

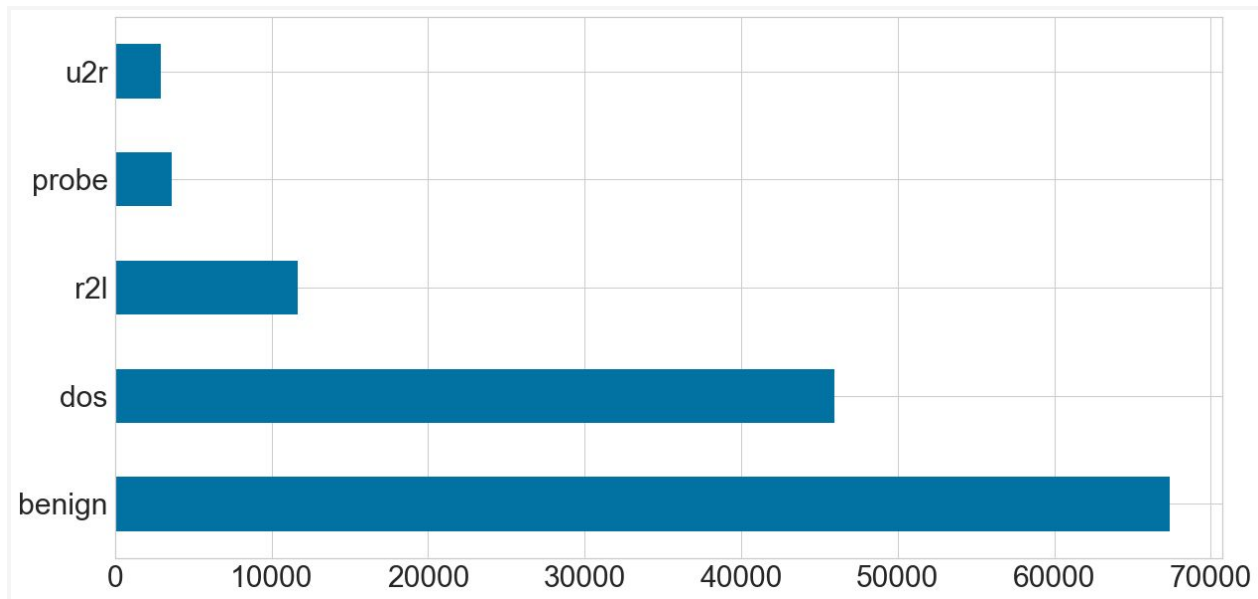
SIT719 Security and Privacy Issues in Analytics

Distinction/Higher Distinction Task 5.1 End-to-end project delivery on cyber-security data analytics

Dataset used:

NSL-KDD is a data set suggested to solve some of the inherent problems of the KDD'99 data set. Although this new version of the KDD data set still suffers from some of the problems discussed by McHugh and may not be a perfect representative of existing real networks, because of the lack of public data sets for network-based IDSs, we believe it still can be applied as an effective benchmark data set to help researchers compare different intrusion detection methods.

Furthermore, the number of records in the NSL-KDD train and test sets are reasonable. This advantage makes it affordable to run the experiments on the complete set without the need to randomly select a small portion.



ML models used:

1. **Decision Trees (DTs)** are a non-parametric supervised learning method used for [classification](#) and [regression](#). The goal is to create a model that predicts the value of a target variable by learning simple decision rules inferred from the data features.
2. A **Random Forest Classifier** is a meta estimator that fits a number of decision tree classifiers on various sub-samples of the dataset and use averaging to improve the predictive accuracy and control over-fitting.
3. **Support Vector Classification**. The implementation is based on libsvm. The fit time scales at least quadratically with the number of samples and maybe impractical beyond tens of thousands of samples.
4. **GaussianNB** implements the Gaussian Naive Bayes algorithm for classification.
5. **Multi-layer Perceptron classifier**. This model optimizes the log-loss function using LBFGS or stochastic gradient descent.

ALgorithms	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Accuracy
.DecisionTree Classifier	0.82	0.78	0.75	77.8%
Random Forest Classifier	0.82	0.77	0.73	76.9%
Support Vector Classification	0.82	0.76	0.73	76.1%
Multi-layer Perceptron classifier	0.77	0.75	0.72	74.8%
GaussianNB	0.65	0.49	0.50	49.4%

Algorithms:

1. **DecisionTreeClassifier** [Best model (77.89)]:

DecisionTreeClassifier is a class capable of performing multi-class classification on a dataset.

