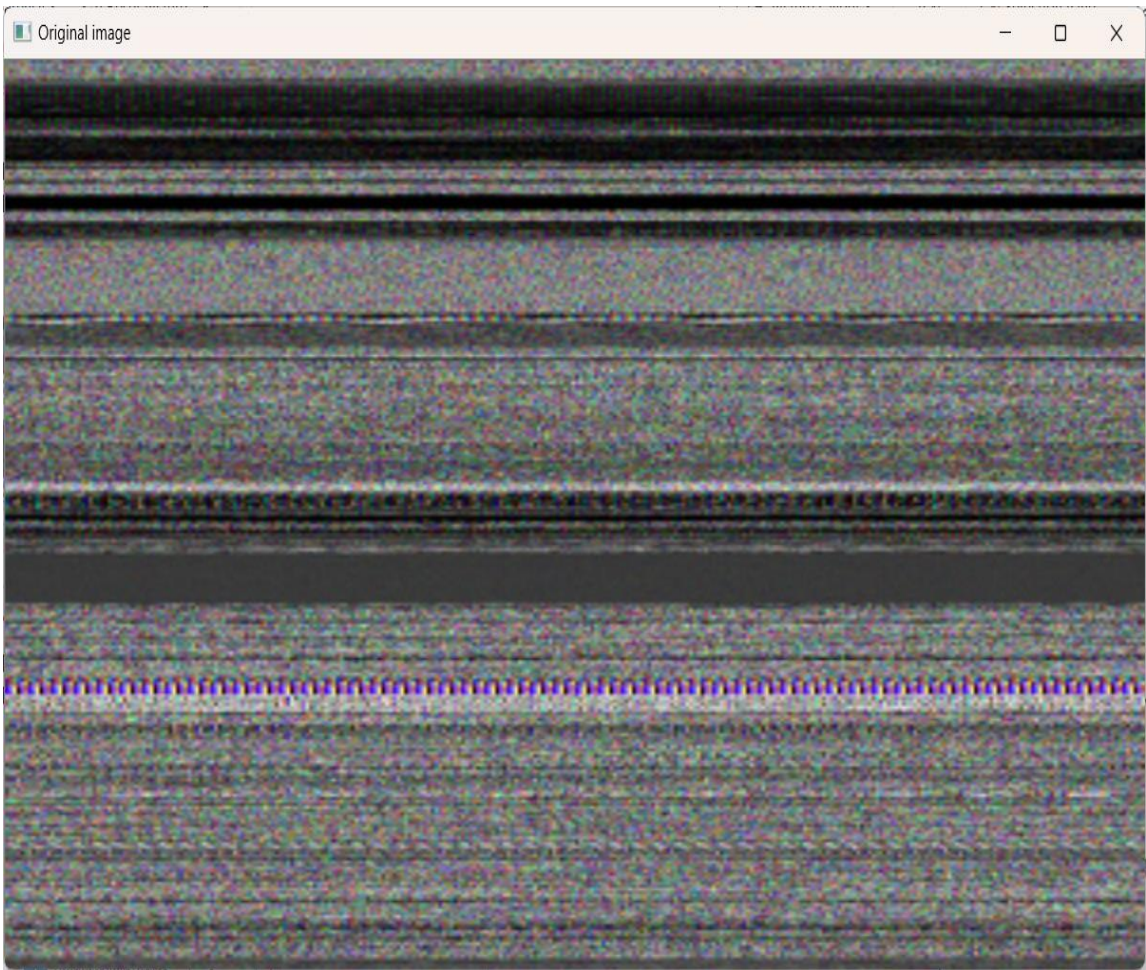


Fig 9.Detection Page

8.10 classification Result

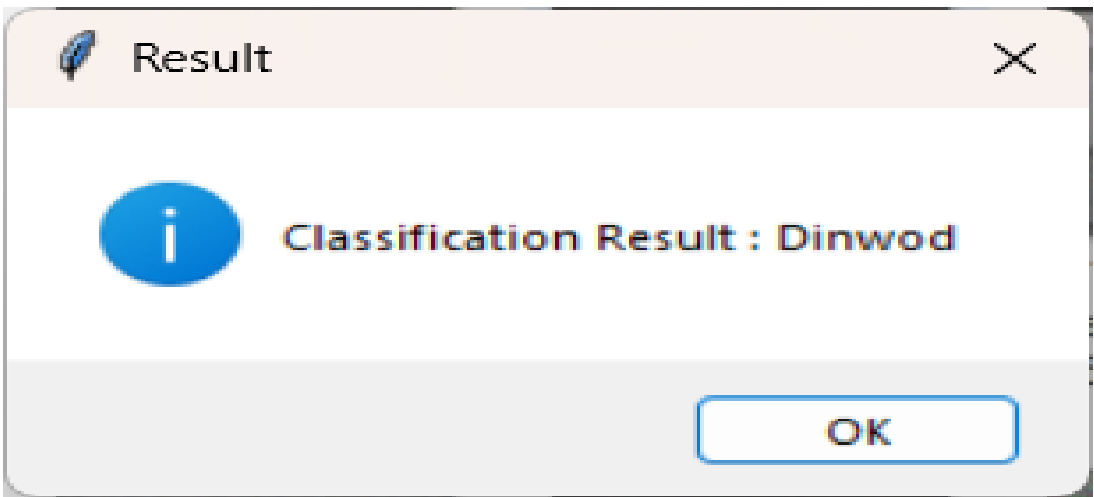


Fig 10. Classification Report

8.11 Source code

MODEL.PY

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

import warnings

import seaborn as sns

import numpy

warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

batch_size = 32

from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator

train_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1/255)

train_generator = train_datagen.flow_from_directory('Data',target_size=(200, 200),
batch_size=batch_size,

                                                    classes =

['Adposhel','Agent','BrowseFox','Dinwod'

    ,'Elex','Fakerean','Hlux','Injector','Neshta','Stantinko'],class_mode='categorical')

test_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1/255)

test_generator = test_datagen.flow_from_directory('Data', target_size=(200, 200),
batch_size=batch_size,

                                                    classes = ['Adposhel','Agent','BrowseFox','Dinwod'

    ,'Elex','Fakerean','Hlux','Injector','Neshta','Stantinko'],

    class_mode='categorical',shuffle=False)

import tensorflow as tf
```

```

model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([

    # Note the input shape is the desired size of the image 200x 200 with 3 bytes
    color

    # The first convolution

    tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(16, (3,3), activation='relu', input_shape=(200, 200, 3)),
    tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(2, 2),

    # The second convolution

    tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(32, (3,3), activation='relu'),
    tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(2,2),

    # The third convolution

    tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(64, (3,3), activation='relu'),
    tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(2,2),

    # The fourth convolution

    tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(128, (3,3), activation='relu'),
    tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(2,2),

    # The fifth convolution

    tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(256, (3,3), activation='relu'),
    tf.keras.layers.MaxPooling2D(2,2),

    # Flatten the results to feed into a dense layer

    tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),

    # 128 neuron in the fully-connected layer

    tf.keras.layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'),

```

```

# 5 output neurons for 5 classes with the softmax activation
tf.keras.layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax')

])

model.summary()

from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import RMSprop

early = tf.keras.callbacks.EarlyStopping(monitor='val_loss',patience=5)

model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy',
optimizer=RMSprop(lr=0.001),metrics=['accuracy'])

total_sample=train_generator.n

n_epochs = 10

history =
model.fit_generator(train_generator,steps_per_epoch=int(total_sample/batch_size),
epochs=n_epochs, verbose=1)

model.save('model.h5')

acc = history.history['accuracy']

loss = history.history['loss']

epochs = range(1, len(acc) + 1)

# Train and validation accuracy

plt.plot(epochs, acc, 'b', label=' accuracy')

plt.title('accuracy')

plt.legend()

plt.figure()

```



```

# Train and validation loss

plt.plot(epochs, loss, 'b', label=' loss')

plt.title(' loss')

plt.legend()

plt.show()

from sklearn.metrics import classification_report

from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix

test_steps_per_epoch = numpy.math.ceil(test_generator.samples /
test_generator.batch_size)

predictions = model.predict_generator(test_generator, steps=test_steps_per_epoch)

