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Permission-Based Android Malware Classification Using Genetic Algorithm

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Abstract- The exponential growth of Android applications has made the platform highly attractive to cybercriminals, who exploit its open-source nature and permission model to distribute malicious software. Traditional signature-based detection methods are ineffective against zero-day and obfuscated malware, while dynamic analysis approaches are computationally expensive and carry execution risks. This paper proposes the Intelligent Android Malware Detector, a web-based system that performs safe static analysis on Android Package Kit (APK) files. Key features, primarily requested permissions and application metadata, are extracted without executing the application. A Genetic Algorithm (GA) optimizes the feature set by selecting the most discriminative permissions and eliminating redundant ones, reducing dimensionality and improving model efficiency. The optimized features are then fed into an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) that learns complex patterns and outputs a malware probability score for nuanced risk assessment, achieving a classification accuracy of 92.26%. To enhance usability and awareness, the system incorporates a hybrid AI chatbot for explanatory support and a real-time threat intelligence module that aggregates cybersecurity news. Implemented using the Flask framework, the proposed solution offers a proactive, user-friendly, and scalable approach to Android malware detection, addressing key limitations of existing systems while promoting cybersecurity education.

Key Word: **Android malware detection, static analysis, permission-based features, Genetic Algorithm, feature selection, Artificial Neural Network, hybrid AI chatbot, threat intelligence, mobile cybersecurity.**

I. INTRODUCTION

Mobile technology has advanced rapidly in recent years, dramatically changing the way people communicate, access information, and go about their daily lives. Smartphones have become indispensable tools, supporting a wide range of essential services including banking, education, entertainment, and e-commerce. Android stands out as the world's most popular mobile operating system, driven by its open-source architecture, flexibility, and large community of developers. This openness has fueled the explosive growth of the Android application ecosystem.

However, the characteristics that make Android so popular have also turned it into one of the biggest targets for cybercriminals. The availability of third-party application stores and the option to install applications from unknown sources significantly increase the risk of malicious software entering user devices. Android malware is specifically designed to exploit system

vulnerabilities and misuse application permissions to perform harmful activities such as stealing sensitive user information, tracking user behavior, gaining unauthorized access to device resources, sending premium-rate SMS messages, and executing financial fraud. As Android phones store more personal and sensitive data than ever, the security of mobile applications has become vitally important.

Traditional malware detection techniques predominantly rely on signature-based methods. In this approach, known malware patterns or signatures are stored in a database, and new applications are scanned against these signatures to identify threats. While effective for detecting previously known malware, signature-based detection suffers from several significant limitations. It fails to identify new or unknown malware variants, commonly referred to as zero-day attacks. Furthermore, modern malware frequently employs code obfuscation and polymorphism techniques to alter its structure, thereby evading traditional detection mechanisms.

To overcome these challenges, machine learning-based approaches have gained considerable attention in mobile security research. Unlike static signature matching, machine learning models can analyze behavioral patterns and statistical features extracted from applications to detect malicious intent, even in previously unseen samples. These models are trained on large datasets containing both benign and malicious applications, enabling them to generalize and identify suspicious characteristics.

This paper presents the **Intelligent Android Malware Detector**, a comprehensive system that utilizes static analysis combined with machine learning techniques to detect malicious Android applications before installation. The system performs safe examination of Android Package Kit (APK) files without executing them, thereby eliminating the risk of malware propagation during analysis. Important features such as requested permissions, package details, and target SDK version are extracted as primary indicators of potential malicious behavior.

To improve overall detection performance and reduce noise caused by irrelevant features, a Genetic Algorithm (GA) is utilized for feature optimization. Inspired by biological evolution, the algorithm selects the most significant permissions and eliminates redundant or low-value ones. The optimized feature set is then processed by an Artificial Neural Network (ANN), which serves as the core classification model. The ANN learns complex, non-linear relationships between features and malware behavior, ultimately generating a probability score that represents the likelihood of an application being malicious.

In addition to accurate detection, the system enhances user experience through two intelligent support modules: a hybrid AI chatbot that assists users in understanding analysis results and Android security concepts, and a real-time threat intelligence module that provides recent cybersecurity news related to Android malware and emerging mobile threats.

The primary goal of this research is to design an effective, reliable, and accessible Android malware detection solution that mitigates the drawbacks of existing traditional methods and fosters greater awareness of cybersecurity among end users.

