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An Artificial Immune System and Neural Network to Improve the Detection Rate in Intrusion Detection System

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Abstract-The use of artificial immune systems in intrusion detection is an appealing concept for two reasons. Firstly, the human immune system provides the human body with a high level of protection from invading pathogens, in a robust, self-organized and distributed manner. The threats and intrusions in IT systems can basically be compared to human diseases with the difference that the human body has an effective way to deal with them, what still need to be designed for IT systems. The proposed intrusion detection system will use the concepts of the artificial immune systems (AIS) which is a promising biologically inspired computing model. AIS concepts that can be applied to improve the effectiveness of IDS.

Key words: Intrusion Detection System, Artificial Immune System, Clustering

INTRODUCTION

Computer Security is used frequently, but the content of a computer is vulnerable to

few risks unless the computer is connected to other computers on a network. As the use of computer networks, especially the Internet, has become pervasive, the concept of Computer security has expanded to denote issues pertaining to the networked use of computers and their resources. The major technical areas of computer security are usually represented by the initials confidentiality, integrity, and authentication or availability. "denial of service" attacks, which are sometimes the topic of national news, are attacks against availability. Other important concerns of computer security professionals are access control and no repudiation.

The main goal of intrusion detection is to detect unauthorized use, misuse and abuse of computer systems by both system insiders and external intruders. Among automated intrusion detection systems, a particular system for network intrusion detection, known as a network-based intrusion detection system (IDS), monitors any number of hosts on a network by scrutinizing the audit trails of multiple hosts and network traffic. It is usually comprised of two main components: an anomaly detector and a misuse detector [1][2]. The anomaly detector establishes the profiles of normal activities of users, systems, system resources, network traffic and/or services and detects intrusions by identifying significant deviations from the normal behavior patterns observed from profiles[3][4]. The

misuse detector defines suspicious misuse signatures based on known system vulnerabilities and a security policy. This component probes whether these misuse signatures are present or not in the auditing trails[5][6]. This paper proposes the use of negative selection and niching of artificial immune system for developing an effective network-based IDS[7]. An overall artificial immune model for network intrusion detection presented in (Kim and Bentley, 1999b) consists of three different evolutionary stages: negative selection, clonal selection, and gene library evolution[8]. Among these stages, the first stage, negative selection, is investigated in this paper. We present a more efficient implementation of negative selection using a niching feature of artificial immune systems [9]

LITERATURE SURVEY

A lot of research works have been carried out in the literature for intrusion detection and some of them have motivated us to take up this research. Brief reviews of some of those recent significant researches are presented below:

Tich Phu oc Tran have applied Machine Learning techniques to solve Intrusion Detection problems within computer networks. Due to complex and dynamic nature of computer networks and hacking techniques, identifying malicious activities remains a challenging task for security experts, that is, defense systems that were currently available suffer from low detection capability and high number of false alarms[10].

Ye Yuan et proposed a method of evidence assignment in combination with Dempster-Shafer theory to identify network attack data. In this method, extracted features were identified by a multigeneralized regression neural network classifier, which determined the basic probability assignment[11].

Snehal A proposed the decision tree based algorithm to build multiclass intrusion detection system. Support Vector Machines was the classifiers which were initially designed for binary classification.

Shun J and **Malki H. A.** presented a neural network-based intrusion detection method for the internet-based attacks on a computer network.

Aida O. Ali id a relative study between the performances of recent nine artificial neural networks (ANNs) based classifiers was assessed centered on a particular set of features. The outcomes showed that; the Multilayer perceptrons (MLPS) based classifier yielded the best results; about 99.63% true positive attacks were detected.

Pohsiang Tsai suggested a Machine Learning (ML) framework in which various types of intrusions would be detected with different classifiers, containing different attribute selections and learning algorithms. Appropriate voting techniques were used to combine the outputs of these classifiers.

The pattern-learning abilities of the IS has been modeled and described by **Timmis**, **Neal**, and **Hunt** (2008) and **Dasgupta**, **Cao**, and **Yang** (2003) who successfully applied their AISs to recognition and classification tasks.