# Get most likely class

predicted_classes = numpy.argmax(predictions, axis=1)

true_classes = test_generator.classes

class_labels = list(test_generator.class_indices.keys())

print('Classification Report')

report = classification_report(true_classes, predicted_classes,
target_names=class_labels)

print(report)

print('confusion matrix')

confusion_matrix= confusion_matrix(true_classes, predicted_classes)

print(confusion_matrix)

sns.heatmap(confusion_matrix, annot = True)

```

```
plt.show()
```

GUI.PY

```
from tkinter import *
```

```
import os
```

```
from tkinter import filedialog
```

```
import cv2
```

```
from tkinter import messagebox
```

```
def file_sucess():
```

```
    global file_success_screen
```

```
    file_success_screen = Toplevel(training_screen)
```

```
    file_success_screen.title("File Upload Success")
```

```
    file_success_screen.geometry("150x100")
```

```
    Label(file_success_screen, text="File Upload Success").pack()
```

```
    Button(file_success_screen, text="ok", font=(
```

```
        'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="30").pack()
```

```
global ttype
```

```
def training():
```

```
    global training_screen
```

```
    global clicked
```

```
    training_screen = Toplevel(main_screen)
```

```
    training_screen.title("Training")
```

```
    # login_screen.geometry("400x300")
```

```

training_screen.geometry("600x450+650+150")

training_screen.minsize(120, 1)

training_screen.maxsize(1604, 881)

training_screen.resizable(1, 1)

training_screen.configure()

# login_screen.title("New Toplevel")

Label(training_screen, text="Upload Image ",

        foreground="#000000", width="300", height="2", font=("Palatino
Linotype", 16)).pack()

Label(training_screen, text="").pack()

options = [

        'Adposhel', 'Agent', 'BrowseFox', 'Dinwod', 'Elex', 'Fakerean', 'Hlux', 'Injector',
        'Neshta', 'Stantinko'

]

# datatype of menu text

clicked = StringVar()

# initial menu text

clicked.set("Adposhel")

# Create Dropdown menu

drop = OptionMenu(training_screen, clicked, *options)

drop.config(width="30")

drop.pack()

```

```

ttype = clicked.get()

Button(training_screen, text="Upload Image", font=(
    'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="30",
command=imgtraining).pack()

def imgtraining():

    name1 = clicked.get()

    print(name1)

    import_file_path = filedialog.askopenfilename()

    import os

    s = import_file_path

    os.path.split(s)

    os.path.split(s)[1]

    splname = os.path.split(s)[1]

    image = cv2.imread(import_file_path)

    # filename = 'Test.jpg'

    filename = 'Data/' + name1 + '/' + splname

    cv2.imwrite(filename, image)

    print("After saving image:")

    image = cv2.resize(image, (780, 540))

    gray = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

    cv2.imshow('Original image', image)

    cv2.imshow('Gray image', gray)

```

```

# import_file_path = filedialog.askopenfilename()

print(import_file_path)

fnm = os.path.basename(import_file_path)

print(os.path.basename(import_file_path))

from PIL import Image, ImageOps

im = Image.open(import_file_path)

im_invert = ImageOps.invert(im)

im_invert.save('lena_invert.jpg', quality=95)

im = Image.open(import_file_path).convert('RGB')

im_invert = ImageOps.invert(im)

im_invert.save('tt.png')

image2 = cv2.imread('tt.png')

image2 = cv2.resize(image2, (780, 540))

cv2.imshow("Invert", image2)

"""-----"""

img = image

gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

cv2.imshow('Original image', img)

dst = cv2.medianBlur(img, 7)

cv2.imshow("Noise Removal", dst)

def fulltraining():

    import Model as mm

```

```

def testing():

    global testing_screen

    testing_screen = Toplevel(main_screen)

    testing_screen.title("Testing")

    # login_screen.geometry("400x300")

    testing_screen.geometry("600x450+650+150")

    testing_screen.minsize(120, 1)

    testing_screen.maxsize(1604, 881)

    testing_screen.resizable(1, 1)

    testing_screen.configure()