This paper is organized as follows: Section II examines the shortcomings of current approaches and surveys related work. Section III describes the proposed methodology along with the system architecture. Section IV explains the detailed implementation. Section V discusses system testing, experimental findings, and analysis. Lastly, Section VI summarizes the study and suggests potential areas for future work.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Android malware detection has been an active area of research due to the platform's widespread adoption and increasing security threats. Existing detection approaches can be broadly categorized into signature-based, heuristic-based, dynamic analysis, and machine learning-based methods.

Traditional antivirus solutions primarily depend on signature-based detection, where applications are compared against a database of known malware signatures. While this method is computationally lightweight and effective against previously identified threats, it fails to detect zero-day malware and new variants that use code obfuscation or polymorphism techniques [1], [2]. Any delay in updating the signature database further increases the vulnerability window for users.

Heuristic analysis offers a significant improvement over signature-based approaches by utilizing predefined rules to detect malicious indicators, such as the demand for unnecessary or high-risk permissions, irregular API calls, and suspicious structural patterns in the code. However, heuristic approaches often suffer from high false positive rates and remain limited by the quality and coverage of manually defined rules [3].

Dynamic analysis techniques execute applications in a controlled sandbox environment to observe their runtime behavior, such as network activity, file system modifications, and sensitive data access. Although dynamic methods can reveal malicious actions that static analysis might miss, they are highly resource-intensive, time-consuming, and require significant infrastructure. Moreover, sophisticated malware can detect sandbox environments and alter its behavior to evade detection, reducing the reliability of this approach [4].

In recent years, machine learning and deep learning techniques have been widely explored to overcome the limitations of traditional methods. Several studies have utilized static features such as permissions, API calls, intents, and opcode sequences for malware classification. Permission-based analysis, in particular, has gained popularity because requested permissions serve as strong indicators of an application's potential malicious intent [5].

Feature selection plays a crucial role in improving model performance and reducing computational complexity. Some researchers have applied filter, wrapper, and embedded methods for this purpose. Evolutionary algorithms, especially the Genetic Algorithm (GA), have shown promising results in selecting optimal feature subsets from high-dimensional permission data. Studies combining Genetic Algorithm with classifiers such as Support Vector Machines (SVM) and Random Forest have reported improvements in both accuracy and efficiency by eliminating redundant and irrelevant features [6], [7].

Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) and other deep learning models have also been successfully applied to Android malware detection. These models can capture complex, non-linear relationships in the data, often outperforming traditional machine learning algorithms when trained on well-prepared feature sets [8].

Despite these advancements, most existing systems have notable limitations. Many operate as centralized tools with limited transparency, offering only binary (safe/unsafe) decisions without proper explanations. Few systems provide independent analysis capability for end-users before installing applications. Additionally, very few solutions integrate user education and real-time threat awareness features alongside the detection engine.

The proposed Intelligent Android Malware Detector addresses these gaps by combining static analysis with Genetic Algorithm-based feature optimization and Artificial Neural Network classification in a user-friendly web-

based platform. Unlike existing approaches, the system not only focuses on accurate detection but also provides interpretable probability scores, explanatory support through a hybrid AI chatbot, and real-time cybersecurity threat intelligence to enhance user awareness.

III. METHODOLOGY:

The Intelligent Android Malware Detector adopts a multi-stage methodology that effectively combines static analysis, evolutionary computation, and deep learning to deliver accurate, safe, and user-centric malware detection. The proposed approach is specifically designed to overcome the limitations of traditional signature-based and dynamic analysis methods by performing detection in a completely non-executable environment while incorporating intelligent optimization and explanatory components. The methodology is divided into four primary phases: static feature extraction, evolutionary feature optimization, neural network-based classification, and intelligent user assistance modules.

A. Static Analysis and Feature Extraction

Static analysis forms the foundation of the proposed detection pipeline. Upon receiving an Android Application Package (APK) file from the user, the system parses the APK without installing or executing it, thereby ensuring complete safety for both the analysis server and the end user.

