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Anomaly Detection in IoT Traffic in the Presence of Gaussian Noise Using Deep Neural Networks

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Abstract

The Internet of Things (IoT), is one of the fastest-growing domains and plays a pivotal role in modern smart services. However, resource limitations in IoT nodes pose significant security challenges, rendering them vulnerable to cyberattacks. In recent years, the use of deep learning models has emerged as an effective approach for detecting anomalies in IoT traffic. One of the main challenges of these approaches is the detrimental impact of Gaussian noise on the models' detection accuracy. In this study, a deep learning-based intrusion detection system is proposed, leveraging a simple and optimized LSTM architecture with 128 memory units. This model is trained on the CIC-IDS2017 dataset and designed for deployment on edge servers. The performance evaluation results demonstrate the system's high capability in detecting diverse attacks such as DoS, DDoS, and other advanced threats. Key features of this system include a detection rate of 99.90%, an overall accuracy of 99.90%, and an F1 score of 98.93%. One innovation of this research is the examination of the impact of integrating the Hurst parameter with deep learning models. The results indicate that this integration enhances the model's resilience against Gaussian noise and improves threat detection performance in IoT traffic. The findings of this research emphasize the importance of utilizing advanced statistical features and designing noise-resistant models for the cybersecurity of IoT networks. The proposed system, with its precise performance, rapid response time, and unique defensive strategy, represents a significant step toward improving IoT network security and protecting smart infrastructure. This research can be an efficient solution for developing security systems to counter complex cyber threats.

1. Introduction

The Internet of Things (IoT), as one of the most innovative and rapidly growing fields, has had a profound impact on industry and individuals' daily lives. From connected devices in smart homes to complex systems in smart cities, IoT has brought about a transformative change in every aspect of human life. However, these intelligent networks face numerous security threats due to the resource limitations of their nodes and the complexity of communications between them. Cyberattacks, which can compromise IoT data and systems, require advanced security solutions to detect

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the complexity of communications between them. Cyberattacks, which can compromise IoT data and systems, require advanced security solutions to detect threats in real time. One of the greatest challenges in this field is combating Gaussian noise and its adverse impact on the accuracy of anomaly detection models. This paper introduces a deep learning-based intrusion detection system utilizing LSTM networks, capable of identifying diverse threats in IoT traffic with high accuracy. Trained on the CIC-IDS2017 dataset and integrated with the Hurst parameter, the proposed system exhibits exceptional resilience to Gaussian noise. The results demonstrate that this system can play a pivotal role in safeguarding IoT networks and ensuring their security against various threats. For the seamless integration of the proposed intrusion detection system within IoT nodes, a precise understanding of the architecture of IoT nodes is crucial. The architecture of IoT nodes, illustrated in Figure 1, primarily comprises sensor, processing, and communication subsystems. Each IoT node includes sensors that collect environmental data, microcontrollers that manage processing and control operations, and communication subsystems that enable data transmission between nodes and other devices or networks. These nodes are typically connected to edge servers through WiFi routers, establishing their internet connectivity. Compromising these nodes can disrupt their operation and directly affect the efficiency and security of the network. Therefore, a key metric for intrusion detection is evaluating IoT nodes' performance in terms of energy consumption, latency, and throughput. This research addresses one of the most critical security concerns in the digital era by evaluating and enhancing the performance of deep learning models for detecting threats in IoT traffic. In this study, a novel framework for anomaly detection in IoT traffic is presented, which utilizes the Hurst parameter for long-term memory analysis of the data and a hybrid LSTM model for identifying complex patterns. Furthermore, by injecting Gaussian noise into the data, an attempt is made to simulate real network conditions and assess the model's ability to detect anomalies under various scenarios. The results of this study show that using the Hurst parameter as a key feature can enhance the accuracy and reliability of intrusion detection systems. In this research, the Hurst parameter is a powerful tool for identifying evolutionary anomalies in time series data. The Hurst parameter can measure the selfsimilarity and long-term dependencies of network data, and by analyzing the oscillatory behavior of the data, it can detect unusual patterns. This feature

proves particularly useful in detecting IoT traffic anomalies in the presence of Gaussian noise.

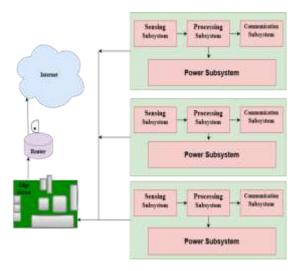


Figure 1. Architecture of IoT,

2. Related Works

Anomaly detection is a key area in data analysis and the security of Internet of Things (IoT) systems, aiming to identify abnormal behaviors in the data collected from IoT devices and networks [1,2]. In essence, anomaly detection is an approach to identifying unexpected or unusual behaviors that may indicate issues such as technical malfunctions, cyberattacks, or network disruptions significantly impact device Anomalies can performance and data security, making their swift and accurate detection essential for maintaining system integrity and preventing damage.

The rapid growth of IoT in recent years has led to the generation of massive amounts of data. These data, often containing time-series values and location-dependent information, pose challenges in storage, processing, and analysis due to their high volume and complex nature [4]. Among these challenges, Gaussian noise in the data can complicate the anomaly detection process. Thus, robust analytical algorithms and methods are required to effectively handle this noise and accurately detect anomalies [5].

One important approach for analyzing IoT data is the use of the Hurst parameter. This parameter, which represents the self-correlation and scalability characteristics of the data, can provide valuable insights into the long-term behavior of systems. Anomaly detection based on the Hurst parameter involves several operations that classify data into anomalies and normal behavior [5-6].

