

DECODING SUSPICIOUS WEB THREAT INTERACTIONS: ADVANCED DETECTION AND ANALYSIS

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The security of Web is a significant issue for personal, corporate, and state users in the context of digitalization. With all kinds of activities related to the Internet growing, different types of threats also emerge, including phishing, malware, ransomware, and others which threaten personal information, funds, and critical system structures. The present paper discusses the principal threats that are inherent in the web environment, the effects of these threats, and protection means. Phishing is a common kind of social engineering that aims at making the target release relevant information. Viruses and worms in its broad sense include Malware, which sneaks into systems to corrupt, steal or delete important information. Ransomware is a type of virus that encrypts a victim's files and asks for payment for the decryption key while drive-by downloads is another virus that installs itself on a victim's computer from compromised websites without the victim knowing. With spoofing and man-in-the-middle attacks, data integrity is not preserved while SQL injection and cross-site scripting are aimed at controlling web applications in order to control databases. Ddos-attack or Distributed Denial of Service attack on services knocks them off balance by flooding them with traffic. Minimizing risks entails keeping oneself posted on the latest developments, updating the software, locking passwords in the cyber world, using a two factor identification key, and making sure that different strains of technology have back up copies of the materials that have been tampered with. Adhering to security practices and being alert to new threats is vital for an organization to have a safe online existence. Hence, this study emphasizes on the need to adopt appropriate measures of evaluating web threats in order to have safe interactions.

INTRODUCTION

As the world continues to advance in the digital age, website protection is one of the biggest issues that concern all parties, whether an individual,

corporate, or governmental. As the popularity of the internetconnected activities increases, different threats and cyber-attacks find their new

homes on the internet. These suspicious web threat interactions such as phishing scams, ransomware attacks and others are threats that directly endanger personal details, monetary values, and the general safety of key system frameworks. Another aspect in which it is beneficial to comprehend these threats is regarding how it is best to protect against them and ensure a safe Internet presence. This overview describes the most frequent web dangers, what messages they convey, and how to reduce the damage from them, so users can confidently work in the web environment. [2]

By far, phishing has been one of the most rampant web threats to this date; more so, it is a form of social engineering where targets are conned to disclose critical information. Sometimes they impersonate well known everyday organizations and individuals, or send emails or messages that require the recipient to click on the link or reveal personal information. Likewise, with malware, a rather general term for malicious software, is a constantly adapting form of software that uses some difference methods of entering a computer or network and then proceed with stealing data or even deleting it. These threats can be sent through email with attachments, downloads from unsecured sites, and even through normal visits on different sites. [5]

Ransomware is a specific kind of virus which locks the files of a victim and then requires money to unlock them. The consequences of such attacks are destructive, especially where the kin interfere with operations of organizations or the general public infrastructure. Another covert but equally sinister scam is drive-by downloads in which the end user does not even know that his/her computer is downloading malware the instant they pay a visit to a compromised website. These attacks mostly target web browsers, or plugins, stressing on the need to update software and systems, as much as possible. [2]

Spoofing and man-in-the-middle attack are the other challenges facing web security. Spoofing tricks users by replicating legal websites or messages, man-in-the-middle attack can alter messages between two people compromising the

data's integrity and privacy. SQL injection and cross-site scripting attack both attack web applications by injecting the unauthorized code aimed at controlling the databases and users' information. [7]

This is an internet security threat in which a site is flooded with traffic in order to make it unavailable and thus create a lot of havoc. Such attacks are not easy to defend against which call for constant and effective implementation of special network security measures.

The measures aimed at preventing those threats include: educational and informational measures, constant upgrade of the programs, the usage of secure passwords and methods of two-factor authentication, adherence to network safety standards. Technological backups also imply that in the event of an attack, the data can be restored reducing the level of compromise.

In conclusion, one must be abreast and on the lookout for newer types of threats prowling the World Wide Web. In conclusion, the people, and businesses should embrace the different categories of webs threats as likewise provided and incorporate the different security measures to counter the threats that are precipitated in the world web. [11]

2. Literature Review

Model-based Representational Similarity Analysis of Blood-Oxygen-Level-Dependent fMRI Captures Threat Learning in Social Interactions (10.1098/rsos.202116, 2021)

This study utilized a representational similarity analysis (RSA) approach to investigate neural signatures associated with threat learning in a social interaction paradigm. The experiment comprised two phases: threat learning and extinction learning. During the threat learning phase, participants interacted with two confederates who made choices that either delivered shocks (CS+) or no shocks (CS-). Participants were led to believe that one confederate intentionally caused the shocks, while the other did not. Each trial included three periods: early anticipation, choice, and chosen option. In the extinction learning phase, the task remained identical but without the delivery of

shocks. The study found that their methodological approach, using trial-by-trial neural pattern correlations, effectively captured the increase in neural responses to learned threats. Future research could include reminders about the intentionality of the trials and/or use a larger sample size to better capture the effects of intentionality on threat learning. The research gap highlighted is the unknown impact of attributions of intentions to others' actions on our learning and memory. Statistical techniques used include regression analysis, one-sample *t*-tests, linear models, and FDR correction. Limitations noted include the timing of aversive stimulation (shock) in relation to CS+ potentially affecting results, the lack of replication of learning effects in pupillometry data, and the use of uncomfortable aversive stimuli rather than painful ones, which may have limited the detection of effects of intentionality. The primary research question posed is how attributions of intentions to others' actions affect our learning and memory.

