

Advantages of anomaly detection between a controlling unit and its process devices for Industrial Control Systems

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The Problem

ICS is usually old

- Security not main focus
- Meant to last for 20-30 years
- Continuously available

Wrong production

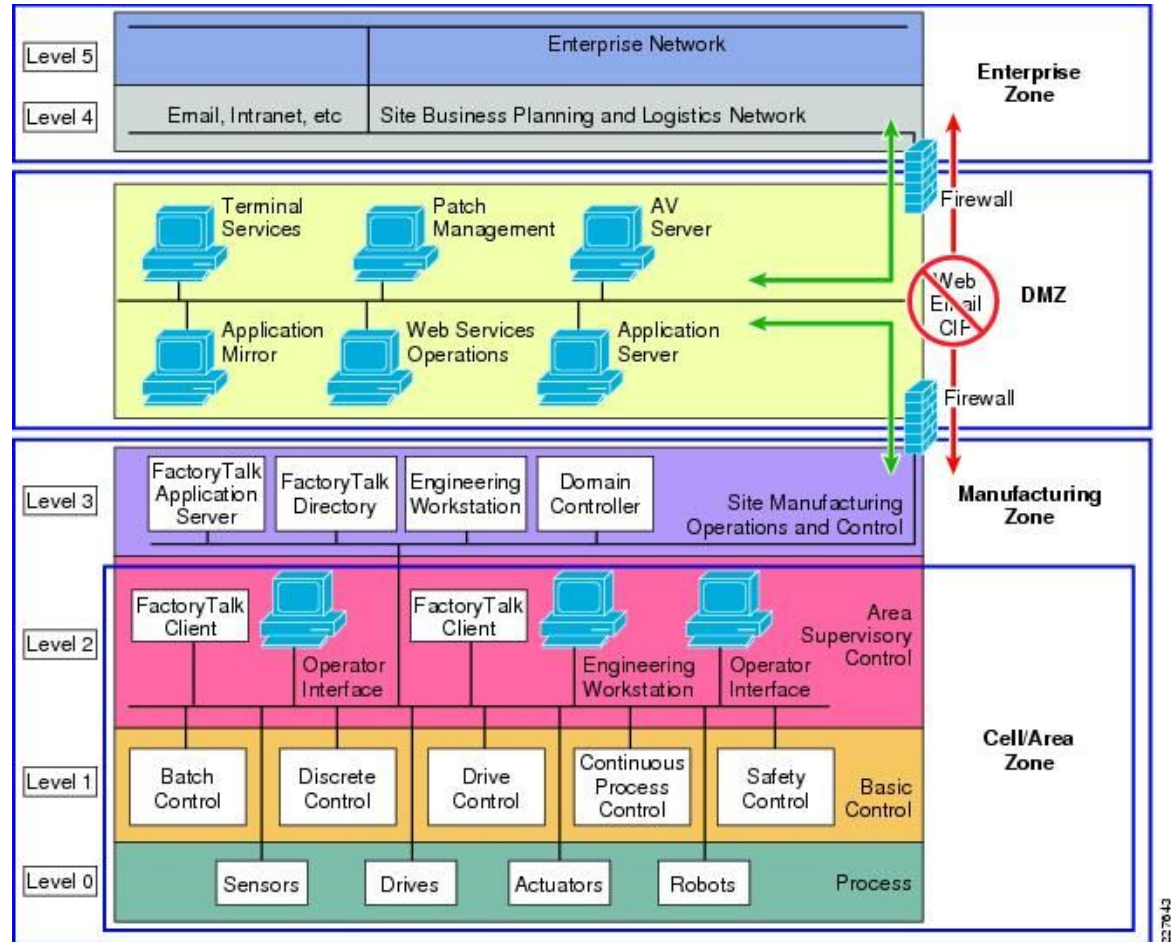
- Destroy centrifuge
- Power outage



Problem Analysis

- Initial infection coming from within company
- Overwrites PLC
- Fools every device above PLC

Hack is found only when damage is noticeable



Purdue Model for Control Hierarchy

Research Question & Methodology

Research Question

"What are the advantages of anomaly detection between the controlling unit and its process devices?"