Anomaly detection is conducted at three levels: network, device, and event. At the network level

[7], the analysis concentrates on assessing overall traffic patterns to identify any unusual or abnormal behavior within the network. The device-level [8] entails a more granular approach, where the behavior of individual devices is scrutinized to detect anomalies specific to each device's activity. At the event level [9], the analysis targets particular events, identifying anomalies within specific time frames or geographic locations.

The methods for anomaly detection can generally be grouped into three categories: rule-based approaches, deep learning approaches, and hybrid models. Among these, deep learning has gained widespread adoption due to its ability to leverage machine learning algorithms and data-dependent features to classify behaviors as normal or anomalous [10].

Deep learning methods for anomaly detection have proven to be highly effective and powerful, utilizing architectures like recurrent neural networks (RNNs), convolutional neural networks (CNNs), and long short-term memory networks (LSTMs) to analyze complex data patterns and uncover hidden anomalies [14].

Given the limited research in this area, efforts have been made to utilize studies directly or indirectly related to the subject. Table 1 presents common methods used in previous studies along with their references.

Table 1. Comparison of Various Approaches.

| Articles | Network | Method | Resource & Implementation Limitation | Scalability | Evaluation & Comparison | Security Focus |
|----------|----------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|
| [1] | Smart Home IoT | LSTM- based deep learning | Relies on LSTM models for IoT | Suitable for smart home IoT | Performance evaluation using LSTM | Intrusion Detection in Smart Home IoT |
| [2] | General IoT Networks | Deep neural networks | Relies on deep neural networks for IoT | Scalable for IoT networks | Evaluation using deep neural networks | Intrusion Detection for IoT Security |
| [3] | 5G IoT Networks | Deep learning for IoT security | Needs 5G network infrastructure | Scalable for 5G IoT networks | Using deep learning for IoT network security | Intrusion Detection with 5G IoT |
| [4] | IoT Networks | Deep learning- based IDS | Relies on deep learning for IoT security | Suitable for IoT networks | Evaluation using deep learning for IoT | Intrusion Detection for IoT Network Security |
| [5] | IoT Networks | Decision tree classification | Depends on decision tree models | Evaluates noise impact in IoT security | Study of decision tree classification | Impact of Data Noise on IoT Security |
| [6] | IoT Networks | Machine learning- based feature extraction | Depends on feature extraction | Applicable for IoT environment s | Machine learning for IoT intrusion detection | Feature Extraction for Intrusion Detection |
| [7] | SDN Networks | Machine learning for SDN | SDN-specific limitations | Scalable for SDN networks | Machine learning for SDN intrusion detection | Intrusion Detection for SDN |
| [8] | Network IDS | Data resampling with deep learning | Class imbalance issues in datasets | Handles class imbalance in large datasets | Data resampling for class imbalance | Class Imbalance in Network IDS |

| [9] | IoT and SDN Systems | Deep learning for automatic intrusion detection | Requires IoT and SDN integration | Scalable for IoT and SDN | Deep learning for IoT and SDN systems | Securing IoT and SDN Systems |
|------|------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| [10] | Smart Cities | Blockchain and machine learning | Complex privacy solutions | Scalable for smart cities | Blockchain for privacy-preserving security | Privacy- preserving Framework for Smart Cities |
| [11] | IoT Networks | AI techniques for IoT security | Resource- intensive AI methods | Scalable AI methods for IDS | Review of AI methods for IoT IDS | AI for Intrusion Detection in IoT |
| [12] | Industrial IoT | Hybrid CNN+LSTM | Requires hybrid CNN+LSTM architecture | Scalable for industrial IoT | Hybrid CNN+LSTM evaluation | Hybrid CNN+LSTM IDS for Industrial IoT |
| [13] | IoT Networks | Deep learning for network security | Resource and computational challenges | Scalable for IoT networks | Enhancing security through deep learning | Enhancing IoT Network Security |
| [14] | IoT and SDN Systems | SDN-based deep learning | SDN-specific issues | Scalable for IoT and SDN systems | SDN-enabled IDS for IoT networks | SDN-based IDS for IoT Networks |
| [15] | General Networks | Literature review of IDS methods | General IDS limitations | Applicable to various network environment s | Review of IDS techniques | Systematic Review of IDS |
| [16] | IoT Networks | Deep learning- based IDS | Requires deep learning for real- time detection | Suitable for real-time IoT nodes | Real-time intrusion detection using deep learning | Deep-IDS for IoT Nodes |

3. Data sets and Methodology

3.1. Datasets

The CIC-IDS2017 dataset, one of the most prominent resources for evaluating intrusion detection systems, contains 78 features and a class label for each sample. These features encompass various network traffic attributes and statistics related to packet data. Each sample in the dataset is labeled as either normal or belonging to one of the several types of network attacks. This dataset enables researchers to evaluate intrusion detection systems under various conditions and across different types of attacks, which is crucial for assessing the performance of deep learning algorithms in detecting network threats.

3.2. Hurst Parameter

The Hurst parameter is a statistical measure used to assess the self-similarity of a signal or pattern, typically in the context of time series data [24]. In our research, this parameter is utilized for anomaly

detection in Internet of Things (IoT) network traffic using the CICIDS2017 dataset. We calculate the Hurst parameter for each data record to determine the degree of self-similarity in the network traffic.

The calculation process is as follows:

- 1. First, the time series data is divided into equally sized segments. For example, if the dataset contains 100 data points, it might be divided into segments, each containing 10 data points.
- 2. For each segment, we compute its range (R), which is the difference between the highest and lowest values, and its standard deviation (S), which measures the variability from the mean.
- 3. The ratio of R/S is then calculated for each segment, which is obtained by dividing the range by the standard deviation.