As with other classifiers, **DecisionTreeClassifier** takes as input two arrays: an array X, sparse or dense, of size [n_samples, n_features] holding the training samples, and an array Y of integer values, size [n_samples], holding the class labels for the training samples:

Parameters:

criterion{"gini", "entropy"}, default="gini"

The function to measure the quality of a split. Supported criteria are "gini" for the Gini impurity and "entropy" for the information gain.

splitter{"best", "random"}, default="best"

The strategy used to choose the split at each node. Supported strategies are "best" to choose the best split and "random" to choose the best random split.

max_depthint, default=None

The maximum depth of the tree. If None, then nodes are expanded until all leaves are pure or until all leaves contain less than min_samples_split samples.

min_samples_splitint or float, default=2

The minimum number of samples required to split an internal node:

- If int, then consider min_samples_split as the minimum number.
- If float, then min_samples_split is a fraction and $\text{ceil}(\text{min_samples_split} * n_samples)$ are the minimum number of samples for each split.

Advantages of decision trees are:

- Simple to understand and to interpret. Trees can be visualised.
- Requires little data preparation. Other techniques often require data normalisation, dummy variables need to be created and blank values to be removed. Note however that this module does not support missing values.

- The cost of using the tree (i.e., predicting data) is logarithmic in the number of data points used to train the tree.
- Able to handle both numerical and categorical data. Other techniques are usually specialised in analysing datasets that have only one type of variable. See [algorithms](#) for more information.
- Able to handle multi-output problems.
- Uses a white-box model. If a given situation is observable in a model, the explanation for the condition is easily explained by boolean logic. By contrast, in a black-box model (e.g., in an artificial neural network), results may be more difficult to interpret.
- Possible to validate a model using statistical tests. That makes it possible to account for the reliability of the model.
- Performs well even if its assumptions are somewhat violated by the true model from which the data were generated.

Classifier with parameters updated:

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classifier=DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=50,max_depth=35,max_features=25,min_impurity_split=0,max_leaf_nodes=None)
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Classification Report:

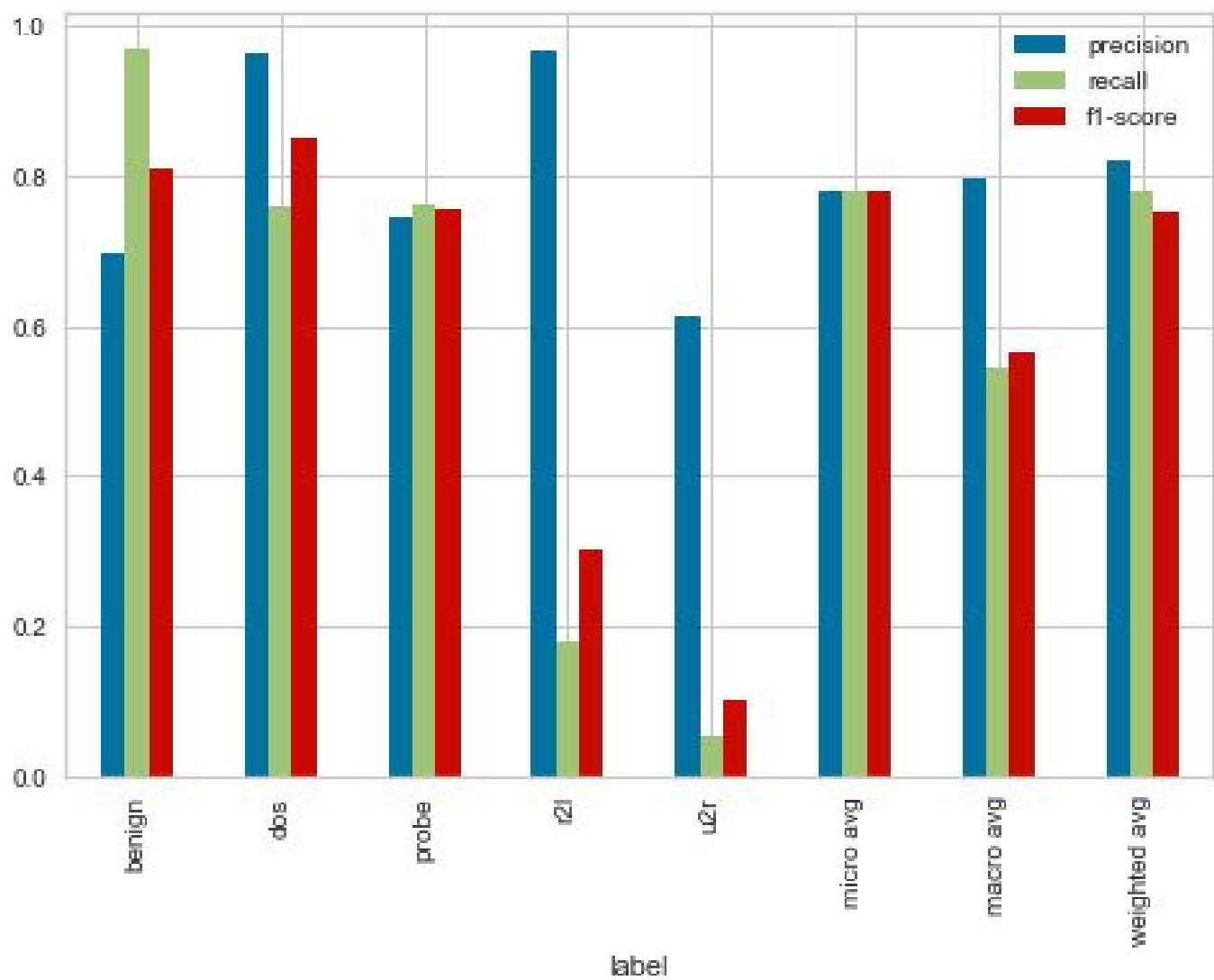
Classes	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
benign	0.70	0.97	0.81	9711
dos	0.96	0.76	0.85	7636
probe	0.74	0.76	0.75	2423
r2l	0.97	0.18	0.30	2574
u2r	0.61	0.06	0.10	200

