

PHISHING EMAIL DETECTION

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Abstract— The phishing email is one of the significant threats in the world today and has caused tremendous financial losses. Although the methods of confrontation are continually being updated, the results of those methods are not very satisfactory at existing system. Here, we used Data mining as well as web mining to detect patterns and mine out textual information on web pages. Here, we are using phishing system to detect the unwanted messages that are more susceptible to terrorism and will send to the spam directly to the recipient who is using the system.

Index Terms— Email, Phishing detection, Classification, RCNN, Attention

I. INTRODUCTION

The rapid development of Internet technologies has immensely changed on-line users' experience, while security issues are also getting more overwhelming. The current situation is that new threats may not only cause severe damage to customers' computers but also aim to steal their money and identity. Among these threats, phishing is a noteworthy one and is a criminal activity that uses social engineering and technology to steal a victim's identity data and account information. According to a report from the Anti-Phishing Working Group (APWG), the number of phishing detections in the first quarter of 2018 increased by 46% compared with the fourth quarter of 2017. According to the striking data, it is clear that phishing has shown an apparent upward trend in recent years. Similarly, the harm caused by phishing can be imagined as well. The report from PhishLabs notes that email and online services overtook financial institutions as the top phishing target. For phishing, the most widely used and influential mean is the phishing email. Phishing email refers to an attacker using a fake email to trick the recipient into returning information such as an account password to a designated recipient. Additionally, it may be used to trick recipients into entering special web pages, which are usually disguised as real web pages, such as a bank's web page, to convince users to enter sensitive

information such as a credit card or bank card number and password. Although the attack of phishing email seems simple, its harm is immense. In the United States alone, phishing emails are expected to bring a loss of 500 million dollars per year. According to the APWG, the number of phishing emails increased from 68,270 in 2014 to 106,421 in 2015, and the number of different phishing emails reported from January to June 2017 was approximately 100,000. In addition, Gartner's report notes that the number of users who have ever received phishing emails has reached a total of 109 billion.

II. RELATED WORK

With the emergence of email, the convenience of communication has led to the problem of massive spam, especially phishing attacks through email. Various anti-phishing technologies have been proposed to solve the problem of phishing attacks. S. Sheng et al. [1] studied the effectiveness of phishing blacklists. Blacklists mainly include sender blacklists and link blacklists. This detection method extracts the sender's address and link address in the message and checks whether it is in the blacklist to distinguish whether the email is a phishing email. The update of a blacklist is usually reported by users, and whether it is a phishing website or not is manually identified. At present, the two well-known phishing websites are PhishTank and OpenPhish. To some extent, the perfection of the blacklist determines the effectiveness of this method based on the blacklist mechanism for phishing email detection. With the development of AI, phishing email detection has also entered the era of machine learning. In particular, the combination of NLP and machine learning has played a significant role in phishing email detection. Semantic features [2], syntax feature [3], and contextual features [4] previously have been used in this area. A. Vazhayil et al. [5] started from the most basic machine learning methods and used decision trees, logistic regression, random forests, and SVM combined with supervised classification to detect phishing emails. I. R. A. Hamid et al. [6] proposed a hybrid feature selection method that combines content and behavior. The detection method

sent message means, the receiver receives the mail in his/her spam box or else inbox.

Spam Detection

In this Module, Admin should login first. It will contain the predefined user name and password. Admin side, it will have the features of keywords, spam, analysis, chart. By using Mining concepts Administrator can add few terrorism related words manually in few parameters/ categories. That keywords will also going to add with the existing dataset. In spam, we can see what are all spam messages from starting. In analysis, It contains a mail having how many words in those keyword categories and their total count per each mail.

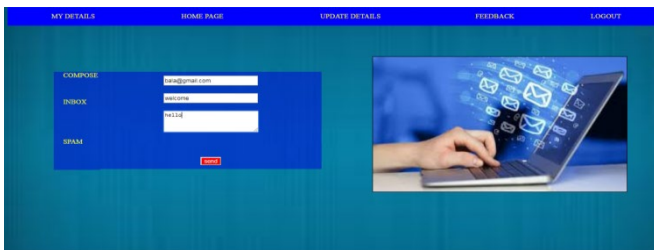


Figure 3: Spam Detection

Preprocessing

In this Module, Admin can see all the spam mail sent and receive in this system, whereas, Spam Detection will contain preprocessing which means it will remove all the common words/stop words such as the, and, or, here, there, etc.,

VII. CONCLUSION

To curb and destroy the terrorism and spreading of their activities through online social media through unwanted messages and images to cover the helpless people, we need to use the powerful method or system. That system should be useful to the cops for easily give awareness to common people and find the person who are spreading the harmful words as well as who are all involved in terrorism.

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