

# Predicting Distributed Denial Of Service Attack With Mining Based Approach

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## Abstract

Wireless sensor network provides resources as per requirement of the user. WSN consists of sensors arranged in sequence for sending and receiving signals. WSN is hampered with the attacks such as distributed denial of service, WORM hole attack etc. This work present ensemble-based approach for detecting DDOS attack caused by malicious users. The impact of DDOS attack on the WSN along with need to tackle DDOS attack is discussed. For accomplishing the detection process, ensembles based voting classifiers is designed. Ensemble based algorithms used for demonstrating the DDOS attack includes Regression mechanism that could be linear or nonlinear in nature, Hyperplane dependent SVM that is also termed as multi support vector machine, random forest that is basically used to select branched that have optimal probability of being attackers., naïve bayes and K-nearest neighbour approach for forming cluster of nearest attribute nodes. The classification accuracy of combined classifier is better as demonstrated within the result section.

Keywords: WSN, ensemble of algorithms, voting classifiers, classification accuracy

## 1. Introduction

Wireless sensor network(WSN) indicates the networks of spatially distributed sensors. These sensors are generally dedicated and meant to provide specific service only. Performance of WSN depends upon many distinct factors including environmental conditions(Humidity, pollution, sound etc)(Muhammad, Hussain and Yousaf, 2015).. As the authenticated users becomes part of WSN so does unauthorized users. Thus, performance of the WSN also impacted by unauthorized access. Unauthorized users may cause multiple attacks within the network and thereby hampering the performance of the system(Singh, Singh and Kumar, 2017). The most common type of attack includes distributed denial of service attack. This attack is caused through distinct mechanisms. Some of these mechanisms includes

## • Flooding

With flooding, thousands of packets are dispersed by the attackers over the network. This will cause other users to be in deadlock situations. This means they will not able access the resources and entire system will be in unstable state.

### • Protocol attacks

These type of attacks eats the communication channel along with server resources. Thus, server resources will always be in deadlocked state.

• Application layers

Application layer attacks generally caused through cookies, capturing slots and bad bots. This type of attack could generate multiple identity attacks(AAMIR and ZAIDI, 2013). Source may not able to check the correct destination for transmission pf packets. These type of attacks causes the distortion as well disturbance within the network. Extra energy loss could also be caused through this distributed denial of service attack. The next section presents the literature discussing the DDOS attack impacts on the networks along with the mitigation strategies. Section 3 gives the proposed methodology followed to accurately predict DDOS attack. Section 4 gives the performance analysis and result, section 6 gives the conclusion and future scope, last section gives the references.

#### 2. Literature Survey

The literature presents the tabular comparative analysis of techniques used for the detection of DDOS attack along with impact of attack on WSN.

References	Techniques	Impact	Issues
(Lara and	Network policy-	Once attack occurs	Energy
Ramamurthy,	based mechanism	OpenSec system	consumption of
2016)	for attack detection	will fail, and	sensor is not
		resources will be	considered.
		consumed as a	
		result	
(Ganapathy et al.,	Discussed tools and	Intrusion detection	Energy
2013)	techniques used for	in case of multiple	consumption and
	intelligent feature	identity attacks	packet drop ratio is
	selection and	could be detected.	not considered
	classification of		
	intrusion		
(Kumar and	Flooding attack	Only low-rate	Packet drop ratio is
Santhi Tilagam,	detection	attacks could be	high in this case.
2011)		detected but high	
		rated attacks may	
		cause traffic within	
		the network	
(Bukac and	Traffic pattern	Distributed attacks	Lifetime of the
Matyas, 2015)	analysis in case of	could hamper	network will be
	DOS standalone	performance of the	reduced but not
	attack	network and denial	considered in this
		of service requests	literature
(Behal, Kumar	D-Face based	Internet domain	Internet domain-
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Based Approach			

Table 1: Techniques for DDOS attack prediction along with impacts and issues

and Sachdeva, 2018)	technique for detecting the	will be impacted with this type of	based attack could reduce the packet	
2	impact of	attack	to base station and	
	Distributed denial		should be a part of	
	of service attacks		DDOS attack metric consideration	
(Meenakshi,	Deep learning-	LSTM based	Low classification	
Kumar and Behal,	based approach for	mechanism applied	accuracy of the	
2021)	DDOS attack	detect the impact of	detection process is	
	detection	resource wastage	an issue	
		within WSN		
(Nguyen et al.,	Gaussian model	This model	Low classification	
2021)	collaborated with	evaluates the	accuracy of the	
	deep learning for	impact on network	detection process.	
early detection of		resources and also		
denial-of-service		determine the		
attack or DDOS		percentage		
		resource		
		consumption		

## 3. Proposed Methodology

The methodology followed is based upon different classifiers including KNN, random forest, SVM, naïve bayes, logistic regression and ensemble based coting classifier. The ensemble-based approach produced better classification accuracy as compared to individual approaches. Fine tuning of classification accuracy also resulted in better learning rate and low error rates. Dataset for demonstration is fetched from Kaggle. The pseudo codes for the approaches is presented in this section.