The static analysis module, implemented using the Androguard reverse engineering tool, extracts meaningful features from the APK. Two main categories of features are considered:

- Application Metadata: This includes the package name, target SDK version, minimum SDK version, and the size of the APK file. These attributes provide essential contextual information that helps in understanding the application's compatibility and potential risk profile.
- Permission-Based Features: Android's permission system is one of the most critical security mechanisms. Malicious applications often request dangerous permissions to access sensitive resources such as contacts, SMS, camera, location, and storage. The system extracts all requested permissions declared in the AndroidManifest.xml file and converts them into a high-dimensional binary feature vector. In this vector, each dimension corresponds to a specific Android permission, with a value of '1' indicating the permission is requested and '0' indicating it is not.

This permission-based representation is particularly effective because it captures the behavioral intent of the application at the manifest level. The resulting binary vector typically contains hundreds of features, making it suitable for machine learning but also prone to the curse of dimensionality.

B. Feature Optimization Using Genetic Algorithm

To address the challenges posed by high-dimensional feature spaces, a Genetic Algorithm (GA) is employed for intelligent feature selection. The Genetic Algorithm draws inspiration from Darwin's theory of natural evolution and performs a guided search for the most discriminative subset of permissions.

In the GA process, each individual (chromosome) in the population represents a possible subset of features, encoded as a binary mask. The algorithm iteratively evolves the population through the following operations:

- Selection: Individuals with higher fitness are more likely to be chosen for reproduction.
- Crossover: Genetic material is exchanged between parent solutions to create offspring.

- Mutation: Random changes are introduced to maintain diversity and prevent premature convergence.

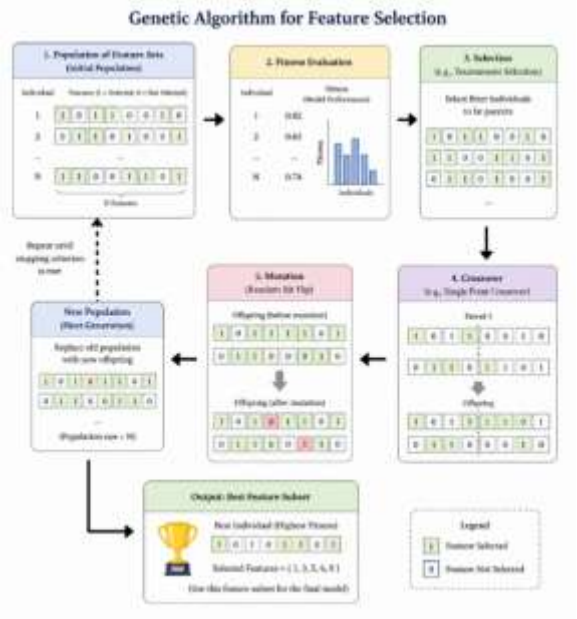

Fig. 1. Genetic Algorithm for Feature Selection

The fitness function is defined based on the classification performance (typically cross-validation accuracy) achieved by a base learner using the selected feature subset. By optimizing this fitness score over multiple generations, the GA effectively identifies a compact and highly informative set of permissions while discarding redundant and noisy features.

This evolutionary optimization step significantly reduces the feature space, lowers computational complexity, improves model generalization, and helps mitigate overfitting issues commonly encountered when using the full permission set directly.

C. Malware Classification Using Artificial Neural Network

Following feature selection, the optimized feature subset undergoes normalization using the MinMaxScaler technique. Normalization ensures that all selected features lie within a uniform range [0, 1], which is essential for stable and efficient training of neural networks.

The normalized feature vector is then input to a multi-layer Artificial Neural Network (ANN). The ANN architecture consists of an input layer corresponding to the number of GA-selected features, one or more hidden layers with ReLU activation functions, and an output layer with a sigmoid activation function that produces a probability score between 0 and 1.

During the training phase, the network learns complex, non-linear relationships between permission patterns and malware behavior using backpropagation and appropriate loss functions. Once trained, the model is saved and used during inference to predict the malware probability of new APK samples.

