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xNIDS: Explaining Deep Learning-based Network Intrusion Detection Systems for Active Intrusion Responses

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A   Artifact Appendix

A.1   Abstract

We present xNIDS, a novel framework that facilitates active intrusion responses by explaining DL-NIDS. Our artifact includes the proposed explanation method dedicated to explaining DL-NIDS.

A.2   Description & Requirements

A.2.1   Security, privacy, and ethical concerns

This artifact can be used by users anywhere, but it should be utilized strictly for research purposes and in adherence to good ethical practices.

A.2.2   How to access

This artifact is publicly available at `https://github.com/CactiLab/code-xNIDS/releases/tag/v2023.1.0`.

A.2.3   Hardware dependencies

The demo code is hardware-independent and can be optimized for execution on Google Colab.

A.2.4   Software dependencies

To run the code, the following software packages are required: Python, TensorFlow, Keras, NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, psutil, and asgl.

A.2.5   Benchmarks

The benchmark datasets utilized in this artifact are the NSL-KDD and Kitsune datasets.

A.3   Set-up

A.3.1   Installation

To access the code, kindly download it from the following link `https://github.com/CactiLab/code-xNIDS/tree/` `main`.

A.3.2   Basic Test

The demo code is written in Jupyter Notebook and can be executed on Google Colab.

A.4   Version