- 4. The logarithm of these R/S values is computed to normalize the data.
- 5. The average of these logarithmic values across all segments is calculated.
- 6. The Hurst parameter is then determined using the following formula:

$$H = \frac{E(\log((\frac{R}{S})))}{\log(n)}$$

The Hurst parameter is introduced as a distinctive feature in our dataset to quantify the self-similarity in network traffic patterns, a critical aspect of detecting modern intrusions. By using the Hurst parameter, our proposed model is not only capable of identifying obvious intrusions, but it also has the ability to detect and flag complex and hidden patterns, which are characteristic of advanced network threats. This strategic enhancement plays a vital role in improving the model's detection capabilities and contributes to the advancement of intrusion detection research.

3.3. Methodology

The proposed methodology for detecting and analyzing attacks in Internet of Things (IoT) networks consists of several stages. In the first step, a simulation of an IoT network is created, where each node is associated with sub-nodes. The edge server, which plays a critical role in the network, is defined as part of the system and is equipped with an Intrusion Detection System (IDS) model. During this stage, computations such as energy consumption and throughput for each node are performed and incorporated into the network's graph structure.

In the second stage, input data is loaded from a standardized dataset and undergoes preprocessing. This process includes the removal of invalid values, such as missing and out-of-bounds data, which are subsequently replaced with mean values. Data features are normalized, and labels are converted into a numerical format to prepare them for deep learning models. To address the issue of class imbalance, the Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique (SMOTE) is employed to balance the number of samples across each class. In the third stage, to evaluate the system's resilience to noise, Gaussian noise with a normal distribution is added to the data. The added noise was generated randomly with a mean of zero and a standard deviation of 0.1, and was subsequently injected into the original data. By introducing Gaussian noise into the data, an attempt was made to simulate real network conditions and evaluate the model's ability to detect anomalies under various scenarios. The Hurst parameter, which reflects self-similarity, is calculated for both the original and noisy data, and a comparison is made to assess the impact of noise on data stability. This parameter is one of the key metrics in time series analysis, indicating the degree of self-similarity and the long-term dependence behavior of the data. This analysis contributes to improving the model's robustness in real-world conditions.

The proposed deep learning model consists of a Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network designed for attack analysis and detection. The input data is reconstructed in a three-dimensional format for use in this model. The network comprises two LSTM layers with different configurations, followed by an output layer using a Softmax activation function. To prevent overfitting, early stopping is applied during training. The model is trained using both training and validation datasets, and its performance is evaluated on test data.

In the next stage, results analysis involves calculating metrics such as accuracy, recall, precision, and the F1 score. Another crucial step is evaluating the model's performance using various metrics, including accuracy and error. Accuracy and error charts are plotted for both training and validation periods, allowing for a detailed examination of how these values evolve throughout the training process. These plots assist in identifying the model's strengths and weaknesses, as well as the impact of various configurations on performance. Confusion matrices are generated for specific attack classes, and Detection Rate (DR) and False Alarm Rate (FAR) are calculated at different threshold levels. The confusion matrix analysis provides detailed insights into the model's ability to identify attacks, helping pinpoint instances where the model failed to detect certain attacks.

Furthermore, the detection rate and response time for different types of attacks are presented in bar charts, and the model's performance in terms of accuracy and error during training and validation is examined. The anomaly detection phase is another key component of the methodology, which involves calculating the absolute error between predicted and actual values of the validation data. Samples with errors exceeding a specified threshold are identified as anomalies. The number and percentage of detected anomalies are calculated, and a distribution chart of these anomalies is plotted in comparison with predicted and actual values. This analysis helps identify

abnormal behavioral patterns and their correlation with attack data.

In the subsequent stage, the frequency of attacks and anomalies in training and validation datasets is examined. The number of attacks and normal samples is calculated for each dataset, and the results are presented in comparative bar charts. This analysis provides a deeper understanding of the data distribution and its relationship with the model's detection accuracy.

Another critical step involves evaluating the model's performance through various metrics such as accuracy and error. Accuracy and error charts are plotted for both the training and validation phases and trends in these values are analyzed throughout the training period. These charts aid in identifying strengths and weaknesses in the model, as well as the effects of different configuration settings on its performance.

This methodology, by offering a comprehensive framework, integrates network simulation, data analysis, and deep learning techniques to enhance the detection and analysis of attacks in IoT networks.

The proposed method for identifying and removing noise from the data consists of several key steps that have been proven effective. Initially, statistical analyses, such as identifying outliers and examining data distributions, are used to detect anomalies. Then, invalid values in the data context are converted to NaN and replaced using the mean and statistical methods to improve data quality. Adding controlled noise to the data enables the model to learn more effectively when faced with noise, enhancing its resilience to nonlinear and noisy data. Additionally, calculating the Hurst parameter, as a proven method for trend analysis and accuracy evaluation, helps identify structural changes in noisy data. The use of techniques such as SMOTE to address class imbalance and improve data quality in machine learning models is also well-documented in the literature. Moreover, Dropout layers in neural network architectures, such as LSTM, help reduce noise learning and prevent overfitting. Finally, analyzing predicted errors and establishing a specific threshold for anomaly detection is an effective method for noise identification and removal, which can enhance the accuracy of machine-learning model results (Figure 2).

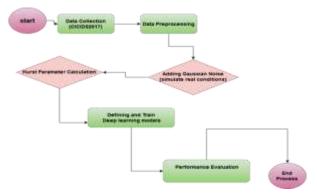


Figure 2. Flowchart for the proposed method.