Methodology

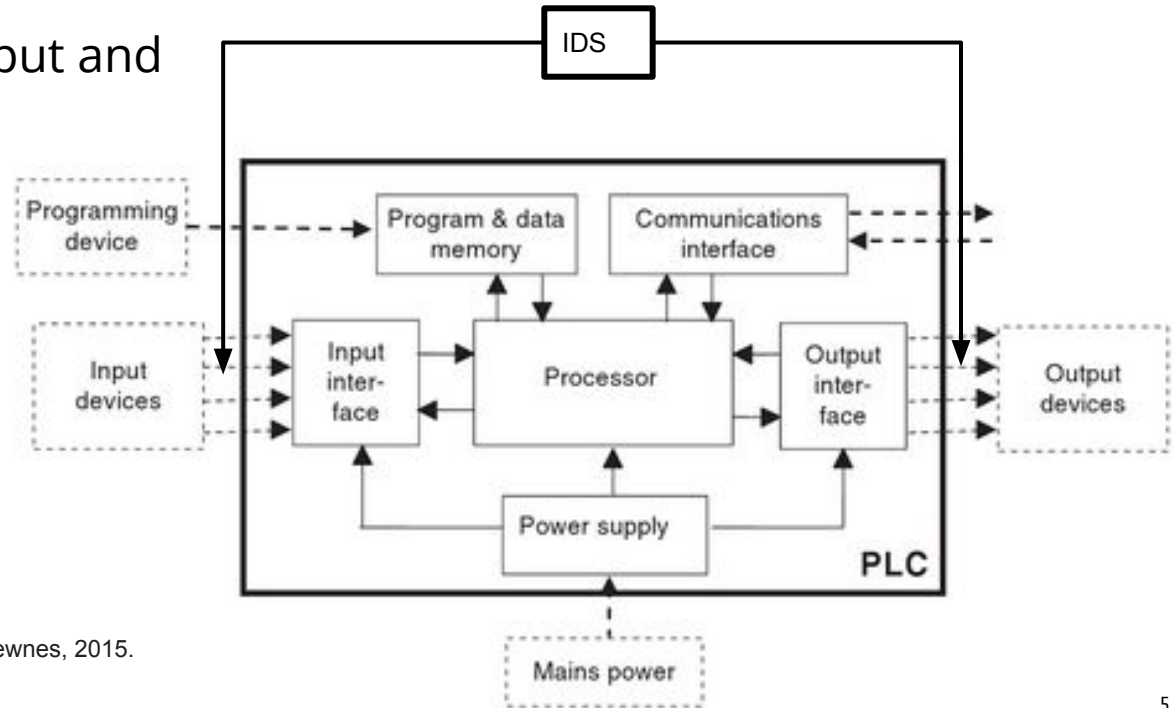
1. Related Work
2. Literature Study
3. Proof of Concept
 - a. data experiments

Solution to Minimize Damage

Detection along with Prevention

Anomaly detection at the input and output devices of PLC

- raw data
- Integer data
- Just before PLC



Source: Bolton, William. *Programmable logic controllers*. Newnes, 2015.

Related Work

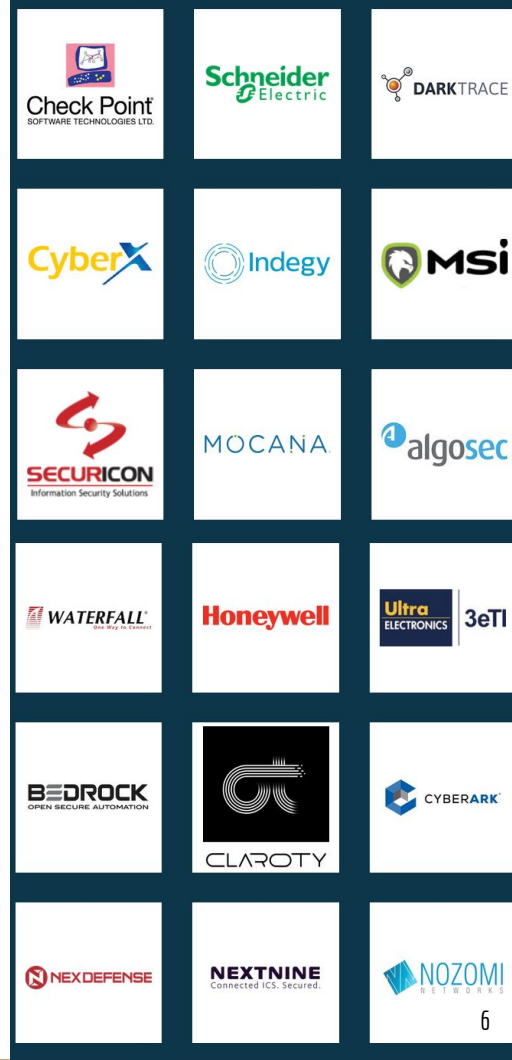
Detection between level 1 and 0 already provided by security companies?