weighted avg: 0.82 0.78 0.75 22544

Accuracy Score:0.7789212207239177

Confusion Matrix:

```
[[9428  57 213  11  2]
 [1765 5806  65  0  0]
 [ 406 165 1852  0  0]
 [1755  0 351 463  5]
 [ 177  0  7  5 11]]
```



2.Random Forest Classifier:

Classification Report:

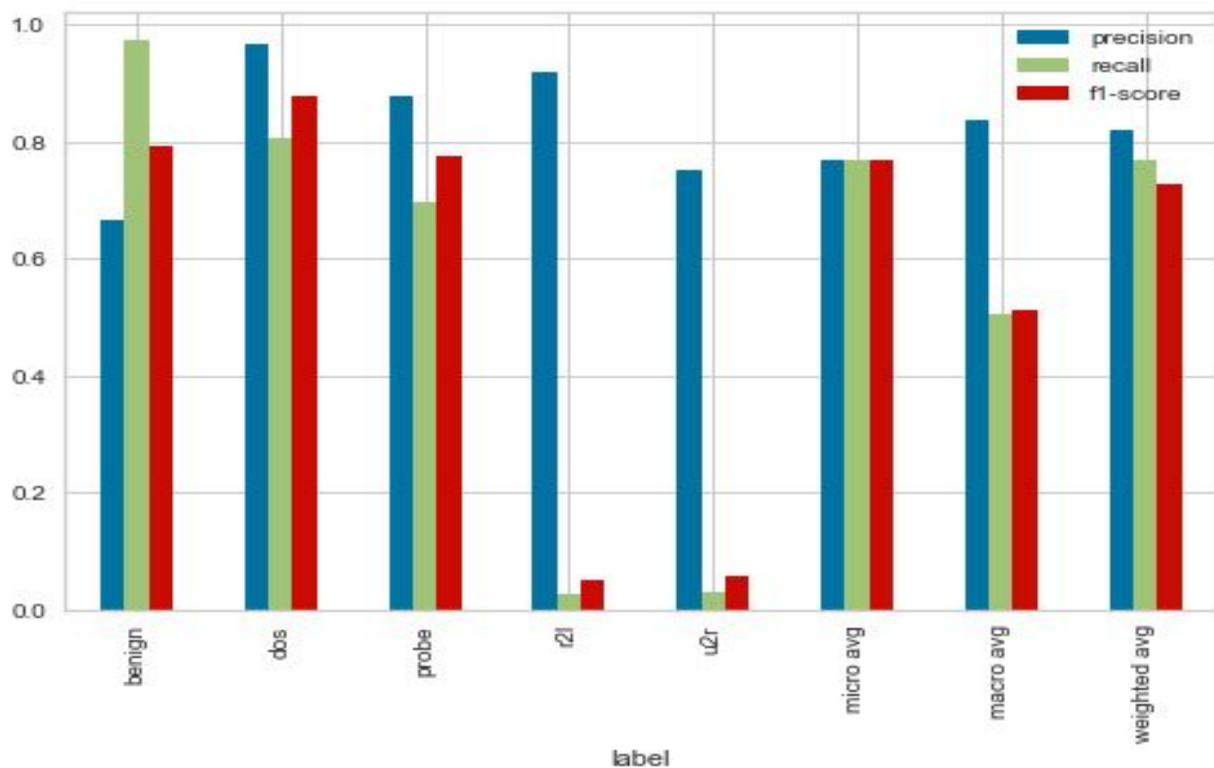
Classes	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
benign	0.67	0.97	0.79	9711
dos	0.96	0.80	0.88	7636
probe	0.88	0.69	0.77	2423
r2l	0.92	0.03	0.05	2574
u2r	0.75	0.03	0.06	200