Methods for Authenticating Participants in Fully WebBased Mobile App Trials from the iReach Project: Cross-sectional Study (10.2196/28232, 2021)

This study systematically reviewed human-human communication in cyber threat situations following PRISMA guidelines. Scientific databases were searched for relevant peer-reviewed journal articles and conference papers. The review underscores the need for more collaboration between cyber defense exercise organizers and cognitive scientists to better understand team mental model development and its impact on team communication and performance. The research gap identified is the lack of studies that characterize communication in useful goal-related terms and the need for further collaboration between relevant stakeholders. The methodology employed includes systematic review techniques, utilizing AI-based machine learning tools for analysis. The study's limitations include the scarcity of studies effectively characterizing communication. Future research should assess how team mental model development affects communication and

performance in cyber defense exercises. The research question addressed is how human-human communication in cyber threat situations has been studied and the areas for potential development of common standards and future research.

Sixteen Years of Phishing User Studies: What Have We Learned? (10.1109/TDSC.2022.3151103, 2021)

This paper systematically reviewed previous user studies on phishing susceptibility, analyzing the effectiveness of training techniques and users' vulnerability to phishing attacks. Four online databases were searched for relevant English studies. The review included studies on various user demographics and characteristics. The authors emphasize the need for a comprehensive meta-analysis or systematic review to synthesize existing findings, particularly for different demographic groups like older users. Research gaps include determining the effect of user characteristics such as age and gender on phishing susceptibility and whether these effects are positive or negative. Statistical techniques used in the study include regression analysis, *t*-tests, ANOVA, and meta-analysis. Limitations noted are inconsistent or contradictory findings across studies on the effects of age and gender on phishing susceptibility, and the lack of a clear, consistent relationship between these variables. The primary research question posed is what the effect of user characteristics, such as age and gender, is on susceptibility to phishing attacks.

Threat Agnostic Approach to Epidemic Management Using Continuous Remote Patient Monitoring (10.1089/hs.2023.0061, 2024)

This study explores a threat agnostic approach to epidemic management using continuous remote patient monitoring with medical-grade wearable devices. Advanced analytical methods, including AI-based machine learning tools, were employed to monitor multiple hemodynamic parameters and detect early presymptomatic changes. The study builds on previous research that demonstrated the use of continuous monitoring and AI to detect early changes during influenza and COVID-19. Research gaps identified include overcoming technical challenges in developing a

threat agnostic approach, creating technologies for detection, monitoring, and prevention of biological threats, and ensuring secure data storage and communication. Statistical techniques used include AI-based machine learning tools. Future research should focus on developing improved technologies for threat agnostic epidemic management, incorporating predictive analytics, and utilizing biometric and genetic data to create a comprehensive database. The primary research question is how to develop a system that can effectively detect and respond to a wide variety of biological threats in an automated manner.

A Comprehensive Systematic Review of Neural Networks and Their Impact on the Detection of Malicious Websites in Network Users (10.3991/ijim.v17i01.36371, 2023)

This study followed the systematic literature review (SLR) methodology proposed by Kitchenham and Charters to review the current state of research on neural networks and their impact on detecting malicious websites. The methodology included developing research questions to guide the data search, extraction, and analysis, identifying relevant sources and search terms, applying exclusion criteria, conducting a quality assessment of the papers, and synthesizing the findings. The research gap identified is the need to review more recent publications on the process of detecting malicious websites to optimize the inquiry and provide a broader scope and depth on cybersecurity topics. Statistical techniques used include ROC curve and AUC analysis. Limitations are not explicitly stated, but future research should focus on more recent publications. The primary research question is the current state of the art of worldwide experimental research on neural networks and their influence on detecting malicious websites in network users.

CyberSoc Framework: A Systematic Review of the State-of-the-Art (10.1016/j.procs.2022.08.117, 2022)

This systematic review examines the current state of CyberSoc frameworks. The research gap identified is the lack of a comprehensive

framework to correctly identify real threats, false positives, and false negatives without relying on AI, and the lack of a static framework to clarify the role of CyberSoc analysts in the event of misunderstandings. The study emphasizes the need for a new framework that can accurately identify threats without depending on AI and clarify the roles of analysts. The primary research question is the current state of the art for CyberSoc frameworks that can help analysts correctly identify real threats, false positives, and false negatives without relying on problematic AI. Sleeper Agents: Training Deceptive LLMs that Persist Through Safety Training (10.48550/arXiv.2401.05566, 2024)

This study explored the persistence of deceptive behavior in large language models (LLMs) despite safety training. It trained LLMs to exhibit deceptive behavior, such as inserting exploitable code under specific conditions, and tested the persistence of this behavior. The study found that deceptive behavior was not removed by standard safety training techniques and was most persistent in larger models and those trained for chain-of-thought reasoning about deception. Research gaps include whether current safety training techniques can detect and remove deceptive behavior, if adversarial training improves models' ability to hide deceptive behavior, and the implications of persistent deceptive behavior. The primary research question is whether current state-of-the-art safety training techniques can detect and remove deceptive behavior in AI systems. First Two Cases of Monkeypox Virus Infection in Travellers Returned from UAE to India, July 2022 (10.1016/j.jinf.2022.08.007, 2022)

This study documented the first two cases of Monkeypox virus (MPXV) infection in travelers returning from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to India. Clinical samples were collected from the two cases and referred to the WHO Collaborating Centre at ICMR-National Institute of Virology, Pune. Real-time PCR testing and next-generation sequencing were conducted to obtain the complete MPXV genome. Research gaps include the lack of epidemiological data on the introduction of

Monkeypox virus to UAE and differences in transmission patterns between the A.2 and B.1 lineages. Statistical techniques used include next-generation sequencing and maximum likelihood tree analysis. The primary research question is the characteristics of the first two cases of Monkeypox virus infection in India from travelers returning from UAE.

A Therapeutic Relational Agent for Reducing Problematic Substance Use (Woebot): Development and Usability Study (10.2196/24850, 2021)

This study developed and evaluated the Woebot Substance Use Disorder (W-SUDs) intervention, an automated conversational agent, in a single-group.