## Table 2: Pseudo code corresponding to different classifiers

KNN					
K_N=FindNearestNeighbour(K=7)					
Fit_KNN_Model(Training_Data)					
Predictions = Kpredict(Test_Data)					
Outcome-Prediction					
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1,					
1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0,					
1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1,					
1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0,					
0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,					
1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1,					
0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],					
dtype=int64)					
Logistic Regression					
L_R=FindRegressioncofficienct()					
Fit_LR_Model(Training_Data)					
Predictions = LRpredict(Test_Data)					

array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
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0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0,
1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0
0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
dtype=int64)
SVM
Support_Vector=Findvetcors(kerner="linear") Fit_SVM_Model(Training_Data)
Predictions = SVMpredict(Test Data)
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0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
dtvne=int64)
Random Forest
R_F=RFClassifer ()
Fit_RF_Model(Training_Data)
Predictions = RFpredict(Test_Data)
$\frac{1}{1}$
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0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0].
dtyne=int64)
NB = Naïve Bayes NB()
NB fit(Train Data)
NB Predict=NB predict(test data)
0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
dtype=int64)
0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

Almost all the classifiers given the mix result where '1' indicates that attack has been detected and '0' means no attack is detected. The voting classifiers with fine tuning gives the result by accommodating good features of all the classifiers and present the result as per majority. This means that if 3 out of five classifiers give '1' as prediction and 2

classifiers yields '0' for the same data, then voting classifier will give '1' as prediction. The pseudocode for the same is given as under

# Table 3: Voting classifier demonstration

Voting Classifier
K_N=FindNearestNeighbour(K=7)
L_R=FindRegressioncofficienct()
Support_Vector=Findvetcors(kerner="linear")
R_F=RFClassifer ()
NB = Naïve_Bayes_NB()
V_C = Vote_Classifier(estimators=[('L_R', clf1), ('R_F', clf2), ('NB',
clf3),('Support_Vector',clf4),('K_N',clf5)], voting='soft', weights=[2,1,1,2,2])
V_C.fit(Train_Data)
VotingClassifier(estimators=[('lr', LogisticRegression()),
<pre>('rf', RandomForestClassifier()),</pre>
('nb', GaussianNB()),
('SVC', SVC(Kernel='linear', probability=Irue)), ('knp', KNoighbonsClassifien(n.poighbons-7))]
voting='soft', weights=[1, 1, 2, 2, 1])
V C Predict = VC predict(test data)
V C. Predict
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0,
0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0,
1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1,
0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1,
1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1,
0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
atype=int64)

# 4. Performance analysis and result

From the obtained result we conclude that only Support vector machine is generating abnormal result for the presented data. The proposed mechanism however is based on best possible result from all the algorithms. This means in case , 3 or more of the classifiers are generating '1' and last classifier is generating '0' then out voting classifier will generate '1' as overall result.

## Table 5: Performance Analysis and result in terms of different metrics

Curve_ROC=Obtain_Score(Test_Data)
Final_Result = pd.DataFrame([['V_C ']],
cols = ['Model', 'Accuracy', 'Precision', 'Recall', 'F1 Score','ROC'])
<pre>Final_Result = F_append(Final_Results, ignore_index = True)</pre>

	Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	ROC
0	Logistic Regression	0.720779	0.590164	0.666667	0.626087	0.708333
1	Random Forest	0.694805	0.550725	0.703704	0.617886	0.696852
2	KNN	0.766234	0.655172	0.703704	0.678571	0.751852
3	SVC Linear	0.649351	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.500000
4	NB	0.649351	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.500000
5	Voting Classifier	0.727273	0.590909	0.722222	0.650000	0.726111

#### **Conclusion and Future scope**

This work presented the detection of DDOS attack using distinct classifiers including logistic regression, random forest, KNN, SVM, naïve bayes and voting based classifiers. The result section demonstrates that result of logistic regression classifier in the detection process is highest. However still, classification accuracy is below desired levels. To accomplish better result, voting based classifier with fine tuning mechanism is applied. Voting classifier yield better accuracy but improvement is limited. In future, outlier detection mechanism along with missing values handling could be used for better results.

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