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Detection and Prevention of DDoS Attack using Ensemble Model

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Abstract: *In the current cyber world, one of the most severe cyber threats are distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks, which make websites and other online resources unavailable to legiti- mate clients. It's a cyberattack aimed at overwhelming a server with malicious traffic, causing a website to shut down temporarily or permanently. It's typically executed using malware- infected devices called bots, and their cluster is referred to as a botnet. These bots include lap- tops, smartphones, smart TVs, wearable devices, thermometers, security cameras, in-vehicle infotainment systems, etc. So, what industries do DDoS attackers target? They commonly target the gaming, software and technology, media and entertainment, finance, and internet and telecom industries. It is different from other cyber threats that breach security parameters; how- ever, DDoS is a short-term attack that brings down the server temporarily. So we came up with a solution to decrease the impact of DDoS attack and thus proposed a model which can predict whether input given is a attack file or normal file based on the dataset (CICDDOS2019) it is trained on.To mitigate the impact of DDoS attacks, we propose a model that predicts whether an input file is an attack file or a normal file based on the CICDDOS2019 dataset it is trained on. We have developed an ensemble of machine learning classifiers, including KNN-DT, KNN-RF and DT-RF, to enhance the accuracy and robustness of the prediction model. By accurately identifying attack files, organizations can take proactive measures to protect their servers and mitigate the effects of DDoS attacks.*

Keywords: Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS), Deep Learning, CNN, KNN, Decision Tree, Random Forest etc.

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