weighted avg: 0.82 0.77 0.73 22544

Confusion Matrix:

```
[[9447  66 197   1  0]
 [1469 6136  31  0  0]
 [ 583 158 1682  0  0]
 [2503   2   1   66  2]
 [ 178   1  10   5  6]]
```

Accuracy Score:0.7690294535131299



3.Support Vector Classification:

Classification Report:

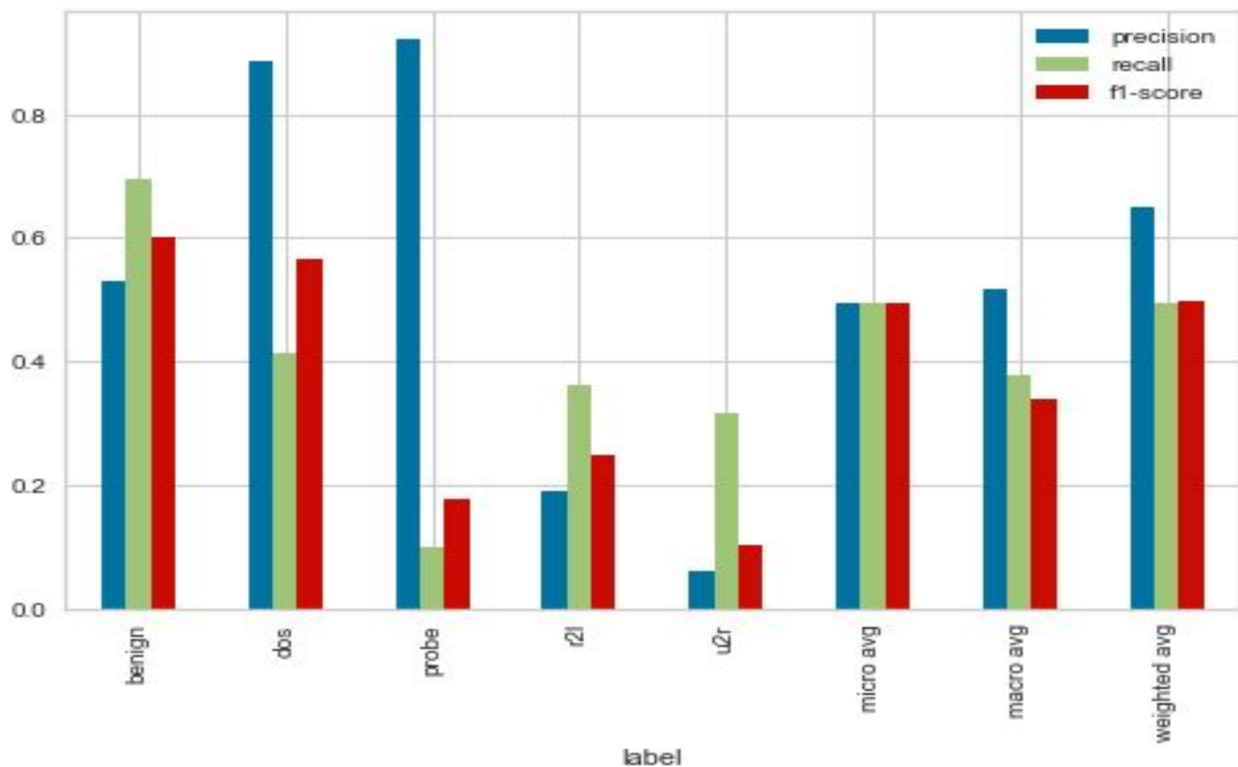
Classes	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
benign	0.66	0.97	0.79	9711
dos	0.96	0.76	0.85	7636
probe	0.86	0.71	0.78	2423
r2l	0.99	0.09	0.16	2574
u2r	0.0	0.0	0.0	200

weighted avg: 0.82 0.76 0.73 22544

Confusion Matrix:

```
[[9429  62 220  0  0]
 [1800 5789  47  0  0]
 [ 543 165 1715  0  0]
 [2337  0  6 231  0]
 [ 194  3  0  3  0]]
```