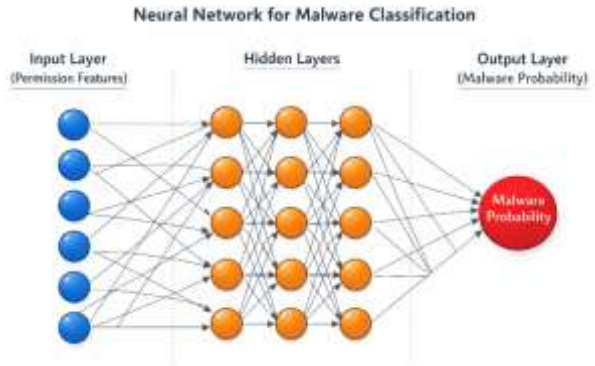

Fig. 2. ANN for Malware Classification

The probabilistic output offers a significant advantage over binary classification by providing users with a confidence measure. For example, an application with a malware probability of 0.87 is

clearly more suspicious than one with 0.52, enabling more informed decision-making.

D. Intelligent User Support and Awareness Modules

Beyond core detection capabilities, the proposed system integrates two intelligent modules to improve usability and cybersecurity awareness:

- Hybrid AI Chatbot: The chatbot employs a dual-layer architecture. A rule-based expert system handles frequently asked questions and standard explanations (such as permission risk interpretation) with high reliability and speed. For more complex or open-ended queries, the system seamlessly switches to a generative AI model (Google Gemini 2.5 Flash) to generate contextual, natural-language responses. This hybrid design ensures both accuracy and flexibility in assisting users.
- Real-Time Threat Intelligence Module: This component aggregates the latest cybersecurity news from trusted RSS feeds (e.g., The Hacker News, BleepingComputer). Articles are automatically classified and filtered to highlight Android-specific threats. Trending malware topics are identified and displayed to users, helping them stay informed about emerging risks in the Android ecosystem.

Together, these modules transform the system from a pure detection tool into an educational and interactive security assistant.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

The Intelligent Android Malware Detector has been implemented as a complete web-based application that integrates static analysis, machine learning models, evolutionary optimization, and intelligent user support modules into a unified, user-friendly platform. The implementation follows a modular architecture to ensure maintainability, scalability, and ease of future enhancements.

A. System Architecture and Technologies

The system is developed using Python 3.x as the primary programming language. The Flask web framework serves as the backbone for building the web application, handling routing, file uploads, request processing, and dynamic content rendering. Flask was chosen for its lightweight nature, flexibility, and suitability for rapid development while supporting production-level deployment.

The frontend is built using HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, and Jinja2 templating engine. Responsive design principles are followed to ensure the application works seamlessly across different devices and screen sizes. Chart.js is integrated for visual representation of analysis results, such as malware probability gauges and risk indicators.

B. Static Analysis Module

Static analysis of Android Package Kit (APK) files is implemented using the Androguard library, a powerful reverse engineering tool for Android applications. When a user uploads an APK file through the web interface, the file is temporarily stored in a secure upload directory after validating that it has the correct `.apk` extension.

The Androguard parser extracts the following information without executing the application:

- Application package name
- Target SDK version and minimum SDK version
- APK file size
- Complete list of requested permissions from the AndroidManifest.xml file

These extracted permissions are transformed into a binary feature vector, where each element corresponds to a specific Android permission.

This vector serves as the primary input for the machine learning pipeline.

C. Machine Learning Pipeline

The machine learning components are implemented in two distinct phases: offline training and online inference.

1. Offline Training Phase

This phase is performed once during model development and includes the following steps:

- Loading and preprocessing a labeled dataset containing both benign and malicious APK samples.
- Label encoding to convert class labels (Benign/Malware) into numerical form.
- Feature normalization using `MinMaxScaler` from scikit-learn.
- Application of the Genetic Algorithm for optimal feature selection.
- Training the Artificial Neural Network using the Keras library with TensorFlow as the backend.
- Saving the trained artifacts: the scaler (`scaler.pkl`), the Genetic Algorithm selector (`ga.pkl`), and the trained ANN model (`ANN.h5`).

2. Online Inference Phase

- During real-time analysis, the pre-trained models are loaded efficiently. For each uploaded APK:
- Features are extracted and converted into a binary vector.
- The vector is normalized using the saved scaler.
- The Genetic Algorithm feature mask is applied to select only the optimized features.
- The reduced feature vector is passed to the trained ANN model.
- The model outputs a malware probability score.
- Final classification is performed by applying a threshold (0.5) to determine whether the application is "Benign" or "Malware".