- Do not give much info
- Not in the white papers

Why so little info?

- Competitive reasons
- Confidentiality (security)

Source: <http://www.icscybersecurityconference.com/>



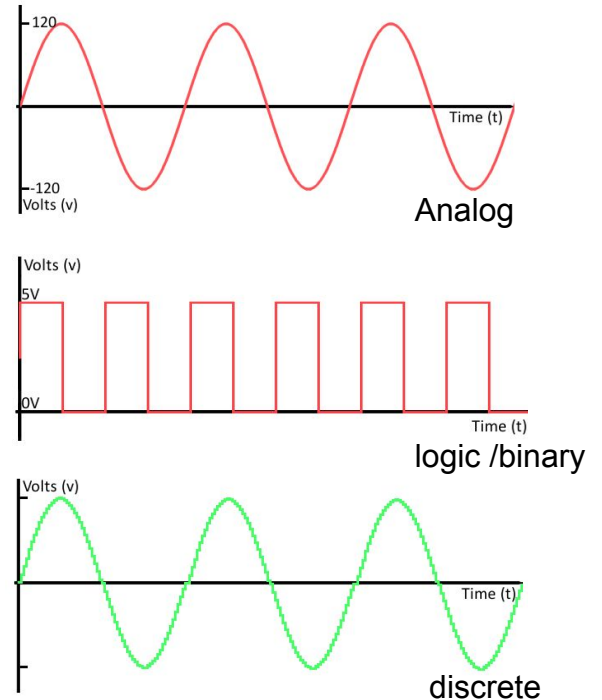
Anomaly Detection on Raw Data

3 types of in- and output signals of level 0 devices

Conform to a pattern of the production process

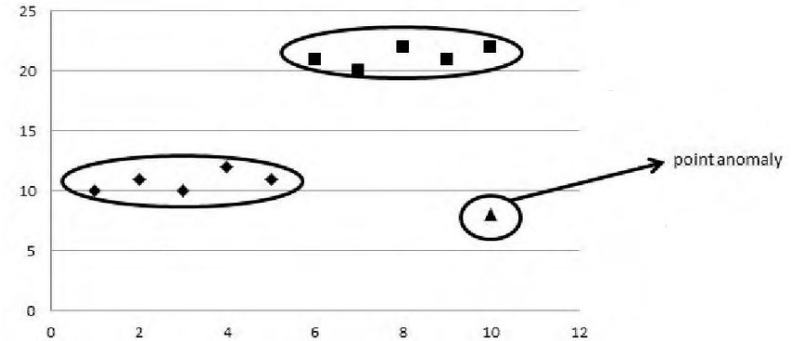
- Keeping right temperature

Source: <https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/analog-vs-digital>



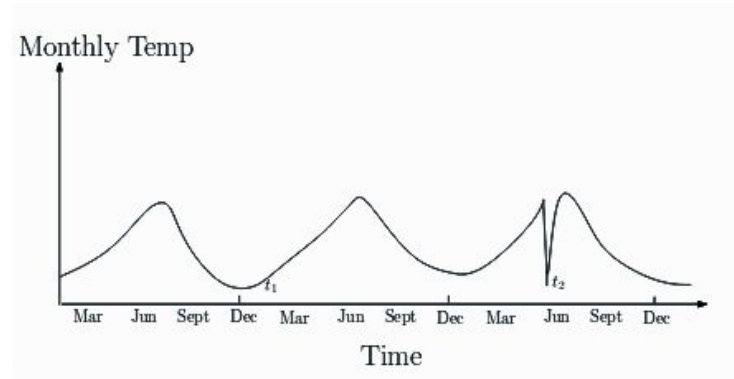
Anomaly Types

- Point Anomalies
- Contextual Anomalies



ICS specific what is of high importance

source : <http://cucis.ece.northwestern.edu/projects/DMS/publications/AnomalyDetection.pdf>



