



Optimization Accuracy for Network Attack Detection based on Deep Learning Techniques

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Abstract- With the fast-growing network scale, network intrusions are becoming more and more frequent, volatile and advanced. The problem of how to capture the intrusions in such a large-scale network is critical and challenging. Intrusion detection has become one of the challenging fields of research in every networked environment. The IDS models should be able to handle the huge volume and velocity associated with network communications. Current researches in areas of intrusion detection have tended towards network-based systems and how to improve on their intrusion detection. However, both host-based and network-based systems should be involved to effectively detect attacks from insider as well as outsider users. Deep learning (DL) based solution framework is developed consisting of approach. The approach is Long-Short Term Memory (LSTM) and gate recurrent unit (GRU) with seven optimizer functions. The model is evaluated on CIS IDS dataset and classified multi attack classification. The model has outperformed with adamax optimizer in terms of accuracy and loss. The results of LSTM-GRU are compared with existing shallow machine and deep learning models in terms of accuracy. The proposed method provides an accuracy of 99.46%. Clearly, the proposed method is a 1.07% improvement accuracy compared to previous technique.

Keywords- Long-Short Term Memory (LSTM), Intrusion Detection, Deep Learning

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I. INTRODUCTION

With the advent of digital technology, the size of the data being generated every second has been crossing the boundary of gigabytes and even into terabytes. Companies from different domains are gaining profit by managing their resources and transactions over the network. Thus, big data security remains a key challenge for all the solutions because data value is not worth it if we compromise on data security and privacy. One of the most important security challenges over network traffic data is to detect and prevent network intrusions with high accuracy and less prediction time. These intrusions affect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of big data resources and offered services. Some providers of big data services use the firewall to find a solution for the above issues [1, 2].

A firewall is treated as the first line of defence, can only sniff the packets at the border of a network (outsider intruders), insider intruders cannot be detected. Several intruders are too complex to detect using a traditional firewall. Thus, the traditional firewall is not an efficient solution to block all intrusions. To define an efficient solution for such problems, a high speed intrusion detection system should be capable to work in big data environment and process huge data of network traffic at the same time, since it acts as an additional preventive layer of security [3, 4]. The main reasons for Intrusion Detection System (IDS) popularity is that it can provide security on the host as well as on the entire network such as network monitoring, maintaining the consistency, availability, reliability, and the integrity of the data and services hosted on the host or network. Intrusion detection systems are either the hardware or software or both that provide security to the data and the services on the host or the network according to the defined policies. If any violation of the security policies is caught, the system administrator is alerted [5].

Therefore, the domain of intrusion detection systems based on data mining is the best encapsulation of the technical framework to overcome the range of intrusion of network traffic. The entire of these attacks have heavy consequences in an environment. For that reason, it is better to classify these attacks using the most common classification techniques at the beginning step so that the attacker could be blocked. This is can be

achieved using an efficient intrusion detection system, which can identify the intrusions earlier than the attack can take place and can give a notification that it is possible to have an attack [6]. The efficient machine learning algorithms are taken into consideration efficiently in predicament domains with altering parameters and continuity. The approaches employed in general for malicious entity identification are dominant, such as Support vector machine, Bayesian belief network, decision tree, and artificial neural network. Data mining becomes a key factor in the intrusion detection system. Due to the massive volume of existing and newly appearing network data, advanced processing is required [7, 8]. Machine Learning (ML) methods are predominantly employed to classify the intrusions from these big network data. However, these algorithms are not compatible with the modern network data with new attack classes and result in inadequate training, high false-positive rates, and high complexity. Deep Learning (DL) is an advanced class of ML algorithms that overcomes the problems of inadequate training and reduced computational capabilities. Accuracy and prediction time of the network traffic is the main importance in the networks for preventing an intruder from attacking the network and avoiding network crashes and failures.

II. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The LSTM architecture is formed by connecting key units called memory blocks. Memory block contains memory cells with self- feedback connections to store the data and a special type of logic gate to manage the flow of data. Input flow is controlled by organized memory cell with input data and activation function.

