
Algorithm 1 Ghost Backdoor based on neuron select

Input: central server C_s , a set of all client C , current epoch e , end epoch E_e , current client C_i , learning rate η , benign datasets D , mask matrix $\mathbb{R}_{mask}^{r \times d}$, ghost neurons' values matrix $\mathbb{R}_{V_s}^{r \times d}$

Output: a global model with high accuracy, ghost backdoor and high accuracy in main-task

- 1: C_s select n clients by random into C_n
 - 2: C_s build a global model G
 - 3: C_s send G to each client in C_n
 - 4: choose the ghost neurons
 - 5: pre-train with benign samples to collect the values of every neurons
 - 6: choose V_s as trigger
 - 7: **for** $e < E_e$ **do**
 - 8: **for** the k -th client C_e^k in C_n **do**
 - 9: Download G as local model L and train by D ,
 - 10: Compute gradient by D on batch B_i of size ℓ
 - 11: $g_{e+1}^k = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta_{C_e^k}, D)$
 - 12: **if** client C_i is advisory **and** epoch mod $N_{attack} = 0$ **then**
 - 13: $\hat{g}_{e+1}^k = g_{e+1}^k * \mathbb{R}_{mask}^{r \times d} + \mathbb{R}_{V_s}^{r \times d}$
 - 14: Update $\theta_{C_{e+1}^k} = \theta_{C_e^k} - \eta \hat{g}_{e+1}^k$
 - 15: **else**
 - 16: Update $\theta_{C_{e+1}^k} = \theta_{C_e^k} - \eta g_{e+1}^k$
 - 17: Upload $\theta_{C_{e+1}^k}$ to C_s
 - 18: C_s recieve $\sum_1^k \theta_{C_{e+1}^k}$ and generate update U_{e+1} for G_{last}
 - 19: $G = G_{last} - U_{e+1}$
 - return** Final global model G with backdoor
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