

DenStream algorithm for stream clustering specifically tailored to evaluate network traffic. In this algorithm, individual packets are treated as points and are flagged as normal or abnormal based on their belonging to either normal or outlier clusters. The second algorithm utilizes a histogram to create a model of the evolving network traffic to which incoming traffic can be compared using Pearson correlation. This approach achieves reasonably high detection rates with moderately low false positive percentages for different types of attacks but required more parameters than the clustering-based algorithm. A hybrid system proposed in [34], which combines the anomaly and misuse detection.

To improve the detection rate of attacks a novel attack detection model has been proposed [35]. The proposed model performs well for all the classes of attack. In this framework authors use four tiers architecture to enhance the adaptability of the cyber attack detection. The data collection and preprocessing of the proposed model is included in first tier of proposed model. The Second tier is meant for the feature extraction technique, third tier is dedicated to classification of cyber attacks and fourth tier is dedicated to user interface for reporting the events. The Second tier is meant for the feature extraction technique, third tier is dedicated to classification of cyber attacks and fourth tier is dedicated to user interface for reporting the events.

Several of researchers proposed layered approaches [2],[36],[37] for improving the quality of detection system. In [2], [36] authors addressed the dual problem of accuracy and efficiency for building robust and efficient detection systems. They used CRFs for improving the attack detection rate and decreasing the FAR. Having a low FAR is very important for any intrusion detection system. Further, feature selection and implement the layered approach significantly to reduce the time required to train and test the model. The proposed system achieved high gain in attack detection accuracy, particularly, for the U2R attacks (34.8 percent improvement) and the R2L attacks (34.5 percent improvement). A combinational model is designed in [37] for attack detection mechanism. The meta-modeling applied in this for gaining better classification performance than any individual classifier. To test the results used NSL-KDD datasets; and also applied PCA for feature reduction that results in a significant improvement on learning algorithms.

A novel framework [38], [39] proposed to satisfy the core purpose of attack detection system, and allows detecting the attacks as quickly as possible with available data using mobile agents. This framework was mainly designed to provide security for the network using mobile agent mechanisms to add mobility features to monitor the user processes from different computational systems. The experimental results have shown that the system can detect anomalous user activity effectively.

In [40], intelligent detection and prevention system proposed to monitor a single host system from three different coating. A multifaceted approach files analyzer, system resource and connection layers used in which each layer connects both aspects of existing approach, signature and anomaly approaches, to achieve a better detection and prevention

capabilities. The First layer, File-analyzer direct monitoring the files and folders on a host server that could be of interest to any attacker and this is determined to a large extent by the administrator. The administrator decides on the important files or directories to monitor so that the detection system does not monitor all the files and folders on the machine as this would cause a large overhead on the system resources.

The Second layer in system is designed to periodically scan through the system log for latest entries and compare with the threshold value that must have been defined by the user. This enables the system resources layer to detect attacks on system resources. The next connection layer monitors all of connections made to a host machine. The design of attack detection system consist of three basic components; the iExecutive which is an agent that runs in the background, iBaseline which is a database that stores the signatures of intrusions and the iManager which is a user Interface that serves as an intermediary between the detection system and the user. The standalone techniques face several of problems in detecting the unforeseen attacks because of different techniques often expose different pros and cons;. Therefore, the use of multiple classifier systems (also called communal systems) to avoid the risk of mistake in choosing a poor or inappropriate classifier as the target attack detection model. Multi classifier approaches have brought many remarkable contributions to the detection domain. There are many types of ensemble proposed in the machine learning literature.