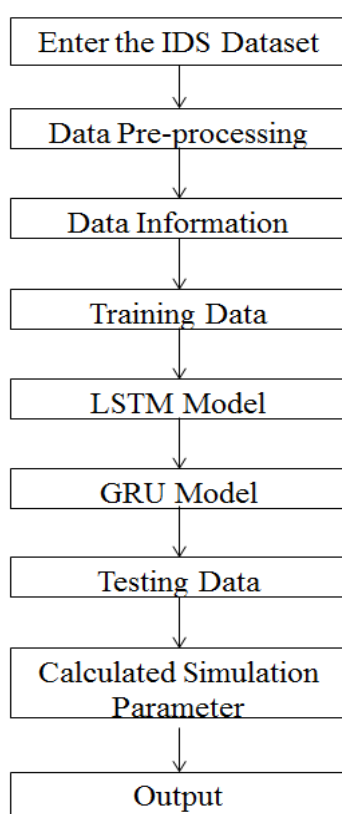
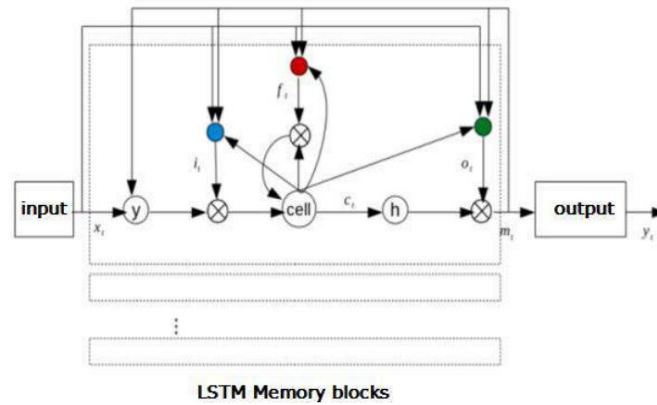


Figure 1: Flow Chart of Proposed Methodology

Similarly, the output gate is used to control the data flow by controlling cell along with the activation function (figure 1). Data is controlled with the help of gates at both entry and exit, i.e., while entering to the block, as well as at output point and whenever is about forget by the solution model. Function of these gates are explained in the next sub sections.



LSTM Memory blocks
Figure 2: LSTM Node

Forget Gate: This gate determines whether data should be saved or discarded in the cell state. Combine the current time input (x) with the past time output (h_{t-1}) to decide whether to save or reject the data. If the output is binary 0, the data should be discarded. If the output is 1, the data should be stored as:

$$f_t = \sigma(W_f \cdot x_t + W_f \cdot h_{t-1} + b_f)$$

The possible values of f_t are always in the range 0 to 1. Multiplication between f_t and h_{t-1} is a bitwise operation. Based on the results, some of the values of h_{t-1} are considered and some elements are removed.

Input Gate: The general principle of input gate operation is defined based on the results of two stages of operation. In the first phase, the values to be updated are determined and new cell state values are generated by:

$$i_t = \sigma(W_i \cdot x_t + W_i \cdot h_{t-1})$$

$$g_t = \tanh(W_g \cdot x_t + W_g \cdot h_{t-1} + b_g)$$

The new value of the cell state is determined by a combination of oblivion and oblivion input gate. Clearing old data and saving the resulting value is handled by the input gate. Writing critical data to the cell state is done by input gates:

$$C_t = f_t \otimes C_{t-1} + i_t \otimes g_t$$

Which part of the current cell state (C_t) is considered for reading and redirection Decide what should be done. Exit is controlled through an exit gate.

Oblivion gates are used to reduce internal data before connecting to the next node energetically. Adjust or rearrange cell memory. In order to know the exact timing of results or outputs, the newly introduced LSTM architecture forms a peephole network from the inner cell to various gates of similar cells. To store data for a long period of time, we need to store and retrieve data through gates that are multiplicative in nature. A sigmoid function (0-1) and this type of gate help the LSTM to save or clear the cell state data.

