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## **ABSTRACT**

Cybersecurity threats have become a critical challenge in today's digital landscape, leading to an increasing need for effective solutions to mitigate false positives in security systems. This project explores strategies to enhance the accuracy of cybersecurity measures by reducing false positive rates, which can lead to unnecessary alerts and a misallocation of resources. False positives not only diminish the efficiency of security operations but also hinder response times and overall system effectiveness.

The project focuses on refining detection algorithms and leveraging advanced machine learning techniques to better differentiate between legitimate threats and benign activities. By analyzing vast datasets and applying sophisticated anomaly detection methods, the project aims to improve the precision of threat identification. It includes the development of models trained to recognize patterns indicative of true security breaches while filtering out non-threatening events.

Through a series of rigorous tests and performance evaluations, the project demonstrates how fine-tuning existing models and implementing hybrid approaches can significantly reduce false positives without compromising the detection of actual attacks. Additionally, the integration of contextual and behavioral data helps improve decision-making accuracy, further minimizing the risk of false alerts.

Key innovations in the project include the integration of contextual information, such as user behavior and environmental factors, to provide a more nuanced understanding of potential threats. By incorporating these additional layers of data, the detection system becomes better equipped to discern between anomalous activity that indicates a genuine security breach and that which may be a false positive.

In conclusion, this project provides an in-depth analysis of mitigating false positives in cybersecurity, offering practical solutions for improving the reliability and efficiency of threat detection systems. The results contribute to advancing cybersecurity measures in various sectors, enhancing the protection of critical infrastructure and sensitive data.