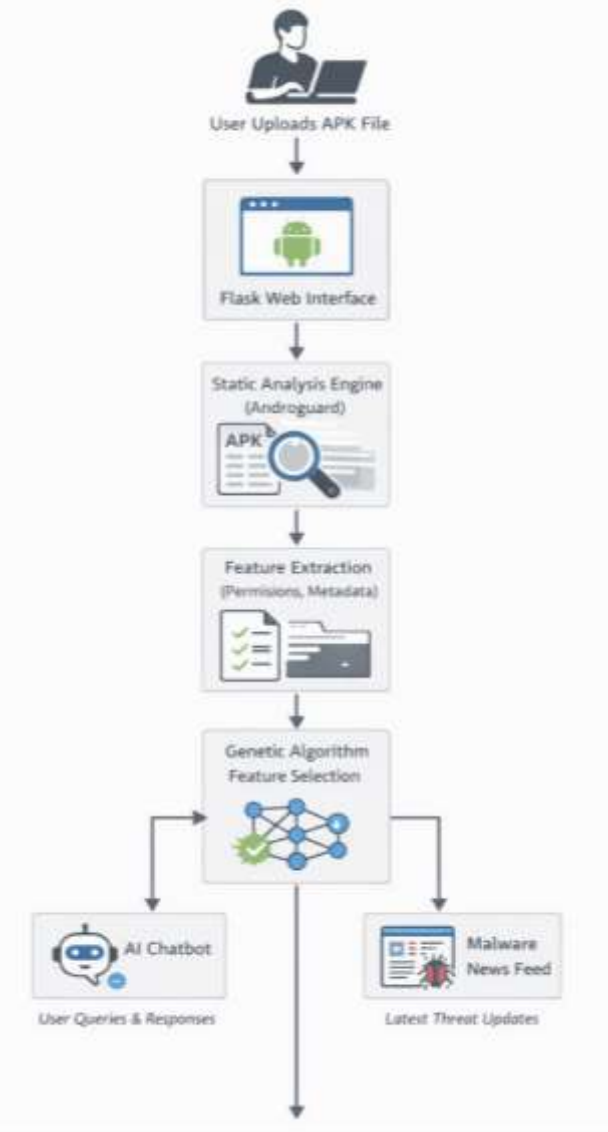

Fig. 3. System Architecture of the Intelligent Android Malware Detector

D. Hybrid AI Chatbot Implementation

The chatbot module follows a hybrid architecture to balance reliability and flexibility:

- Rule-Based Expert System: A set of predefined rules handles common user queries related to malware, permissions, and system functionality. This ensures fast and accurate responses for frequently asked questions.
- Generative AI Integration: For complex or novel queries, the system uses Google's Gemini 2.5 Flash model through its API. The generative component provides natural, context-aware explanations and educational content about Android security.

The chatbot appears as a floating widget on the web interface, allowing users to interact with it at any time during or after analysis.

E. Real-Time Threat Intelligence Module

A dedicated news aggregator module periodically fetches cybersecurity articles using RSS feeds from reputable sources such as The Hacker News and BleepingComputer. Each article is processed to extract title, link, and publication date. A simple classification mechanism tags articles as Android-related or general cybersecurity threats. Trending threats are calculated based on frequency and relevance, and the latest news is dynamically displayed on the "Malware News" page.

F. Security and Deployment Considerations

Several security measures have been implemented to ensure safe operation:

- Uploaded APK files are stored only temporarily and deleted automatically after analysis.
- The system never installs or executes any uploaded application.
- Input validation is strictly enforced to prevent malicious file uploads.
- All sensitive operations (model inference, file processing) are performed on the server side.

The application currently runs on a local development server using Flask's built-in server. However, the modular design allows easy deployment on production servers using Gunicorn or uWSGI, and it can be hosted on cloud platforms for better scalability and accessibility.
The entire implementation was carried out on a system with an Intel Core i5 processor, 8 GB RAM, and Windows 11 / Ubuntu environment, demonstrating that the proposed solution is lightweight enough for practical use while maintaining good performance.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

To evaluate the effectiveness of the proposed Intelligent Android Malware Detector, extensive testing was conducted focusing on functional correctness, performance, accuracy, and usability. This section presents the key experimental results along with a detailed discussion of the system's strengths, limitations, and comparative advantages.