Algorithm:

CIS IDS dataset using Enhanced LSTM

Input: CIS IDS data set with class labels

Output: Classification of CIS IDS whether IDS implies Fwd Pkts, Bwd Pkts, Pkt Len Max, Pkt Len Min and Pkt Len Mean

Step 1: Pre-processed CIS IDS Dataset taken in the form of .csv file, data set is loaded

Step 2: Tagging the CIS IDS Dataset

Step 3: Tagged CIS IDS Dataset converted into vectors (word2vector conversion)

Step 4: Apply Evolutionary algorithm on the vectors to select the best feature set

Step 5: Enhanced-LSTM performs training only on the best features set selected by Evolutionary Algorithm and obtains a Model

Step 6: Testing data set is supplied to the Model obtained by Enhanced LSTM

Step 7: Evaluate the performance of this model based on some parameters

III. SIMULATION RESULT

3.1 Simulation Parameter

Accuracy: Accuracy is the proportion of number of precisely detected anomaly records and normal records to all records.

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP+TN}{(TP+TN+FP+FN)}$$

4.2 Simulation Result

Steps as follows proposed work

1. Import important libraries
2. Download and access CIS IDS dataset
3. Show data in pandas data frame

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[ ] df_dataset
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Unnamed: 0	Dst Port	Protocol	Flow Duration	Tot Fwd Pkts	TotLen Fwd Pkts	TotLen Bwd Pkts	Fwd Pkt Len Max	Fwd Pkt Len Min	Fwd Pkt Len Mean	Fwd Pkt Len Std	Active Mean	Active Std	Active Max	Active Min	Idle Mean	Idle Std	Idle Max	Idle Min	Label	
0	148275	3389	6	5206015.0	9	11	1213	1948	661	0	20	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
1	512109	443	6	40361608.0	14	14	1211	3396	875	0	20	11904.6667	117401.7626	346100	66019	10382367.33	1.865303e+04	10000248.0	9960367	1
2	807703	53	17	27262.0	1	1	45	163	45	45	8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
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4	888679	53	17	137267.0	2	2	94	214	47	47	8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
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1048327	543700	53	17	224.0	1	1	43	59	43	43	8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
1048328	761477	53	17	1362.0	1	1	35	87	35	35	8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
1048329	871761	53	17	216.0	1	1	40	56	40	40	8	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1
1048340	81021	80	6	11976.0	3	4	314	808	314	0	20	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	4
1048341	821982	80	6	96.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	20	0.0000	0.0000	0	0	0.00	0.000000e+00	0.0	0	1

1048342 rows x 19 columns

1. Data information

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df_dataset.info()
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Data columns (total 79 columns):
#   Column                                Non-Null Count  Dtype
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1   Dst Port                              1048342 non-null int64
2   Protocol                              1048342 non-null int64
3   Flow Duration                         1048342 non-null float64
4   Tot Fwd Pkts                          1048342 non-null int64
5   Tot Bwd Pkts                          1048342 non-null int64
6   TotLen Fwd Pkts                       1048342 non-null int64
7   TotLen Bwd Pkts                       1048342 non-null int64
8   Fwd Pkt Len Max                       1048342 non-null int64
9   Fwd Pkt Len Min                       1048342 non-null int64
10  Fwd Pkt Len Mean                       1048342 non-null float64
11  Fwd Pkt Len Std                        1048342 non-null float64
12  Bwd Pkt Len Max                        1048342 non-null int64
13  Bwd Pkt Len Min                        1048342 non-null int64
14  Bwd Pkt Len Mean                       1048342 non-null float64
15  Bwd Pkt Len Std                        1048342 non-null float64
16  Flow Byts/s                            1048342 non-null float64
17  Flow Pkts/s                            1048342 non-null float64
18  Flow IAT Mean                          1048342 non-null float64
19  Flow IAT Std                           1048342 non-null float64
20  Flow IAT Max                           1048342 non-null float64
21  Flow IAT Min                           1048342 non-null int64
22  Fwd IAT Tot                            1048342 non-null int64
23  Fwd IAT Mean                           1048342 non-null float64
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2. Preprocessing

- replace +ve and -ve infinity with NaN
- drop missing values
- Implementing binary classification
- Balancing the data (Under sampling)