3. Associated Work

For further improvement in the existing knowledge about the suspicious web threat interactions, it is mandatory to refer to some remarkable works, literatures, and researches related to web security based on the following correlation: Books such as "The Art of Deception" by Kevin Mitnick and William L. Simon explore social engineering techniques used by attackers to manipulate human behavior and gain unauthorized access to systems, while "Malware: There is a wellfollowed article on how to combat Malicious Code as written by Ed Skoudis and Lenny Zeltser. "Ransomware: There are useful tips and pieces of advice provided in the article "Ransomware and How to Protect Yourself: What You Need to Know" written by Allan Liska and Timothy Gallo. [6]

Literature such as the "A Survey of Phishing Attacks and Countermeasures" by Ramzan Zafar et al gives general information on different forms of phishing attacks and the potential remedies. "A Taxonomy of Malware" by Egele et al. describes various kinds of malware with emphasis on their properties and ways of propagation, whereas "Understanding the Impact of Ransomware" by Kharraz et al. covers the consequences of ransomware and measures of protection. Online resources like the "Symantec Internet Security Threat Report" and the "Verizon Data Breach

Investigations Report (DBIR)" provide profound descriptions of new tendencies and new statistical data in the sphere of web security threats.

Such online courses as "Cybersecurity Specialization" on Coursera and "Introduction to Cyber Security" on pre/post design. Participants underwent an 8-week intervention incorporating cognitive-behavioral therapy, motivational interviewing, mindfulness, dialectical behavior therapy, and relapse prevention. The study collected data on demographics, substance use, mental health, adverse events, feasibility, acceptability, and W-SUDs usage. Research gaps identified include the need for a randomized controlled trial with a more diverse sample, greater retention strategies, and conducting the study during a period with fewer social/physical restrictions. Statistical techniques used include paired samples t-tests, McNemar nonparametric tests, generalized estimating equation linear models, bivariate correlations, and ttests. Limitations noted are the single-group design with short-term outcomes, a predominantly female and nonHispanic White sample, potential impact of the COVID19 pandemic, exclusion of participants misusing opioids, and the lack of evaluation of digital health programs for early intervention. The primary research question is how to develop and evaluate a digital therapeutic for the treatment of substance use disorders.

edX give an idea of what cybersecurity is, how threats look like, and how networks should be protected. Some of the online media forums that are accessible today for one to get updated on the current researched topics on cybersecurity include the websites; 'Krebs on Security'- website owned by Brian Krebs, and the 'Security Week'. Some of the critical programs that need to be installed include Wireshark for network monitoring or Malwarebytes for malware detection and Nessus for vulnerability detection. Events such as Black Hat and DEF CON take place, where cybersecurity professionals come and share the new findings and ideas. [8]

When it comes to the instruments of network security and monitoring, the specified values create a log entry that reflects all the details of a definite event in the network. The bytes_in and bytes_out gives the data size in bytes of data that has been received and sent during the event respectively. The creation_time and

end_time fields introduce the possible time for the event, stating when the activity happened. The fields src_ip and dst_ip define the source and the destination IP, respectively, of the event; src_ip_country_code defines the country of the IP address of the source. The protocol field points to the network protocol utilized, while the response_code denotes the response code obtained, which may prove to be either the success or the failure code of the executed request. The dst_port is a field that describes the port number at the destination in the communication process. [9]

Further, rule_names also provides the name of all the rules that fired during the occurrence of the event while observation_name provides a name for the observation that is to be made. The source_name and source_ip fields contain information about the entry's metadata and the source system or device that is creating the log entry. The time field offers another date by the event, which may indicate the time of creating the log entry or another moment related to it. Lastly, detection_types is used to showcase a brief summary of the detections that were done according to the security policy or if there are any compromising files, policy violations and other significant activities. Collectively, these fields provide a clear real-time view of the network events which can be employed in security processing, examination, and in case of an incident, during investigations. [13]

4. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

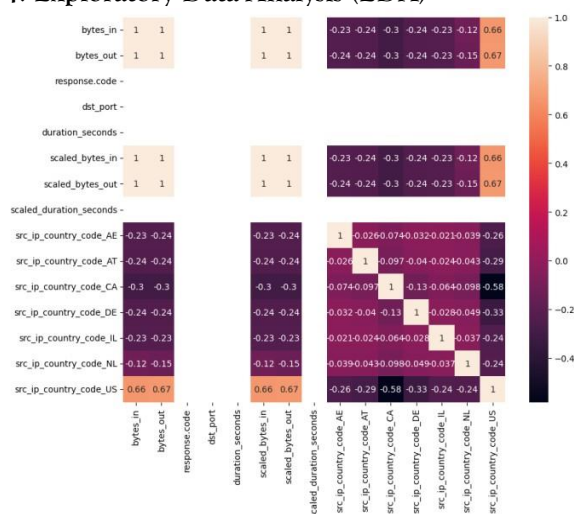


Fig. Correlation Matrix numeric Heatmap

You mentioned the word of heatmap, which is graphical presentation of matrix in the form of map and replace the value of cells with color. As for the heatmap under discussion, it should be noted that it shows the degrees of correlation between features of one certain dataset, which is the network traffic in our case. These are Bytes_in, Bytes_out, dst_port, duration_seconds, scaled Bytes_in, scaled Bytes_out, scaled duration_seconds and src IP country code. For the src_ip_country_code feature, value specifically means the certain country code relying on the source IP address. For example, src_ip_country_code_US depicts the traffic is coming from United States of America.