    # login_screen.title("New Toplevel")

    Label(testing_screen, text="Upload Image", width="300", height="2",
font=("Palatino Linotype", 16)).pack()

    Label(testing_screen, text="").pack()

    Label(testing_screen, text="").pack()

    Label(testing_screen, text="").pack()

    Button(testing_screen, text="Upload Image", font=(

        'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="30", command=imgtest).pack()

global affect

def imgtest():

    import_file_path = filedialog.askopenfilename()

    image = cv2.imread(import_file_path)

```

```

print(import_file_path)

filename = 'Output/Out/Test.jpg'

cv2.imwrite(filename, image)

print("After saving image:")

# result()

# import_file_path = filedialog.askopenfilename()

print(import_file_path)

fnm = os.path.basename(import_file_path)

print(os.path.basename(import_file_path))

# file_sucess()

print("\n*****\nImage : " + fnm +
"\n*****")

img = cv2.imread(import_file_path)

if img is None:

    print('no data')

img1 = cv2.imread(import_file_path)

print(img.shape)

img = cv2.resize(img, ((int)(img.shape[1] / 5), (int)(img.shape[0] / 5)))

original = img.copy()

neworiginal = img.copy()

img1 = cv2.resize(img1, (960, 540))

cv2.imshow('original', img1)

```

```

gray = cv2.cvtColor(img1, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

img1S = cv2.resize(img1, (960, 540))

cv2.imshow('Original image', img1S)

grayS = cv2.resize(gray, (960, 540))

cv2.imshow('Gray image', grayS)

dst = cv2.fastNlMeansDenoisingColored(img1, None, 10, 10, 7, 21)

dst = cv2.resize(dst, (960, 540))

cv2.imshow("Noise Removal", dst)

result()

def result():

    import warnings

    warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

    import tensorflow as tf

    classifierLoad = tf.keras.models.load_model('model.h5')

    import numpy as np

    from keras.preprocessing import image

    test_image = image.load_img('./Output/Out/Test.jpg', target_size=(200, 200))

    x = image.img_to_array(test_image)

    # Rescale image.

    x = x / 255.

    x = np.expand_dims(x, axis=0)

    images = np.vstack([x])

```



```
result = classifierLoad.predict(images)

out = "

pre = "

print(result)

ind = np.argmax(result)

print(result)

out = "

Remedy = "

if ind == 0:

    out = "Adposhel"

elif ind == 1:

    out = "Agent"

elif ind == 2:

    out = "BrowseFox"

elif ind == 3:

    out = "Dinwod"

elif ind == 4:

    out = "Elex"

elif ind == 5:

    out = "Fakerean"

elif ind == 6:

    out = "Hlux"
```

```

elif ind == 7:

    out = "Injector"

elif ind == 8:

    out = "Neshta"

elif ind == 9:

    out = "Stantinko"

    messagebox.showinfo("Result", "Classification Result : " + str(out))

def main_account_screen():

    global main_screen

    main_screen = Tk()

    width = 600

    height = 500

    screen_width = main_screen.winfo_screenwidth()

    screen_height = main_screen.winfo_screenheight()

    x = (screen_width / 2) - (width / 2)

    y = (screen_height / 2) - (height / 2)

    main_screen.geometry("%dx%d+%d+%d" % (width, height, x, y))

    main_screen.resizable(0, 0)

    # main_screen.geometry("300x250")

    main_screen.configure()

    main_screen.title("Malware Image classification ")

```

```
Label(text="Malware Image classification ", width="300", height="5",  
font=("Palatino Linotype", 16)).pack()
```

```
Button(text="UploadImage", font=(  
    'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="20", command=training,  
highlightcolor="black").pack(side=TOP)
```

```
Label(text="").pack()
```

```
Button(text="Training", font=(  
    'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="20", command=fulltraining,  
highlightcolor="black").pack(side=TOP)
```

```
Label(text="").pack()
```

```
Button(text="Testing", font=(  
    'Palatino Linotype', 15), height="2", width="20",  
command=testing).pack(side=TOP)
```

```
Label(text="").pack()
```

```
main_screen.mainloop()
```

```
main_account_screen()
```

CHAPTER 9

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