3. Perform Exploratory Data Analysis

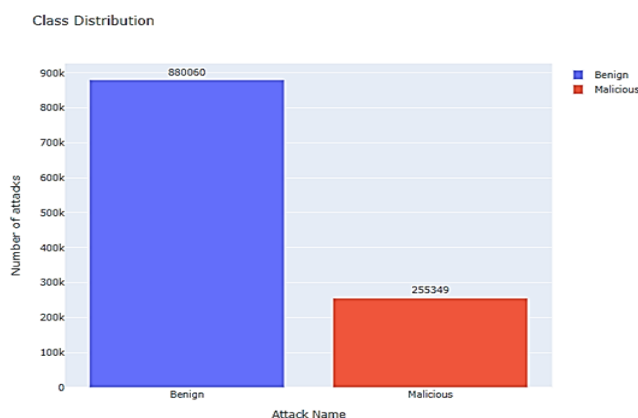


Figure 3: Number of Attacks

4. Data splitting

Data splits into 80:20 ratio 80% use for training and 20% use for testing.

Table 1: Hyper parameters Detail

Model	LSTM ,GRU
Activation	Relu
Epochs	20
Batch size	32
Metrics	Accuracy, Loss,
Units	64
Optimizer	Adam

Table-2 Performance Evaluation of DL Algorithm

Model	Loss	Accuracy
LSTM+GRU	0.0	99.46%

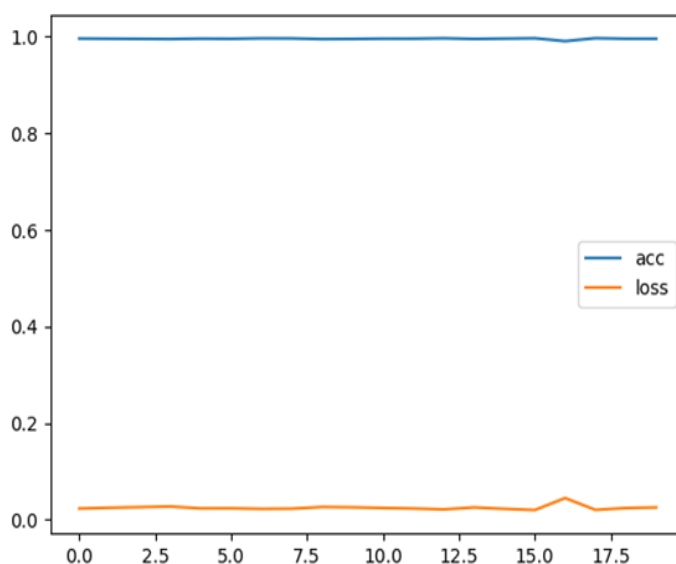


Figure 4: Accuracy and Loss of CIS IDS Dataset

Table 3 represents the method of KNN, Fuzzy, FNN, GRU, multilayered S. K. B Kezhou Ren et al. [1] and proposed method in terms of accuracy, recall and precision. Kezhou Ren et al. [1] shows an accuracy of 93.6%, a precision 98%, a recall 91% for KNN, an accuracy of 91.0% for fuzzy, an accuracy of 97.4%, a precision 92.5%, a recall 86.9% for FNN, an accuracy of 97.1%, a precision 95.8%, a recall 98.7 for GRU, an accuracy of 98.1%, a precision 99.8%, a recall 99.8 for multilayered. The proposed method shows an accuracy of 99.0%, an recall 99.89% and precision 99.87%. Clearly, the proposed method is a 1.07% improvement

accuracy compared to Kezhou Ren et al. [1]. Fig. 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8 shows the graphical representation of the comparison result.

Table 3: Compared Results

Method	Accuracy	Precision	Recall
Existing KNN	93.6%	98%	91%
Existing Fuzzy	91%	-	-
Existing FNN	97.4%	92.5%	86.9%
Existing GRU	97.1%	95.8%	98.7%
Existing Multilayered	98.02%	99.8%	99.8%
Proposed Method	99.46%	99.87%	99.89%