Also **Byoung-Doo** in 2006 built IDS deals well various mutated attacks, as well as well-known attacks by using Time Delay Neural Network classifier that discriminates between normal and abnormal packet flows. It seems that the area where the notion of AIS has been most widespread is in the area of computer security.

A. H. M. Rezaul Karim proposed collaborative IDS for MANET using Bayesian method using a set of very useful features which guarantee the effectiveness of the IDS [12]. L. Khan and et al. proposed a method with a scalable solution for detecting network based anomalies [13]. They used Support Vector Machines (SVM) for classification. They used the Dynamically Growing Self-Organizing Tree (DGSOT) algorithm for clustering.

Tsong and introduced a three-tier architecture of intrusion detection system which consists of a blacklist, a whitelist and a multiclass support vector machine classifier. They

designed a three-tier IDS based on the KDD'99 benchmark dataset[14].

Weiming Hu proposed an intrusion detection algorithm based on the AdaBoost algorithm. The discrete AdaBoost algorithm was selected to learn the classifier[15].

Hu Zhengbing1 proposed an algorithm to use the known signature to find the signature of the related attack quickly. They used nine different-sized databases[17],

Amit Kumar Choudhary proposed a neural network approach to improve the alert throughput of a network and making it attack prohibitive using IDS. For evolving and testing intrusion the KDD CUP 99 dataset were used[16].

Stefano Zanero proposed a novel architecture which implements a network-based anomaly detection system using unsupervised learning algorithms. They described how the pattern recognition features of a Self Organizing Map algorithm can be used for Intrusion Detection purposes on the payload of TCP network packets[18].

PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

The main drawback of traditional methods is that they cannot detect unknown intrusion. Even if a new pattern of the attacks were discovered, this new pattern would have to be manually updated into system. It is also capable of identifying new attacks to some degree of resemblance to the learned ones, the neural networks are widely considered as an efficient approach to adaptively classify patterns [Boger][11], but their high computation intensity and the long training cycles greatly hinder their applications, especially for the intrusion detection problem, where the amount of related data is very important.

PROPOSED APPROACH

The first negative selection algorithm was proposed by Forrest **et al** (1994) to detect data manipulation caused by a virus in a computer system. The starting point of this algorithm is to produce a set of self strings, S, that define the normal state of the system. The task then is to generate a set of detectors, D, that only bind/recognize the complement of S. These detectors can then be applied to new data in order to classify them as being self or non-self. The algorithm of Forrest **et al** produces the set of detectors via the process outlined in below.

Algorithm Overview

This work uses a negative selection algorithm to build an anomaly detector. This is achieved by generating detectors containing non-self patterns. The overview of this algorithm is provided in figure 4.1 and 4.2. The negative selection algorithm for network intrusion detection used 'Self' is built

by profiling the activities of each single network connection.

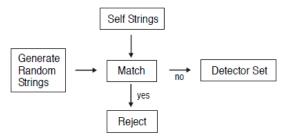


Figure: 4.1 Negative Selection Approach

The Procedure of Negative Selection algorithm is as follow input S_{seen} = set of seen known self elements output: D = set of generated detectors

Begin

Repeat

- Randomly generate potential detectors and place them in a set P
- Determine the affinity of each member of P with each member of the self set S_{seen}
- If at least one element in S recognizes a detector in P according to a recognition threshold,
- then the detector is rejected, otherwise it is added to the set of available detectors *D*
- until Stopping criteria has been met

End

CONCLUSION

This paper has described the Promising clustering and detection results encourage us to proceed our future work in several directions. Identifying the precise attack category associated with a cluster and the discriminating features that are unique to a given cluster can do a further detailed analysis of individual clusters.

In addition, feature selection/weighting for clustering will be investigated. This will eventually enhance our understanding and detection of new attack categories. Sophisticated self-labeling techniques, taking into consideration of additional network security domain knowledge, can be developed to improve the performance of clustering-based intrusion detection

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