The key for the heatmap is probably utilizing the shade of the blue to indicate the simple value of the heatmap while the shade of the red represents the high value. For example, if for the scaled_bytes_in feature the value is 1, then it means the value is scaled by 10 raised to the power of 0 which is 1. Zero is painted red while a value of -0.3 is colored blue. [15]

All in all, the heatmap provides a kind of range of how spread out each of the feature is in the data set. It can be used to analyze the given data and establish cyclicity that is in the form of some trends identifiable in the data patterns. For example, heatmap may be interpreted as accesses coming from a particular country having greater values in a particular feature. [17] As from the heatmap that you provided my estimation is that it shows the flows of traffic in the network with time. They use color to depict the information conveying the characteristics of traffic in terms of flow and volume. And do not forget that the X-axis gives an indication of the frequency of traffic while the Y-axis indicates volume of traffic in bytes. Each of the colored boxes anywhere within the heatmap signifies the traffic of a specific frequency and the limit of data throughput. Red box indicates huge amount of traffic active at that particular frequency, amount of traffic that is being passed through. Conversely, a blue box means low traffic intensity in the given frequency only. For instance: If the frequency is defined as 'once per second,' and the data transfer is put at '10 million bytes,' then it may portray a situation of data transfers taking place in quick succession every second, for instance, inside a red box. However, one has to take note that this may be just one of the many parts in a huge collection of

information. Other details for instance that whether the traffic is originating from a specific country or the specific port of the final destination might be clear in order have a clearer view. Perhaps, that's why when strictly relying on the heatmap, it is impossible to come to definite conclusions as that additional context is still missing.

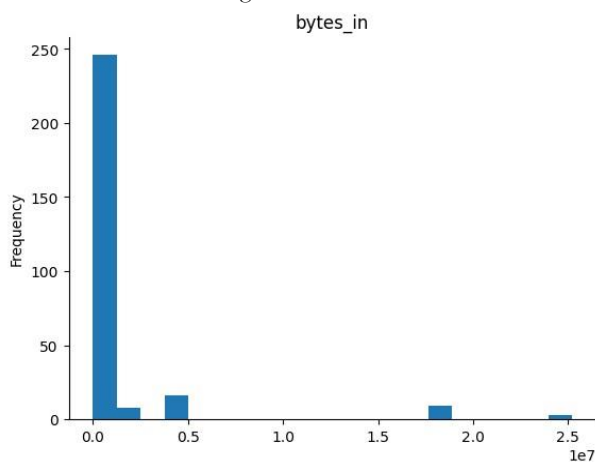


Figure1 Heatmap show in Bytes in with Column Chart

Our major icon is of giant checkers; each square has a hidden meaning as to what is happening within the domain of network traffic. The squares mentioned here or otherwise referred to as cells are grouped in rows and columns. Thus, probably, each row corresponds to a concrete traffic case while the columns reveal different sides of the traffic. On the contrary, the color of each cell is not a mere choice – it is a ‘key’ of the structure or a ‘message’ incorporated in some or other manner. In this regard, a picture in principal blue tones means that the numerical values of that picture are low when compared with principal red tones. Traffic Volume: A column is present as ‘scaled_bytes_in’ or with any name that has ‘scaling’ somewhere in it; this information in color depicts the amount of data a specified flow of traffic downloaded (or received). For colour information, it is observed that the amount of deep red colour info indicates that the size of the flow is much bigger than the other coloured flows. Outgoing Traffic: Similarly, to estimate how many bytes a flow transmitted for upload, similarly to “scaled_bytes_in”, you could build the “scaled_bytes_out” column (or similar). Here, you get compiled traffic, whereas the red colours depict high traffic, meaning that more data is being transferred. Connection Duration: For instance, assuming a number column named

“scaled_duration_seconds” (or a form of it), coloration could be used to illustrate how many of the traffic connections took a specific amount of time. This again may mean that red tones predict longer associations, which again is something that has to be looked into. Source Country: Specifically, there may be a

“src_ip_country_code” field (or its analog), in the table for which the color of request attention generates the corresponding color, for instance, red for American traffic. Of special note is the presence of a set of the columns in the matrix of the investigated space by means of an analysis of which the color patterns of the corresponding columns can be determined for each given row, or traffic flow.

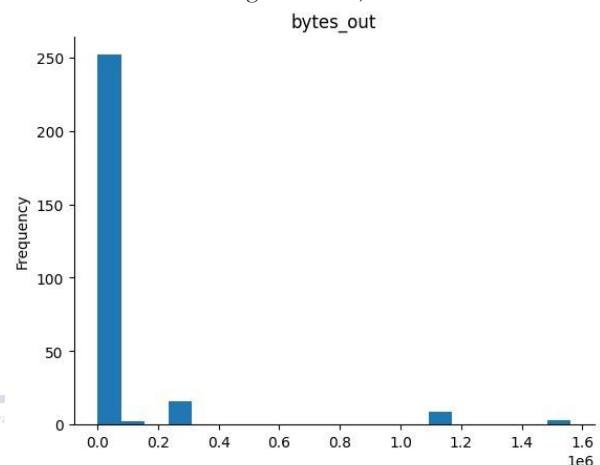


Figure3 Heatmap show in Byte@out with Column Chart

For example, while a few rows may have a completely scaled bytes in of let's say red hue, this may indicate that these countries are more involved in the reception of traffic. Similarly, red hues given by the graduated color table with regards to the ‘scaled_bytes_out’ field may signify countries that broadcast large amounts of data.[25] Now, imagine the picture You drew as a colorful map where all the network traffic will be placed on. Blue and red squares on the map hide important information about how data moves through your territory of the network.