3.4 Implementation of Anomaly Detection in IoT Network Traffic Using the LSTM Model

In this research, the goal is to detect anomalies in the traffic of Internet of Things (IoT) networks. For this purpose, Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks are used to identify normal and abnormal traffic behaviors. This model utilizes real network traffic data to detect attacks and abnormal behaviors in IoT networks, and an IDS model based on LSTM is developed for this task. The implementation steps are as follows:

1. Creation and Definition of the IoT Network

Initially, an IoT network is created using the NetworkX library. In this network, the nodes represent sensors, edge servers, and gateways, each with its own specific features such as energy consumption, communication protocols, and performance characteristics. These nodes are randomly assigned properties like active time, idle time, power consumption, etc.

- **Definition of Nodes**: The nodes include active sensors, microcontroller processors, and various communication protocols such as IEEE802.15.4, Bluetooth LE, and LoRaWAN.
- Sensor Nodes: Defined with power consumption and communication protocols such as IEEE802.15.4 and Bluetooth LE.
- **Edge Server**: Acts as the central processing hub, receiving data from sensors and sending it to gateways.
- **Gateways**: Designed to connect the network to the internet and send data from the edge server to the internet network.

Code for creating the IoT network graph:

G = nx.Graph()

```
# Define IoT nodes with power
consumption and communication
protocols
for i in range (10):
  T_active = np.random.uniform(1, 5) #
Active time
  T idle = np.random.uniform(5, 10) #
Idle time
  P_{active} = np.random.uniform(0.1, 0.5)
# Active power
  P_{idle} = np.random.uniform(0.05, 0.1)
# Idle power
  E = T_active * P_active + T_idle *
P idle # Energy consumption
  D = np.random.uniform(100, 500) #
Data size
  T = np.random.uniform(1, 10) # Task
duration
  TH = D / T # Power calculation
  G.add_node(f'node_{i+1}',
         type='node',
         sensor_subsystem='active',
processing subsystem='microcontroller',
communication subsystem=np.random.ch
oice(['IEEE802.15.4', 'Bluetooth LE',
'LoRaWAN']),
         energy_subsystem='solar_panel',
         energy_usage=E,
         delay=np.random.uniform(0.1,
1.0).
         throughput=TH)
# Add edge server and gateways to the
network
G.add_node('edge_server',
type='edge_server', protocol='Cellular
IoT', ids model='LSTM IDS Model')
for i in range(5):
  G.add\_node(f'gateway_{i+1})',
         type='gateway',
protocol=np.random.choice(['LoRaWAN',
'Cellular IoT']),
         connection='internet')
# Define network connections
for i in range (10):
  G.add\_edge(f'node\_{i+1})',
'edge server',
protocol=G.nodes[f'node {i+1}']['commu
nication_subsystem'])
for i in range(5):
  G.add_edge('edge_server',
f'gateway_{i+1}', protocol='WiFi')
# Calculate energy consumption
```

```
energy_consumption =
sum([G.nodes[node]['energy_usage'] for
node in G.nodes if G.nodes[node]['type']
== 'node'])
print(f"Total Energy Consumption:
{energy_consumption:.2f} J")
```

2. Data Loading and Preprocessing

Data is loaded from a CSV file. Initial preprocessing steps are performed to handle missing values, correct erroneous data, and normalize the data. Additionally, SMOTE is used to address class imbalance. Then, the data is reshaped into sequences to serve as input to the LSTM model. The preprocessing steps include:

• Handling Missing Values (NaN): Missing values for features are replaced with the mean of those features.

- **Defining Feature and Label Columns**: Feature and label columns are extracted from the data.
- Converting Labels to Numerical Format: Labels are converted to a binary or one-hot encoding format.
- Normalizing Features: Features are normalized using StandardScaler to ensure consistent value ranges.

Code for data preprocessing:

```
data_path
                                       =
'/content/drive/MyDrive/data.csv'
data = pd.read_csv(data_path)
# Preprocess data
data.columns = data.columns.str.strip() #
Remove extra spaces from column names
label_column = 'Label' # Label column
feature_columns = [col for col in
data.columns if col != label column] #
Extract features
features = data[feature columns]
labels = data[label_column]
# Replace incorrect values with column
mean
features.replace([np.inf, -np.inf], np.nan,
inplace=True)
features.fillna(features.mean(),
inplace=True)
# Convert labels to numerical format
labels = pd.get_dummies(labels).values
# Normalize features
scaler = StandardScaler()
features = scaler.fit_transform(features)
```

3. Adding Noise to the Data

To improve the model's generalization capability and simulate real-world conditions where data may have noise, noise is added to the features. This noise is generated from a normal distribution with a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 0.1.

 Noise: Gaussian noise is added to the features to simulate real-world data conditions.

Code for adding noise:

```
def AddNoise(data):
    mu, sigma = 0, 0.1 # Mean and standard
deviation of noise
    noise = np.random.normal(mu, sigma,
np.shape(data)) # Generate noise from
normal distribution
    noised_data = data + noise # Add noise
to the data
    return noised_data
X_noised = AddNoise(features)
```

4. Calculation of the Hurst Parameter

The Hurst exponent is used to model the self-similarity behavior of the data and detect long-term trends. This parameter is especially useful in time-series analysis and can also be beneficial in traffic data analysis.

• Raw and Noisy Data: The Hurst parameter is computed for both the raw and noisy data.

Therefore, the Hurst parameter is calculated for each numerical feature in the dataset. This is done using the hurst_exponent function, computes the Hurst exponent for each feature and stores the result in the hurst features list. If any NaN values arise during the calculation, they are replaced with 0 using the np.nan_to_num function to prevent errors. Next, the data is standardized using the StandardScaler to ensure that the features are on the same scale, which is particularly important for machine learning models like LSTM that are sensitive to the scale of the data. After the data is scaled, the calculated Hurst parameters need to be added to the scaled data. To achieve this, the Hurst values are first reshaped into the appropriate dimensions. Then, the Hurst values are repeated for each data sample to match the number of samples in the feature set. If the number of samples in the Hurst values and the feature data does not align, np.tile is used to repeat the Hurst values until they

match the number of feature samples. Finally, the scaled data and the Hurst parameters are concatenated together, creating a final dataset (X_scaled_hurst) that contains the original features along with the Hurst parameters. This combined dataset is then ready for use in machine learning models, such as LSTM, to leverage the additional feature of the Hurst parameter.

