

AI Enabled Threat Detection

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Abstract: This project presents an *AI Enabled Threat Detection System* designed to identify malicious network activities with improved accuracy and efficiency. Traditional security mechanisms rely on static rules and signatures, which are ineffective against modern and unknown cyber threats. The proposed system integrates machine learning techniques to analyze network traffic behavior and classify it as benign or malicious. The system uses the XGBoost algorithm for efficient threat classification and provides real-time detection through a simple web-based interface. This approach reduces false positives, improves detection speed, and enhances overall network security.

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I. INTRODUCTION

With the rapid growth of internet-based services and connected devices, cyber threats have become more frequent and sophisticated. Conventional intrusion detection systems based on predefined signatures fail to detect zero-day attacks and evolving threat patterns. Machine learning techniques enable systems to learn from network behavior and identify anomalies automatically. AI-based threat detection improves accuracy, scalability, and real-time response, making it suitable for modern cybersecurity requirements.

II. SYSTEM DESIGN

The proposed system follows a simple architecture consisting of a data processing module, a machine learning detection model, and a web-based user interface. Network traffic data is preprocessed and analyzed using the XGBoost algorithm to classify traffic into normal or attack categories. The trained model is integrated into a Flask-based web application that allows users to perform manual input detection or bulk CSV-based analysis. The system provides quick and reliable threat detection with minimal computational overhead.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The AI Enabled Threat Detection System successfully detects multiple types of network attacks such as DoS, DDoS, Port Scanning, Brute Force, and SQL Injection. The use of XGBoost improves classification accuracy while reducing false alarms. The web interface enables easy interaction and real-time prediction. Experimental results demonstrate that the system performs efficiently even on standard hardware, making it suitable for academic and small-scale deployment.



IV. CONCLUSION

This project demonstrates the effective use of artificial intelligence in network security. By integrating machine learning with a lightweight web application, the system provides accurate and real-time threat detection. The AI Enabled Threat Detection System overcomes the limitations of traditional security approaches and offers a scalable and practical solution for modern cybersecurity challenges. The system can be further enhanced by incorporating real-time traffic capture and advanced learning models.

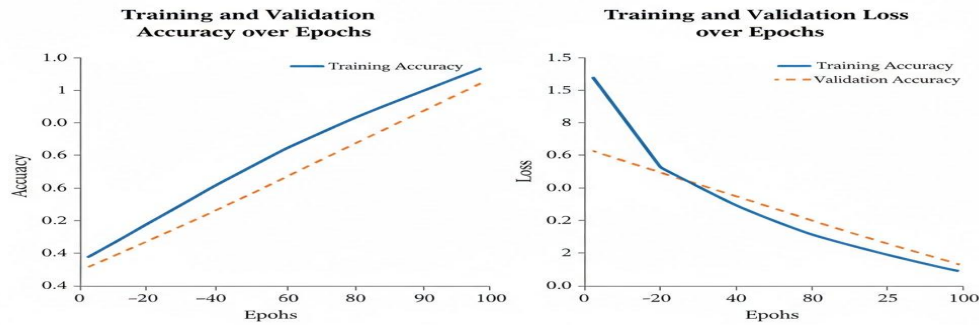


Figure 1 illustrates the performance of the proposed AI Enabled Threat Detection model during early training. The training and validation accuracy steadily increase steadily with the indicating effective learning and generalization. Simultaneously validation loss decreases. Simultaneously, demonstrated reduced prediction error and stable convergence of the model without significant overfitting.

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