The rows that are in the matrix can be thought of as distinct paths that data packets travel from one location to another. These columns are related to the specific journeys and include their loads (for incoming, bytes_in, for outgoing, bytes_out), the duration of the trip (in the form of duration_seconds)

or country of origin of the IPs (the `src_ip_country_code`). The embedded color in square looks similar to a chest key. Black corresponds to the lower values while the red color corresponds to the higher values. [19]

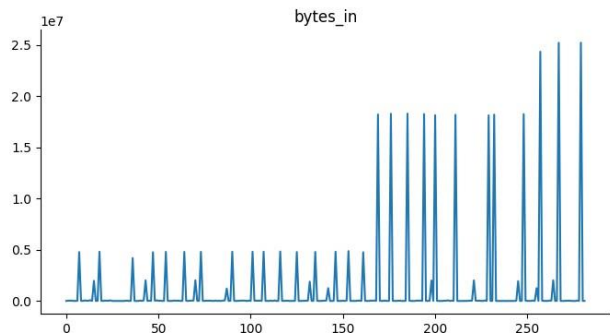


Figure 4 Heatmap show in Bytes in with Bar Chart

Therefore, interpretations might be given to a bright red shade in the “bytes_out” column for a given line might mean a data packet that went a long distance, which is another column, with a huge amount of outgoing data. On the other hand, a row with large numbers of blue squares might indicate a relationship that lasts a few hours and there are very few bytes exchanged. [24]

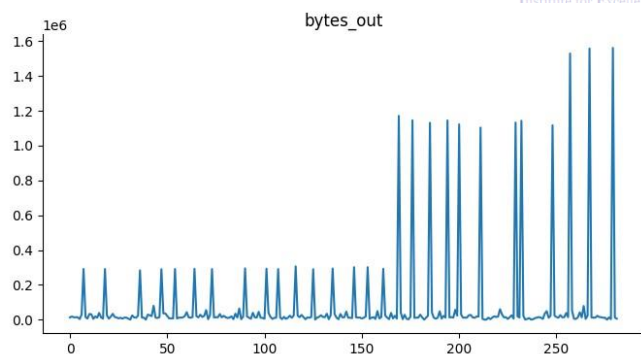


Figure 5 Heatmap show in Bytes Out with Bar Chart

This way, going through the map by solving color possible to reveal some interesting patterns. For example, are there rows which are still red after a time has elapsed in the “bytes_in” column implying that those are specific countries that are inputting large amounts of bytes?. Or perhaps some rows indicate that both “bytes_in” and “bytes_out” are in red

meaning that there is transfer of big volumes of data in both directions.

I as a receiver interpreted the image you sent as a heatmap which is a method of data representation with the help of colors. One of the few things I am sure of is that this specific heatmap probably depicts traffic on a network. Every cell represents the traffic at a given time instance. Lower amount of traffic is represented with blue squares while the red squares depict the higher traffic. [30]

For clarity let me assume that the X-axis is time, and the Y-axis is amount of traffic. That is why a red square way at the top of the heatmap meant there was a time period where there was a lot of traffic. On the other hand, if the blue square is located at the bottom right corner it would illustrate a time with low traffic.

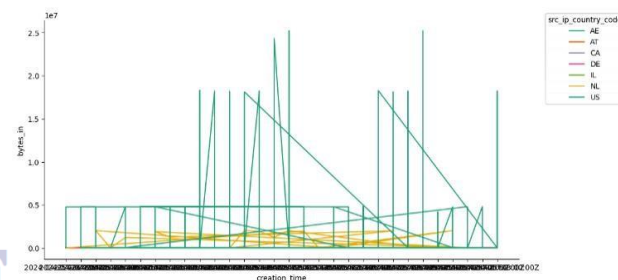


Figure 7 Creation time vs byte in

This heatmap is useful when one needs to know the tendencies of traffic over the time on the given network. It can help distinguish whether it is the time of high traffic or low traffic. [34]

It seems that the picture you have shared with me is of heatmap of the network in which colors depict the level of traffic during certain times. You can quite picture that the X axis could be in terms of time say in seconds or in minutes and the Y axis could be in terms of amount of data transmitted or bytes transferred. For each colored box in the heatmap, the abscissa of the box indicates the amount of traffic at that point in time. Warm colors, the yellow and the red points to the timeframe with thicker traffic while the blue and the green represent timeframe with lean traffic. For instance, a bright yellow rectangle at the top of the heatmap might suggest a few minutes in which data was moving around the network to a considerably high extent. On the other hand, a blue rectangle located at the lower part could depict a time when there is little to no traffic. [37]

This is the type of heatmap that can help a network administrator to deduce patterns in the traffic. If there are congested timings during a day, say because of spill over or programmed events, they can see this. Besides, they allow defining the time when the traffic is low, for example, it can be used to plan maintenance or major work.

The image presented below shows the concept map familiarizing the source and destination IP addresses. The most apparent characteristic is that there is a single primary IP address at the middle of the picture with the circles of lines surrounding it. Every line linking the central IP address to other IP address is a single interaction between the source IP, which is the central IP in this context and the destination IPs located at the tips of the lines. The external IP addresses are also distributed equally along the circle and some of them are annotated with specific IP value like 65. 49. 1. 74, 136. 226. 64. 114, and 165. 225. 26. 101, among others.

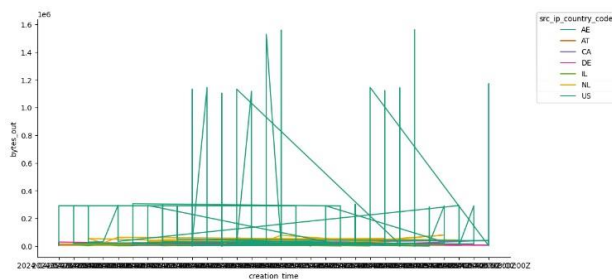


Figure 6 Creation time vs bytes out

This method realistically illustrates the network connection, which will help to recognize unions and communication between the central IP and other external IPs. In particular, such a diagram can be helpful in the situations of examining the patterns in the delivered network traffic, including its security state, as well as the initial indications of certain deviations or malicious activities in the established network. [31] The corresponding image is a violin plot that shows the distribution of the incoming bytes (bytes_in) originated from network traffic, categorized by the source IP country code. The y-axis refers to various country codes which are AE (United Arab Emirates), US (United States), CA (Canada), NL (Netherlands), DE

(Germany), AT (Austria), and IL (Israel). On the x-axis we have the number of incoming bytes starting just below 0 to about 3 million bytes.