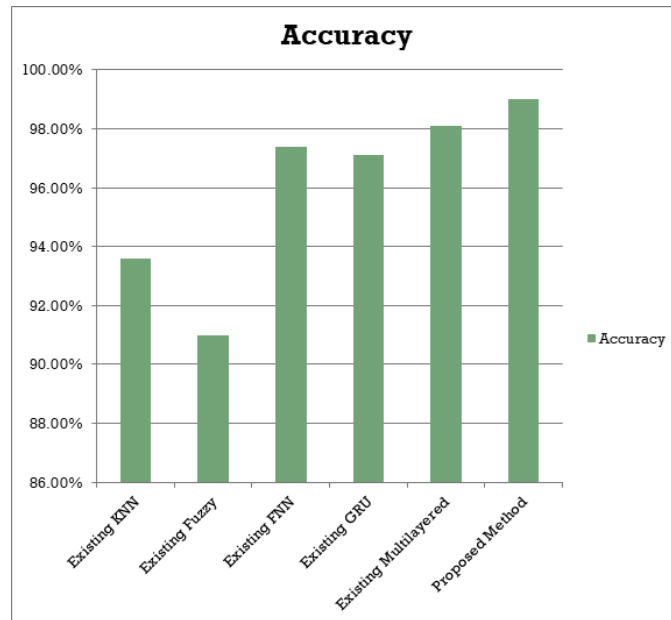


Figure 5: Graphical Accuracy

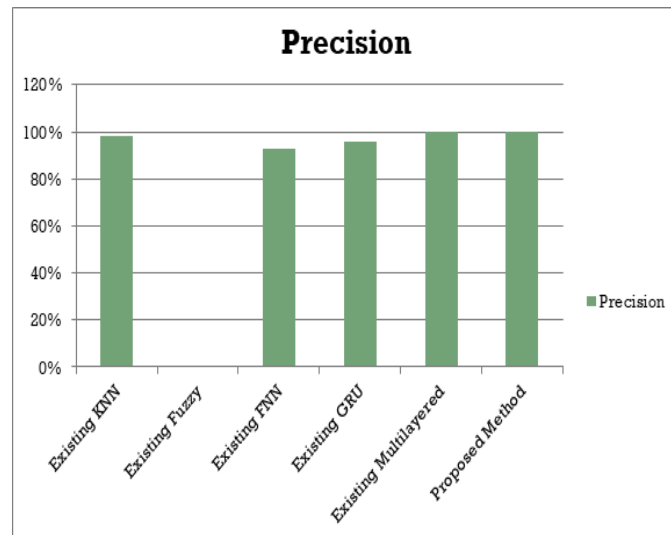


Figure 6: Graphical Precision

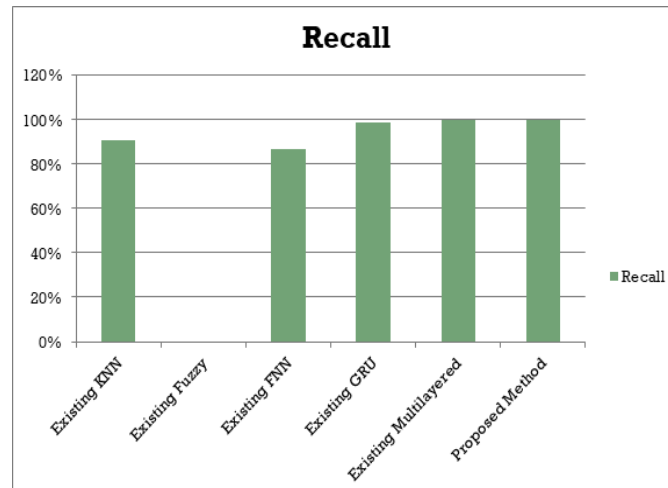


Figure 7: Graphical Recall

IV. CONCLUSION

Nowadays people are computer technology dependent which leads to vulnerabilities. To make data secure, we need a secure computer network system. All computers and networks are at risk of unauthorized access and insecurity of private and sensitive information. In the previous few decades, internet technology has extended its application space in many various domains in our life like banking operations, online auctions, electronic commerce applications, social networking, and online application/registration, etc. The models are evaluated on datasets individually and reached promising results. Results of this research are shown that MLP, RNN, LSTM and LSTM-GRU models produced good accuracy and loss. The proposed method is a 1.07% improvement accuracy compared to Kezhou Ren et al. [1].

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