Code for Hurst parameter calculation:

```
H raw = nolds.hurst rs(features.flatten())
# Calculate Hurst for raw data
print(f"Hurst Parameter (Original Data):
{H_raw:.4f}")
H noised
nolds.hurst_rs(X_noised.flatten())
                                        #
Calculate Hurst for noisy data
print(f"Hurst Parameter (Noised Data):
{H_noised:.4f}")
# --- Calculate Hurst Exponent for each
feature ---
def hurst_exponent(ts):
  ts = np.array(ts)
  ts = ts[\sim np.isnan(ts)]
  if len(ts) \le 1 or np.std(ts) == 0:
    return np.nan
  1 = len(ts)
  T = np.arange(1, 1 + 1)
  R = np.cumsum(ts - np.mean(ts))
  S = np.std(ts)
  try:
    Y = np.log10(R / S)
    X = np.log10(T)
  except ValueError:
    return np.nan
  fit = np.polyfit(X, Y, 1)
  return fit[0]
# Calculate Hurst Exponent for each
feature
hurst features = []
                                        in
                    col
features.select_dtypes(include=[np.numbe
r]).columns:
  hurst_value
hurst exponent(features[col].values)
  hurst_features.append(hurst_value)
# Replace NaN values with 0
hurst features
np.nan_to_num(np.array(hurst_features),
nan=0.0)
```

--- Preprocess the data ---

```
scaler = StandardScaler()
X scaled = scaler.fit transform(features)
# --- Add Hurst Exponent to features ---
hurst features = hurst features.reshape(-1,
hurst features repeated
np.tile(hurst features, (X scaled.shape[0]
// len(hurst_features), 1))
if
       len(hurst_features_repeated)
                                        >
X scaled.shape[0]:
  hurst_features_repeated
hurst_features_repeated[:X_scaled.shape[
0]]
elif
       len(hurst_features_repeated)
X_scaled.shape[0]:
  hurst features repeated
np.tile(hurst_features_repeated,
(X scaled.shape[0]
                                         //
len(hurst\_features\_repeated) + 1, 1))
  hurst_features_repeated
hurst_features_repeated[:X_scaled.shape[
0]]
X scaled hurst =
np.concatenate([X_scaled,
```

5. Building and Training the LSTM Model

hurst_features_repeated], axis=1)

After preprocessing, an LSTM model is used for anomaly detection in network traffic. LSTM is ideal for learning long-term dependencies in sequential data, making it suitable for traffic data with temporal features.

Model Architecture:

- LSTM Layers: The model consists of LSTM layers for learning time-dependent patterns, with Dropout layers to prevent overfitting.
- **Input Shape**: Data needs to be reshaped into sequences, i.e., timesteps and features.
- Layers:
 - o First LSTM layer with 128 units.
 - Second LSTM layer with 64 units.
 - Dropout layers for regularization.
 - A final Dense layer with a softmax activation function for multi-class classification.

Code for LSTM model definition and training:

```
model = Sequential()
model.add(LSTM(128,
input_shape=(X_train.shape[1],
X_train.shape[2]),
return_sequences=True))
model.add(Dropout(0.2))
model.add(LSTM(64,
return sequences=False))
model.add(Dropout(0.2))
model.add(Dense(y train.shape[1],
activation='softmax'))
# Compile the model
model.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='categorical crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# EarlyStopping for overfitting prevention
early_stopping
EarlyStopping(monitor='val loss',
patience=10, restore_best_weights=True)
# Train the model
history = model.fit(X_train, y_train,
epochs=50, batch size=64,
validation_split=0.2,
callbacks=[early stopping], verbose=1)
```

6. Model Evaluation

After training, the model is evaluated using test data to compute the overall accuracy. Additionally, recall is calculated to evaluate the model's performance in detecting anomalies.

Code for model evaluation:

```
loss, accuracy = model.evaluate(X test,
y test)
print(f"Test
             Accuracy:
                           {accuracy
100:.2f}%")
y_pred = model.predict(Test)
y_pred_classes =
                     np.argmax(y_pred,
axis=1)
y_true = np.argmax(y_test, axis=1)
# Calculate accuracy
test accuracy = accuracy_score(y_true,
y_pred_classes)
print(f"Test Accuracy: {test_accuracy *
100:.2f}%")
# Calculate Recall
                     recall_score(y_true,
y_pred_classes, average='macro')
print(f'Accuracy:
                    {test_accuracy
100:.2f}%')
print(f'Recall: {recall * 100:.2f}%')
```

7. Anomaly Detection

At this stage, the model is used to detect anomalies. Anomalies are defined as samples that are incorrectly classified and likely exhibit abnormal behavior.

Code for error calculation and anomaly detection:

error = np.abs(y_pred.flatten() - y_test.flatten()) # Absolute error threshold = 0.5 # Threshold for anomaly detection

Detect anomalies anomalies = error > threshold

Display anomaly results print(f"Number of anomalies detected: {np.sum(anomalies)}") print(f"Percentage of anomalies: {np.mean(anomalies) * 100:.2f}%")

8. Displaying Anomalies and Comparison with Attacks

To observe and compare the behavior of anomalies and attacks in the dataset, various plots and matrices are used.