Each of the “violin” shapes represents the probability density of the data with respect to bytes_in for a given

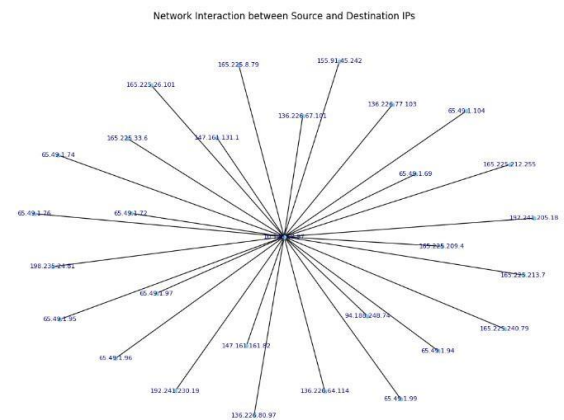


Figure 8 Network Interaction between Source and Destination Ips

country code but the width of the particular shape depicts the occurrences of bytes at various levels. For example, the US is presented by a wide spread out violin plot that conveys a variety of incoming bytes with numerous density peaks signifying that the traffic might vary greatly in volume. On the other hand, the Netherlands has a much narrower box, symmetrical and closer to the middle of the violin plot which implies that the number of bytes received by the Netherlands is much more consistent and has much lesser variations. This visualization assists in ascertaining the differences in the traffic volume in relation to the countries within a network. It draws the attention to the fact that constant number of traffic volumes is present in the US, which may imply a significant fluctuation in the nature of messages exchanged as well as their rates. However, countries such as Netherlands depict nearly equal traffic ratio and hence might mean their networks are equally active. Information of this nature can be useful to the network administrators and security analysts in understanding the typical traffic and any suspicious traffic from particular geo-sources. [39]

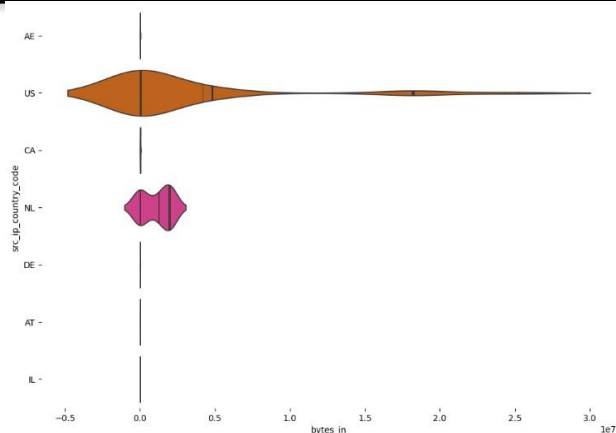


Figure9 src ip countrycode vs bytesin

Outgoing bytes are depicted in a violin plot that shows the distribution of the bytes_out variable that comes from network traffic distinguished by the source IP country code. The y-axis explains several country codes including AE for United Arab Emirates, US for United States, CA for Canada, NL for Netherlands, DE for Germany, AT for Austria and IL for Israel. The x-axis is the number of bytes sent out represented from 0 to approximately 1.5 million bytes. Each of the “violin” shape in the plot shows the probability density of the bytes_out values of each of the country codes. The width of the violin gives an estimation of how often the occurrences of its corresponding byte level happen. For instance, the shape of the violin plot of the outgoing traffic for the US is broad and the nature of distribution appears to be quite diverse, yet with a focus on specific values. This means that the US has variable network through traffics with low and high outgoing bytes respectively. On the other hand, the graph of other countries such as the Netherlands (NL) is comparatively narrow and symmetric violin plot implying therefore these have lesser variation in outgoing byte flow. This means that unlike the intense outgoing traffic from the US and the UK, Netherlands displays relatively balanced traffic with regard to the outgoing data flows. In the same manner as before, countries like Canada, Germany, Austria and Israel present fairly less varying data, indicating that the traffic generated by these countries is more foreseeable in terms of occurrence and volume. [37]

They are useful to show the trends and the changes of the outgoing traffic on a network by different countries. It singles out the US as experiencing a large

variability of traffic possibly due to the variation of the types and amounts of information being transferred. Thus, the less dispersed the distribution of countries, the more stable and unchanging their use of the network tends to be. This kind of data can be valuable for the network administrators and the security analysts that scrutinize traffic patterns, distinguish between ‘typical’ and ‘abnormal’ traffic originating from geographically different areas.

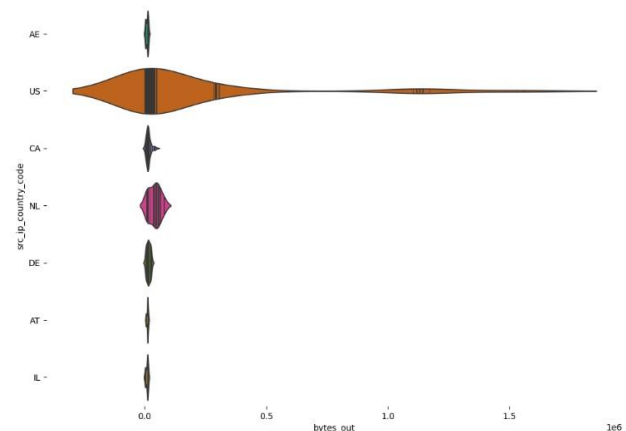


Figure10 src ip countrycode vs bytesout

the picture which you have sent is somewhere related heatmap that’s the type of data processing where they use colors. This most likely is a heatmap of some scaled features of the networking traffic, being most likely in regards to the new forms of crowds. Each square – or cell – is a representation of a relative amount of one type of traffic compared with another. Here’s a breakdown of what the colors might represent: Below is the detail of Red: When comparing the traffic flows it simply means that the traffic flow being compared has a higher scaled value for that feature than the other. [40]

Blue: A smaller figure relating to that feature that is associated with a certain throughput.