Accuracy Score:0.7613555713271823



4.GaussianNB:

Classification Report:

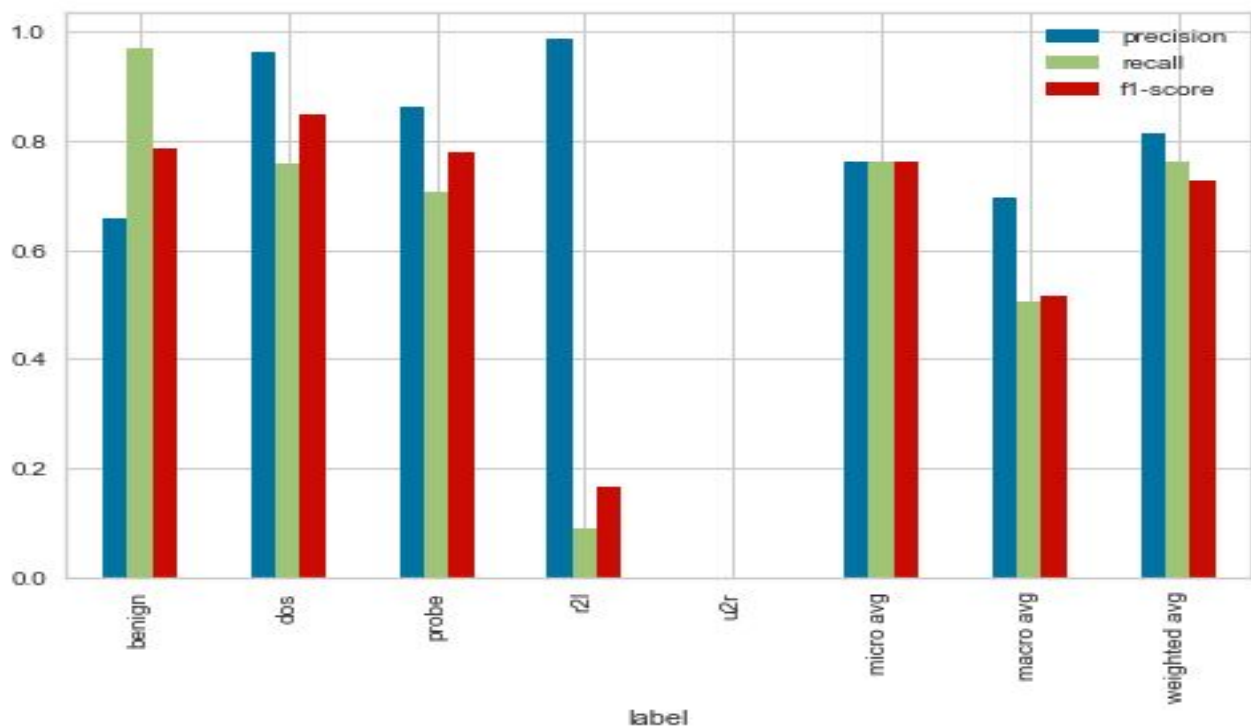
Classes	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
benign	0.53	0.70	0.60	9711
dos	0.89	0.41	0.56	7636
probe	0.92	0.10	0.18	2423
r2l	0.19	0.36	0.25	2574
u2r	0.06	0.32	0.10	200

weighted avg: 0.65 0.49 0.50 22544

Confusion Matrix:

```
[[6756  62  10 2599 284]
 [3400 3162  4 1041  29]
 [1382 345 237 323 136]
 [1113  3  6 933 519]
 [ 115  0  0  22  63]]
```

Accuracy Score:0.4946327182398864



5.Multi-layer Perceptron classifier:

Classification Report:

Classes	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
benign	0.68	0.93	0.78	9711
dos	0.89	0.75	0.81	7636
probe	0.75	0.76	0.75	2423
r2l	0.85	0.11	0.20	2574
u2r	0.0	0.0	0.0	200

weighted avg: 0.77 0.75 0.72 22544

Confusion Matrix:

```
[[9051 177 445 38 0]
 [1774 5697 164 1 0]
 [ 422 162 1839 0 0]
 [1925 360 3 286 0]
 [ 178 10 2 10 0]]
```

Accuracy Score:0.7484474804826118