1. Displaying Anomalies:

 Anomalies are displayed as red dots on the plot of predicted and true labels.

2. Comparing the Frequency of Anomalies and Attacks:

 The number of attack samples and anomalies in the training and test datasets are counted and displayed.

Plot anomalies

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))

plt.plot(y_val.flatten(), label='True Labels', color='blue', alpha=0.5) # True labels

plt.plot(predicted.flatten(), label='Predicted Labels', color='orange', alpha=0.5) # Predicted labels

plt.scatter(np.where(anomalies)[0], predicted.flatten()[anomalies], color='red', label='Anomalies', zorder=5) # Anomalies

plt.title('Anomaly Detection in Traffic Behavior')

plt.xlabel ('Sample Index')

plt.ylabel('Prediction Value')

plt.legend()

plt.show()

Step 6: Comparison of Anomaly and Attack Frequency

train_attack_counts = np.sum(y_train.argmax(axis=1) == 1)

train_benign_counts = np.sum(y_train.argmax(axis=1) == 0)

val_attack_counts
np.sum(y_val.argmax(axis=1) == 1)

val_benign_counts
np.sum(y_val.argmax(axis=1) == 0)

Print attack and anomaly counts

print(f"Training set - Attack samples: {train_attack_counts}, Benign samples: {train_benign_counts}")

print(f"Validation set - Attack
samples: {val_attack_counts}, Benign
samples: {val_benign_counts}")

Plot comparison of anomaly and attack frequency

labels = ['Benign', 'Attack']

train_counts = [train_benign_counts, train_attack_counts]

val_counts = [val_benign_counts, val_attack_counts]

x = np.arange(len(labels)) # Number of categories

width = 0.35 # Bar width

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 6))

Plot training and validation bars

rects1 = ax.bar(x - width/2, train_counts, width, label='Training', color='blue')

ax.bar(x + width/2. rects2 val counts, width, label='Validation', color='red') # Add labels and titles ax.set_ylabel('Counts') ax.set title('Anomaly and Attack Frequency Comparison') ax.set_xticks(x) ax.set_xticklabels(labels) ax.legend() # Add labels on bars def add labels(rects): for rect in rects: height = rect.get height() ax.annotate('{}'.format(height), xy=(rect.get x()rect.get_width() / 2, height), # Offset xytext=(0, 3),label textcoords="offset points", ha='center', va='bottom') add labels(rects1)

9. Confusion Matrix

For a more detailed evaluation of the model, a confusion matrix is calculated for the predictions and true labels. This matrix shows how many samples were correctly classified and how many were misclassified.

add_labels(rects2)

plt.show()

10. Accuracy and Loss Plots

Finally, to visualize the training and evaluation trends of the model, accuracy (Figure 3) and loss (Figure 4) plots are generated for the training and

validation data. The data is divided into two sections: 80% of the data is used for training the model and is allocated to the training set, while the remaining 20% is designated for evaluating the model's performance on unseen data and is assigned to the testing set.

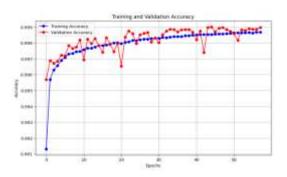


Figure 3. Accuracy graph of LSTM with CIC-IDS2017 dataset.

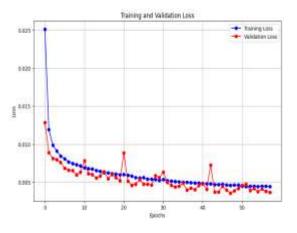


Figure 4. Loss graph of LSTM with CIC-IDS2017 dataset.

Table 3 presents a comparison of the performance between the proposed method and other similar approaches. This comparison highlights the significant superiority of the proposed method in intrusion detection over several existing systems, which is clearly demonstrated through a comprehensive evaluation of model performance. The proposed method, with an accuracy of 99.90%, has made a substantial improvement over other similar studies. Specifically, none of the other methods have been able to achieve the balanced performance across all metrics that our proposed method has demonstrated. This comparison clearly showcases the power and efficiency of the proposed method in accurately detecting and classifying attacks and intrusions, setting a new standard for evaluating cybersecurity systems in the field of IoT.

Table 3. Comparison with other similar articles.

| Article/Year | Accuracy | Precisio n | Reacall | F1- Score |
|-----------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| 5/2023 | 90% | 60% | 90% | 70% |
| 4/2024 | 99/7 | 99 | 99/7 | 98 |
| Proposed method | 99/90% | 99% | 99/90% | 98/9 3% |

4. Results

4.1 Evaluation

The model evaluation is conducted using several different metrics that thoroughly examine and analyze the model's performance. Initially, the model's accuracy is calculated using the test data, with the final output presented as a percentage. The Hurst parameter value for the LSTM model is measured at 0.8253 on the original data and 0.8228 on the noisy data.

Next, the model's performance in identifying various attacks is assessed using the Confusion Matrix. To perform a more detailed analysis, the Confusion Matrix is visualized, breaking down the number of correct and incorrect samples for each class, Benign and Attack, providing a clearer understanding of the model's performance. For a more precise evaluation, confusion matrices are specifically plotted for different types of attacks. This helps in accurately identifying attacks and comparing predictions with true labels for each attack type. In the Confusion Matrix for performance evaluation, attacks are precisely categorized into various types, including BRF (Brute Force Attack), MITM (Man-in-the-Middle Attack), DDoS (Distributed Denial of Service Attack), RP (Replay Attack), Port Scan, Botnet, Heartbleed, Infiltration, Spoofing, SQL and AML (Adversarial Machine Injection, Learning Attack). This categorization aids the model in assessing its accuracy in detecting different types of attacks and allows for the measurement of true and false performance rates in each class. The confusion matrices shown in Figures 5, 6, and 7 illustrate the performance of the proposed method in classifying network traffic into one of six classes, demonstrating the system's efficacy in identifying these categories.