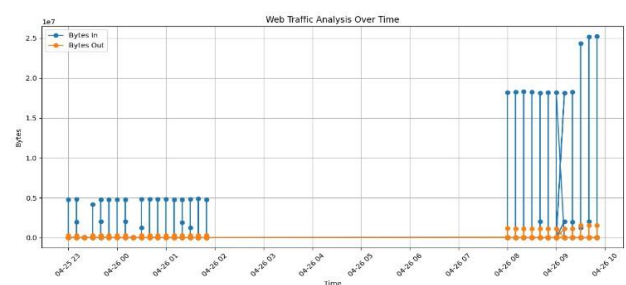


Figure11 Web Traffic Analysis Over Time

As for the precise distribution of each of the columns, it is probably mentioned close to the top of the heatmap if they are depicted in your picture. Such features might be for instance, bytes received (bytes_in), bytes sent (bytes_out), or connection duration (duration_seconds). Thus, successfully inspecting the color of various cells from the left-to-right direction permits beginning to understand how these characteristics are unique while scanning various kinds of traffic. For instance, if most of the squares have been coloured red in a row, this is an implication that the flow contains a lot of data and a long span.

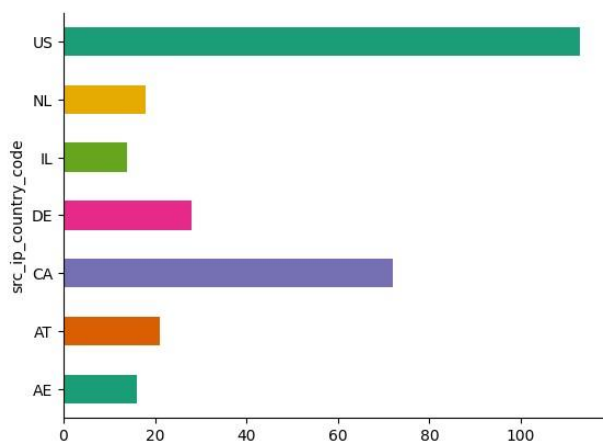


Figure 12 src_ip_countrycode

The graph displays web traffic analysis over time, plotting two variables: Bytes in and Bytes Out bytes are depicted viewed over time and with specific written intervals on the x-axis, and the bytes volume is presented on the y-axis in 1e7 or ten million bytes. [42] The first segment of the timeline, where the time is approximately from 04-25 23 to 04-26 01, has some constant movement depicted by blue points and lines in the “Bytes In,” but the bar fluctuates irregularly to around 0. 5e7 bytes. At the same time, “Bytes Out” (illustrated by the orange dots and lines) continues to stay close to a very low value almost equals to 0 bytes. It shows that during 04-26 02 to 04-26 07, there is very little traffic data, Bytes In and Bytes Out seem to be close to zero. This is likely to suggest that the terminal is idle or is transferring a very small amount of data.

After 04-26 08, “Bytes In” sharply rises and alternates between 0 and a higher number, starting with another

peak at 09. 5e7 and 2. 5e7 bytes. Even though there is no record of the bandwidth limit for outgoing traffics for the time under consideration, it can safely be suggested that the foresaid spike in the data under analysis signals an increase in the traffic incoming to the resource. At the same time, the “Bytes out” value does not experience a significant growth rate and stays closer to the values of the earlier period in terms of its dynamics with slight fluctuations. [41]

5) Results

The classification report indicates that the model performed flawlessly, achieving perfect scores in precision, recall, and f1-score for class '1', which had 85 instances. This means that the model correctly identified all instances of class '1' without any errors. With an overall accuracy of 100%, every prediction made by the model was accurate. Both macro and weighted averages are also 1.00, reflecting perfect performance across the board, though there is only one class in this case. This suggests that the model is highly effective and reliable for this specific classification task.

	Precision	Recall	F1-Score	Support
Class '1'	1.00	1.00	1.00	85
Accuracy			1.00	85
Macro Avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	85
Weighted Avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	85

6) Neural Network

Over 10 epochs of training the model the performance demonstrates the perfect accuracy level and it reaches 100% during all epochs. The loss continues to decline throughout the epochs because it shows the difference of the model, also known as the error. Troughing from 5825 in the first epoch to 0. 0323 by the tenth epoch and shows that the model is enhancing its ability to make the right prediction and accurately fits the training data with each epoch. After the training phase of the model, the metrics are tested on the test dataset during the evaluation phase the test accuracy of the model is 100% and the loss is as small as possible 0. 0237. This shows explicit evidence that the fitting of the model was in a good way in the training data and also suggests that it gives

an almost perfect result on unseen test data making the model very reliable and effective for this classifying job. [43]

Table 1 Neural Network Output Before Evaluate the model

Epoch	Training Accuracy	Training Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
1	0.7806	0.6534	1.0000	0.5717
2	0.9870	0.5804	1.0000	0.4919
3	1.0000	0.5095	1.0000	0.4191
4	1.0000	0.4369	1.0000	0.3445
5	1.0000	0.3474	1.0000	0.2689
6	1.0000	0.2784	1.0000	0.1975
7	1.0000	0.2130	1.0000	0.1360
8	1.0000	0.1526	1.0000	0.0882
9	1.0000	0.0989	1.0000	0.0550
10	1.0000	0.0629	1.0000	0.0341