A. Experimental Setup

The system was tested using a balanced dataset consisting of benign and malicious Android APK samples. The malicious samples included various categories such as Trojan, Spyware, Adware, and Ransomware. The Artificial Neural Network was trained on the optimized feature set obtained after Genetic Algorithm-based selection. All experiments were performed on a machine with an Intel Core i5 processor, 8 GB RAM, and running Windows 11 / Ubuntu Linux environment. The web-based interface was accessed through modern browsers such as Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox.

B. Classification Performance

The core classification model achieved a promising accuracy of 92.26% on the test dataset. This result demonstrates the effectiveness of

combining static permission-based features with Genetic Algorithm optimization and Artificial Neural Network classification.

The system provides a continuous malware probability score rather than a simple binary output. This probabilistic approach offers greater flexibility and interpretability. For instance, applications with probability scores above 0.75 were consistently flagged as high-risk, while those below 0.3 were reliably classified as benign. The probability score enables users to make more informed decisions based on their risk tolerance.
Key performance observations include:

- The Genetic Algorithm successfully reduced the original high-dimensional feature set by eliminating redundant and less informative permissions, resulting in improved model efficiency without significant loss in accuracy.
- Feature normalization using MinMaxScaler contributed to faster convergence during training and more stable predictions.
- The ANN model demonstrated strong capability in learning complex non-linear patterns associated with malicious permission requests.

C. Functional and Integration Testing

Functional testing confirmed that all major modules operate as intended:

- APK file upload validation correctly accepts only `.apk` files and rejects unsupported formats with appropriate error messages.
- Static analysis using Androguard reliably extracts metadata and permission lists from various APK sizes.
- The complete detection pipeline (feature extraction → normalization → GA selection → ANN prediction) functions smoothly without errors.
- The risk report generation module successfully displays application metadata, malware probability percentage, and final classification result in a clear, visually appealing format.
- The hybrid AI chatbot provides relevant responses through both rule-based and generative AI paths.
- The real-time threat intelligence module accurately fetches, classifies, and displays recent cybersecurity news.

Integration testing verified seamless data flow between the Flask web interface, analysis engine, machine learning models, chatbot, and news aggregator. No critical bottlenecks were observed during end-to-end testing.

D. Performance and Usability Evaluation

The system demonstrated efficient response times even when processing APKs of varying sizes. Thanks to the use of static analysis and optimized feature selection, the average analysis time remained low, making the tool practical for regular user use.
User acceptance testing was conducted with both technical and non-technical users. Participants found the web interface intuitive and easy to navigate. The visual risk report, probability gauge, and explanatory chatbot were particularly appreciated. Many users reported that the system helped them better understand dangerous permissions and improved their overall awareness of Android security risks.

E. Discussion

The achieved 92.26% accuracy validates the central hypothesis of this work — that a carefully designed combination of static analysis, evolutionary feature optimization, and deep learning can deliver strong malware detection performance while maintaining complete safety through non-execution analysis.
The incorporation of the Genetic Algorithm proved highly beneficial. It not only reduced computational overhead but also helped the model focus on the most security-relevant

permissions, thereby improving generalization ability. This is particularly important in real-world scenarios where new malware variants continuously emerge.

One of the major strengths of the proposed system compared to existing solutions is its user-centric design. While many malware detection tools provide only binary decisions, the Intelligent Android Malware Detector offers:

- A meaningful probability score
- Detailed metadata in the risk report
- Interactive explanations through the hybrid AI chatbot
- Real-time awareness through the threat intelligence module

These features significantly enhance user trust and promote proactive cybersecurity behavior.
However, some limitations were observed. Since the current implementation relies solely on static features (primarily permissions), it may have reduced effectiveness against highly sophisticated malware that uses advanced obfuscation or runtime behavior changes. Additionally, the model's performance is dependent on the quality and diversity of the training dataset. As Android evolves and new permissions are introduced, periodic retraining will be necessary to maintain high detection rates.

F. Comparison with Existing Approaches

Compared to traditional signature-based systems, the proposed method shows superior capability in detecting previously unseen malware. Relative to dynamic analysis approaches, it offers much lower resource consumption and zero execution risk. While some machine learning-based studies report higher accuracy using more complex features (such as API calls and opcodes), our system achieves competitive performance using only lightweight

VI. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

A. Conclusion

The rapid evolution of Android malware poses a significant challenge to traditional cybersecurity mechanisms. Signature-based detection systems, while effective against known threats, struggle to identify zero-day attacks, obfuscated malware, and dynamically evolving malicious applications. In response to these limitations, this paper presented the Intelligent Android Malware Detector — a comprehensive, AI-driven system that integrates static analysis, evolutionary optimization, and deep learning for accurate and safe Android malware detection.