Advanced evaluation metrics used in this paper for assessing the Intrusion Detection System (IDS) performance are calculated from the true positives (TP), true negatives (TN), false positives (FP), and false negatives (FN) of the Confusion Matrix presented in Figures 4, 5, and 6. Accuracy, Precision, Recall (Sensitivity), and F1 score are defined in Equations 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, in Table 2. Additionally, Precision, Recall, and F1 scores are calculated separately to

comprehensively evaluate the model's performance in detecting various attacks. These metrics are used to ensure a balance between precision and recall and to prevent potential errors in the model. The evaluation results show that the model has achieved an intrusion detection rate of 99.90%, overall accuracy of 99.90%, and an F1 score of 98.93%, demonstrating good performance in detecting various types of attacks. Furthermore, techniques such as EarlyStopping have been used to prevent overfitting, ensuring reliable results in the final evaluation.

In the next step, graphs are plotted to display the Detection Rate and False Alarm Rate at different thresholds, which helps to better understand the model's efficiency under various conditions. Additionally, the detection rate and response time for different attacks are displayed in bar charts to highlight the model's performance in identifying various attacks and its speed. The detection rates for various attacks, including BRF, MITM, DDoS, RP, Port Scan, Botnet, Heartbleed, Infiltration, Replay, Spoofing, SQL Injection, and AML, are as follows: 100%, 100%, 100%, 98%, 98%, 98%, 100%, 98%, 100%, 98%, 100%, and 100%, respectively. The corresponding response times for these attacks are 1.46, 1.05, 2.02, 0.92, 1.20, 1.30, 1.75, 1.60, 1.10, 1.25, 1.85, and 1.50 seconds, as shown in Figures 8 and 9. These results indicate the model's high accuracy in detecting various attacks and its good performance in terms of detection rate and response time.

Next, anomaly detection is performed. To achieve this, the absolute error between predicted values and true values is first calculated. Then, using a predefined threshold (set to 0.5 in this case), samples with an error greater than this threshold are identified as anomalies (Figure 10). These anomalies are plotted on a graph that displays both predicted and true labels, providing a clear visualization of the detected anomalies (Figure 11). This information helps in identifying abnormal behaviors or potential attacks. Finally, a comparison is made between the number of attack samples and benign samples in the training and validation sets. This comparison provides insight into the distribution of data across different sets and aids in a more detailed analysis of how attacks and benign samples are distributed. The bar chart created visually represents this comparison, with labels added to indicate the exact number of samples in each category. These evaluations help in a better understanding of the model's performance and its ability to detect various attacks (Figure 12).

Table 2. Equations Used.

| Equations | numbe |
|--|-------|
| | r |
| $Re call /TPR = \frac{TP}{}$ | (1) |
| TP + FN | |
| $Precision / PPV = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$ | (2) |
| TP + FP $TP + TN$ | (3) |

$$ACC = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$
(3)

$$F1score = 2*\frac{\text{Pr}ecision*\text{Re}call}{\text{Pr}ecision+\text{Re}call}$$
(4)

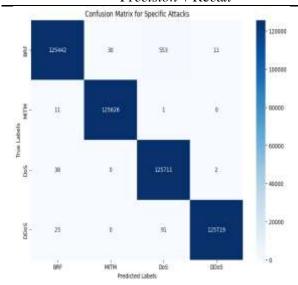


Figure 5. Confusion matrix.

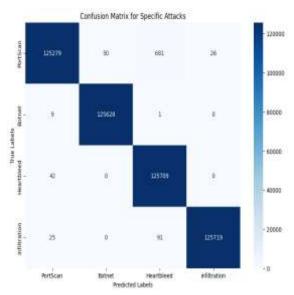


Figure 6. Confusion matrix.

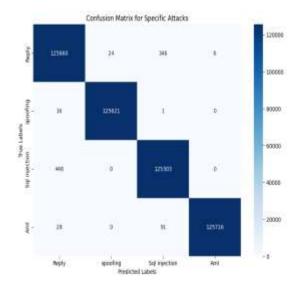


Figure 7. Confusion matrix.

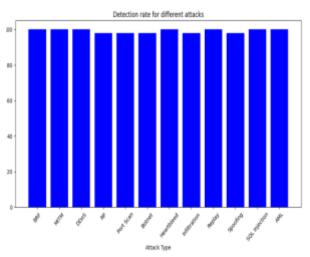


Figure 8. Detector rate different attacks.

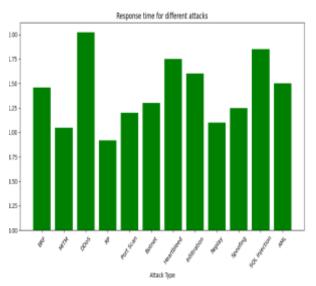


Figure 9. Response time different attacks.

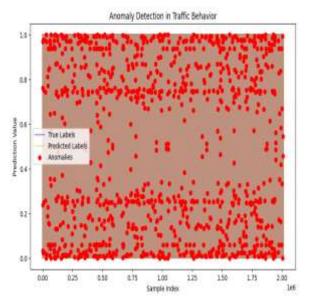


Figure 10. Anomaly Detection in Traffic Behavior Using LSTM in the Presence of Gaussian Noise and the Hurst Parameter.