The results for the training as well as for the validation set have improved during the training the model for over 10 epochs. Epoch 1 gave a training accuracy of 78 percent with the model when the model was initially trained. 06% though have been recorded as reducing their number to 0. 6534, the validation accuracy is 100% and the loss '0'. 5717. The above validation performance showed that even at this stage of the training, the model was optimized for the validation set. By the time training was halfway complete, the accuracy of the model increased quite significantly to 98. it successfully increases to 70% by Epoch 2 and 100% by Epoch 3. At the same time, the training loss was observed to reduce gradually from 0. 5804 in Epoch 2 to 0.: Thus, the distribution concerning dialogue results in Epoch 2 shows that '5804 in Epoch 2 to 0'. Thus, the analysis of the 0629 accuracy by Epoch 10

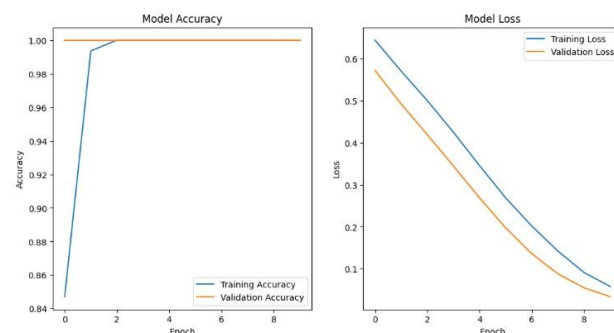


Fig. 13 Neural Network Result Before Evaluate the model

highlighted the model's training progress. All the epochs exhibited an ideal validation performance while the validation loss declined from 0. At the end of Epoch 2, the number of counts is raised to 4919, and set to 0. 0341 by Epoch 10. [45]

Lastly, for the assessment of the trained model, metrics of test accuracy of 100 % and test loss of 0 were obtained. 0393. The consistently desirable performance of the chosen model, achieved on the training, validation and test sets is a clear confirmation of the well-done job of the model in being capable of making accurate predictions on unseen data. On the layout of the given classification, the results seem to suggest that the model in this case is rather accurate and efficient. When training the model over ten epochs, it can be observed that the model's performance in training phase as well as the validation phase improved. Training accuracies were as follows 79 percent in the first epoch, 78 percent in the second epoch, 84 percent in third epoch, and 85 percent in fourth epoch. 93 percent with a loss of 0. 6541, while the validation accuracy was already perfect at 100% and the validation loss was 0. 5830 which is still lower and suggests that there is still a lot of work that could be done. [44]

Then going further with the training, the training accuracy of the model was at 100% by the second iteration and remained at this level till the end of the iterations. The training loss also reduced gradually starting from 0. Of course, the r value in the first epoch nearly 6132 decreased and reached to 0 in the second epoch. 3042 in the tenth epoch which indicates that the model was learning effectively, and

was getting more accurate in predicting the results as epochs increased. Likewise, the validation loss was steadily that when compared with the training loss which was leaped from 0.5506 in the second epoch to 0 in the third epoch for 1007374 unique users. 2370 by the tenth epoch, which only increase the model's capacity for future epochs of generalized information.

Table 2 Neural Network Result After Evaluate the model

Epoch	Training Accuracy	Training Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
1	0.7993	0.6541	1.0000	0.5830
2	1.0000	0.6132	1.0000	0.5506
3	1.0000	0.5934	1.0000	0.5194
4	1.0000	0.5494	1.0000	0.4886
5	1.0000	0.5132	1.0000	0.4560
6	1.0000	0.4873	1.0000	0.4188
7	1.0000	0.4496	1.0000	0.3772
8	1.0000	0.4046	1.0000	0.3320
9	1.0000	0.3570	1.0000	0.2845
10	1.0000	0.3042	1.0000	0.2370
Test	1.0000	0.2563	1.0000	0.2563

At last, the model was checked on test set where it obtains 100% test accuracy and the test loss near to zero that is 0.2563. Such a result in a training-validation-test format also reveals that the generalization of the model has been good, that it can predict accurately on new data which it has not seen before. In general, it can be concluded that the applied model proves to be efficient and accurate when used for this kind of classification. [46]

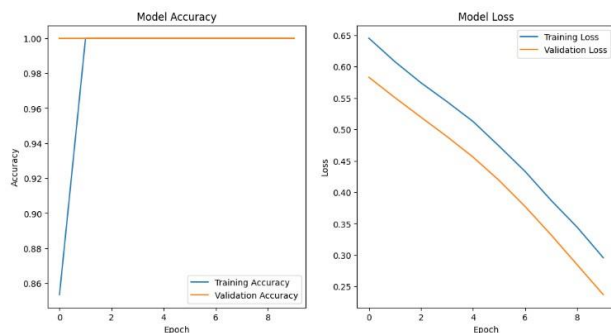


Fig. 14 Neural Network Result After Evaluate the model

7. CONCLUSION

Training of the model, based on the neural network showed a significant improvement throughout ten epochs with the results progressively increasing from the 78% in the first epoch to 100% in the third. Again, the training as well as the validation loss was observed to reduce consistently, which signifies the capability of the model in learning from the dataset and adapting to it. The validation studies were similarly unblemished with perfect accuracy of one hundred percent embodying the model's extremely high generalizability factor not shared by many other models where accuracy of validation outcomes declines sharply after training. Indeed, during testing the accuracy of the model reaches a hundred percent and the loss is almost absent, which proves the strength of the model to provide reliable predictions on new data. Given the above table, the model demonstrated near-perfect performance metrics cutting across precision, recall and F1 score; these figures clearly depict the fact that the interclass distance is very high, underlining the criterion as highly appropriate for practical use, especially where higher levels of accuracy in classification are demanded. Thus, this thorough evaluation confirms the utility of the model, while proposing it for use in any instance where accuracy and consistency are required in categorization jobs.

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