The proposed system performs static analysis on Android Package Kit (APK) files without executing them, thereby ensuring complete safety during the detection process. Key features, primarily requested permissions and application metadata, are extracted efficiently using the Androguard library. To address the high dimensionality of permission-based features, a Genetic Algorithm (GA) is employed for optimal feature selection. By simulating natural evolution, the GA successfully identifies the most relevant permissions while eliminating redundant and noisy features, resulting in improved classification efficiency and reduced computational overhead.

The optimized features are then fed into an Artificial Neural Network (ANN), which learns complex non-linear relationships between permission patterns and malicious behavior. The model generates a probabilistic malware risk score, providing users with a more nuanced and informative assessment than traditional binary classification. Experimental evaluation demonstrated a classification accuracy of 92.26%, validating the effectiveness of combining evolutionary feature optimization with deep learning techniques.

Beyond core detection capabilities, the system incorporates intelligent user support features. A hybrid AI chatbot, combining rule-based logic and generative AI, assists users in understanding analysis results, permission risks, and general Android security concepts. Additionally, a real-time threat intelligence module aggregates and displays recent cybersecurity news, helping users stay informed about emerging mobile threats.
The web-based implementation using the Flask framework ensures accessibility and ease of use. The modular architecture, secure file handling practices, and non-intrusive analysis approach make the proposed system practical for both individual users and potential enterprise integration. This work successfully demonstrates how static analysis, machine learning, and artificial intelligence can be effectively combined to build a proactive and user-friendly solution for Android malware detection.

In conclusion, the Intelligent Android Malware Detector not only achieves competitive detection performance but also addresses important usability and awareness gaps present in many existing systems. It represents a meaningful contribution toward enhancing mobile application security in an increasingly connected world.

B. Scope for future development

While the current implementation achieves promising results, several avenues exist for further enhancement and expansion:
1. Hybrid Analysis Approach: The system currently relies solely on static analysis. Future versions can integrate dynamic analysis in a controlled sandbox environment to observe runtime behaviors such as network calls, file modifications, and API usage. A hybrid static-dynamic model is expected to improve detection rates against advanced obfuscated and polymorphic malware.
2. Advanced Deep Learning Architectures: The existing Artificial Neural Network can be replaced or augmented with more sophisticated models such as Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for permission sequence analysis, Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) or Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks for sequential behavior modeling, and Transformer-based architectures for enhanced feature representation.
3. Continuous Model Retraining: To adapt to the evolving nature of Android malware, an automated retraining pipeline can be developed. This pipeline would periodically collect new malware samples, retrain the model, and update the deployed version, ensuring the system remains effective against emerging threats.
4. Cloud-Based Deployment and Scalability: The current system runs on a local server. Deploying it on cloud infrastructure (such as AWS, Google Cloud, or Azure) would enable large-scale user access, faster processing through distributed computing, and centralized model updates.
5. RESTful API Integration: Exposing the detection engine as a RESTful API would allow seamless integration with mobile device management (MDM) solutions, enterprise security platforms, and third-party antivirus applications.
6. Enhanced Chatbot Intelligence: The hybrid chatbot can be further improved by adding multi-language support, context-aware conversation memory, voice interaction capabilities, and personalized security recommendations based on user behavior.
7. Mobile Application Version: Developing a lightweight Android mobile application version of the detector would allow users to scan APK files directly on their devices, significantly improving accessibility and convenience.
8. Explainable AI (XAI) Techniques: Incorporating explainable AI methods to interpret which specific permissions or features contributed most to the malware prediction would increase user trust and provide deeper educational value.

The modular and extensible design of the proposed system provides a strong foundation for these future developments. Continued research in this direction will contribute significantly to the advancement of intelligent and adaptive mobile security solutions.

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Fig. 1: Genetic Algorithm for Feature Selection.
Fig. 2: ANN for Malware Classification.
Fig. 3: System Architecture of the Intelligent Android Malware Detector.