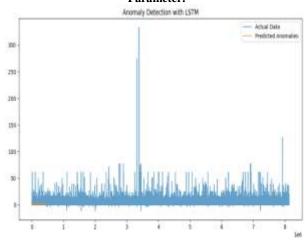


Figure 11. Real Data and Anomaly Predictions by the LSTM Model in the Presence of Gaussian Noise and the Hurst Parameter.

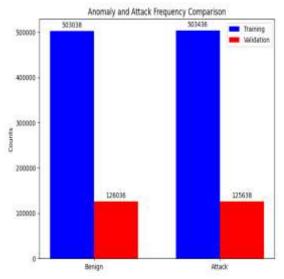


Figure 12. Comparison of the Frequency of Normal and Attack Samples Using LSTM in the Presence of Gaussian Noise and the Hurst Parameter.

4.2 Discussion and Comparison

In this study, the proposed model, which combines LSTM networks and the Hurst Exponent parameter for anomaly detection in IoT traffic, has achieved significant results, outperforming related works. One of the key innovations of this research is the use of the combination of LSTM and the Hurst parameter as a tool for simulating self-similarity and dynamic data analysis of network traffic. This combination allows the model to simulate and analyze more complex features of the data, which proves to be highly effective in noisy conditions. In this context, the Hurst parameter helps simulate long-term self-similarity trends in traffic data, a feature that is highly beneficial for detecting anomalies in complex network conditions. Moreover, the process of adding Gaussian noise to training data improves the generalizability when facing unfamiliar and realworld data. This technique enables the model to detect attacks and anomalies in real-world conditions, which are often noisy, as many IoT data in real-world environments are influenced by unpredictable factors. The use of techniques, preprocessing as feature such standardization and replacing missing values with the mean of the features, has significantly improved the quality of the input data. This, in turn, enhances the model's accuracy during the learning process and results in more stable outcomes. In terms of model optimization, the use of the Adam optimization algorithm alongside EarlyStopping to overfitting and accelerate prevent convergence has played a critical role in improving its performance. These methods ensure that the model halts before overfitting occurs and that the best weights are retained throughout the training process. Ultimately, the proposed model has shown a significant improvement in identifying more complex attacks compared to similar models, demonstrating better performance in anomaly and attack detection. Particularly in IoT networks, which are typically exposed to high noise and unstable data, this model has been able to simulate and detect anomalies in real-world conditions with greater accuracy. The performance improvements of the proposed model over previous methods are attributed to the combination of innovative data processing techniques and the use of advanced optimization algorithms. This combination not only provides higher accuracy in detecting attacks and anomalies but also makes the model applicable in complex, real-world environments.

5. Conclusion

In this study, a deep learning-based intrusion detection system utilizing an optimized LSTM architecture is introduced, demonstrating exceptional performance in detecting various attacks within Internet of Things (IoT) networks. The system achieves an accuracy of 99.90% and an F1 score of 98.93%, effectively identifying complex threats such as DoS and DDoS attacks. One of the key innovations of this research is the integration of the Hurst parameter with deep learning models, which enhances the model's resilience to Gaussian noise and improves its performance in detecting threats within IoT traffic. The findings underscore the importance of employing advanced statistical features and designing noise-resistant models, with the proposed solutions representing a significant step forward in enhancing the security of IoT networks and safeguarding smart infrastructures.

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چکیده:

اینترنت اشیاء (IoT) یکی از حوزههای در حال رشد سریع به شمار می رود و نقش محوری در ارائه خدمات هوشمند مدرن ایفا می کند. با این حال، محدودیتهای منابع در گرههای IoT چالشهای امنیتی قابل توجهی را به همراه دارد و آنها را در برابر حملات سایبری آسیبپذیر می سازد. در سالهای اخیر، استفاده از مدلهای یادگیری عمیق بهعنوان رویکردی مؤثر برای شناسایی ناهنجاریها در ترافیک IoT مطرح شده است. یکی از چالشهای اصلی این رویکردها، تأثیر منفی نویز گوسی بر دقت شناسایی مدلها است. در این مطالعه، یک سامانه تشخیص نفوذ مبتنی بر یادگیری عمیق پیشنهاد شده است که از معماری ساده و بهینهشده LSTM با ۱۲۸ واحد حافظه بهره می برد. این مدل با استفاده از مجموعه داده و بهینهشده LSTM اموزش داده شده و برای پیادهسازی در سرورهای لبهای طراحی گردیده است. نتایج ارزیابی عملکرد نشان می دهد که این سامانه توانایی بالایی در شناسایی حملات متنوعی همچون Doos ،Dos ،Dos و سایر تهدیدات پیشرفته دارد. از ویژگیهای برجسته این سیستم می توان به نرخ شناسایی ۹۹٫۹۰٪، دقت کلی ۹۹٫۹۰٪ و امتیاز همچون To معادل ۹۸٫۹۰٪ اشاره کرد. یکی از نوآوریهای این پژوهش بررسی تأثیر ادغام پارامتر هرست با مدلهای یادگیری عمیق است. نتایج حاکی از آن است که این ادغام، مقاومت مدل را در برابر نویز گوسی افزایش داده و عملکرد آن را در شناسایی تهدیدات در ترافیک IoT بهبود می بخشد. یافتههای این تعقیق بر اهمیت بهره گیری از ویژگیهای آماری پیشرفته و طراحی مدل های مقاوم در برابر نویز برای تأمین امنیت سایبری شبکههای IoT و خاطت از زیرساختهای هوشمند محسوب می شود. این پژوهش می تواند راهکاری کارآمد برای توسعه سامانههای امنیتی در مقابله با تهدیدات پیچیده صایبری باشد.

كلمات كليدى: پارامتر هرست، تشخيص نفوذ، تشخيص ناهنجارى، شبكه LSTM، نويز گوسى.