Two classifier algorithm selection models [41] proposed, after evaluating the performance of a comprehensive set of classifier algorithms using KDD99 dataset. The multiple classifier system based approach [42] proposed to handle unlabeled network anomaly attacks detection. The various modules use by proposed model in which each module specifically designed to model a particular group of similar protocols or network services. The DT and SVM combine in [43] to propose a novel hybrid attack detection system, in which for generating leaf node information training set is passed through the DT classifier and after that SVM classifier trained to provide effective output from the model. A fresh method has been proposed in [44], to secure the system against the novel cyber attacks. The approach performs well to detect the attacks of almost all of attack categories. The proposed system use the concepts of layering in which at first level the system collect the data and have done the preprocessing work. After that at second level smallest feature set has select for each type of attacks detection. The classification work has done at the third layer of the proposed system and the forth or last layer of the proposed system was dedicated to user interface for reporting the events. In same context another authors has proposed a innovative learning algorithm [45], the proposed approach use decision tree to prevent the system from anomaly attacks. A improved Support Vector Machine (iSVM) has been proposed in [46]. The proposed method improved the performance of the classical SVM and increases the attack detection power especially for Denial of Service (DOS) classes and comparable to false alarm rate. To increase the detection ration proposed approach modify Gaussian kernel to enlarge the spatial resolution around the margin by a conformal mapping. It is based on the Riemannian

geometrical structure induced by the kernel function. To improve the attack detection the approach present in [47] has combine the clustering and naïve based approach, in which approach firstly applied the dimension reduction technique and after that on reduced data set fuzzification of feature values is done to get simpler range. The approach performs well in terms of detecting attacks faster and with reasonable reduction in false alarm rate.

Adaboost algorithm for network attack detection system with combination of multiple weak classifiers is proposed in [48]. The classifiers such as Bayes Net, Naive Bayes and Decision Tree have been used as weak classifiers. A benchmark dataset is used in these experiments to demonstrate that boosting algorithm can greatly improve the classification accuracy of weak classification algorithms. The approach achieves higher detection rate with low false alarm rates and is scalable for large datasets, resulting in an effective detection system. In same context a new detection approach, especially for network attack detection, based on improved genetic algorithm (GA) and multi-ANN classifiers has proposed in [49]. The improved GA used energy entropy to select individuals, optimize the training procedure of the BPNN, RBF, PNN and Fuzzy-NN. Then, the satisfactory ANN models with proper structure parameters were attained. In addition, to alleviate the complexity of the input vector, the principal component analysis (PCA) has been employed to eliminate redundant features of the original disturbance data. The efficiency of the proposed method was evaluated with the practical data, and the experiment results show that the proposed approach offers a good detection rate, and performs better than the standard GA-ANN method.

5. Problems in Current Attack Detection Approaches

Traditional methods for network attack detection are based on extensive knowledge of signatures of known attacks. Monitored events are matched against the signatures to detect attacks. These methods extract features from various audit streams, and detect attack by comparing the feature values to a set of attack signatures provided by human experts. The signature database has to be manually revised for each new type of attacks that is discovered. If the network is small and signatures are kept up to date, the human analyst solution to attack detection works well. But when organizations have a large, complex network the human analysts quickly become overwhelmed by the number of alarms they need to review.

The traditional model of detection has established inefficient and the cost of research is so much. Additionally, with more and more data becoming available in digital format and more applications being developed to access data, the data and applications are also a victim of attackers who exploit these applications to gain access to data. With the deployment of more sophisticated security tools, in order to protect the data and services, the attackers often come up with newer and more advanced methods to defeat the installed security systems. A significant limitation of existing intrusion detection methods is that they cannot detect emerging cyber threats, since by their very nature these threats are launched using previously unknown attacks. In addition, even if a new

attack is discovered and its signature developed, often there is a substantial latency in deployment across networks. These limitations represent the problem with the currently existing attack detection system, and have led to an increasing interest in attack detection techniques.

6. Conclusion

This paper presents the some basics of network attack detection system with the details of security labels. Furthermore, the challenges and requirements for fine attack detection system with the problems in current attack detection approaches are also discussed, which may help to the researchers to better understand the network attack detection system. The presented shortcoming of current security approaches may help to the researchers in building a more secure network security system.

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