Proof of Concept

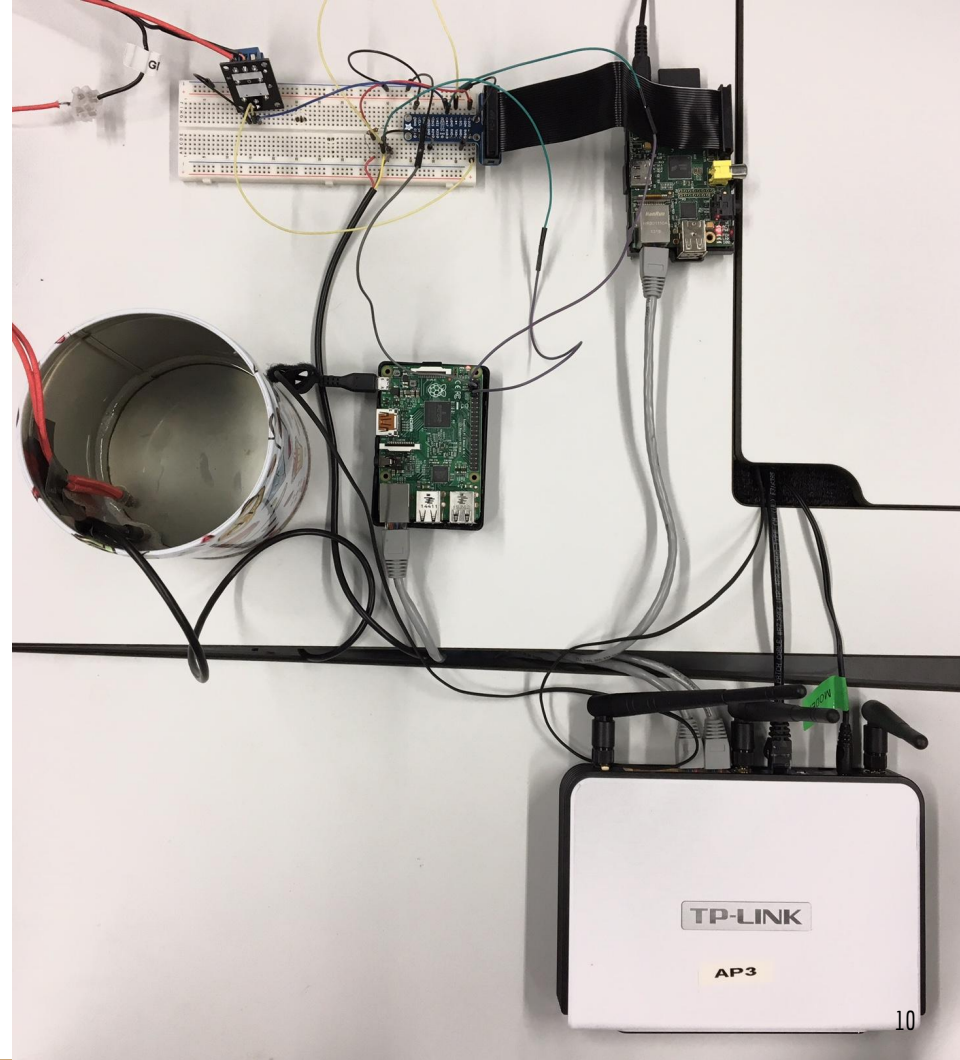
Requirements

- Point and Contextual Anomaly Detection
- Realistic comparison to ICS
- Available components for setup
- Simple setup to proof possibility to our research question

Closed Thermostatic Environment

Components

- Heater (digital logic signal)
- Sensor (digital discrete signal)
- Raspberry Pi - PLC
- Raspberry Pi 2 - IDS



Anomaly Detection Techniques for PoC

Requirements of ADT	Knowledge Based	ML SVM	ML LSTM
Real-Time	✓	✓	✓
Point detection	✓	✓	✓
Contextual detection	✓	✗	✓
Generic setup	✗	✓	✓

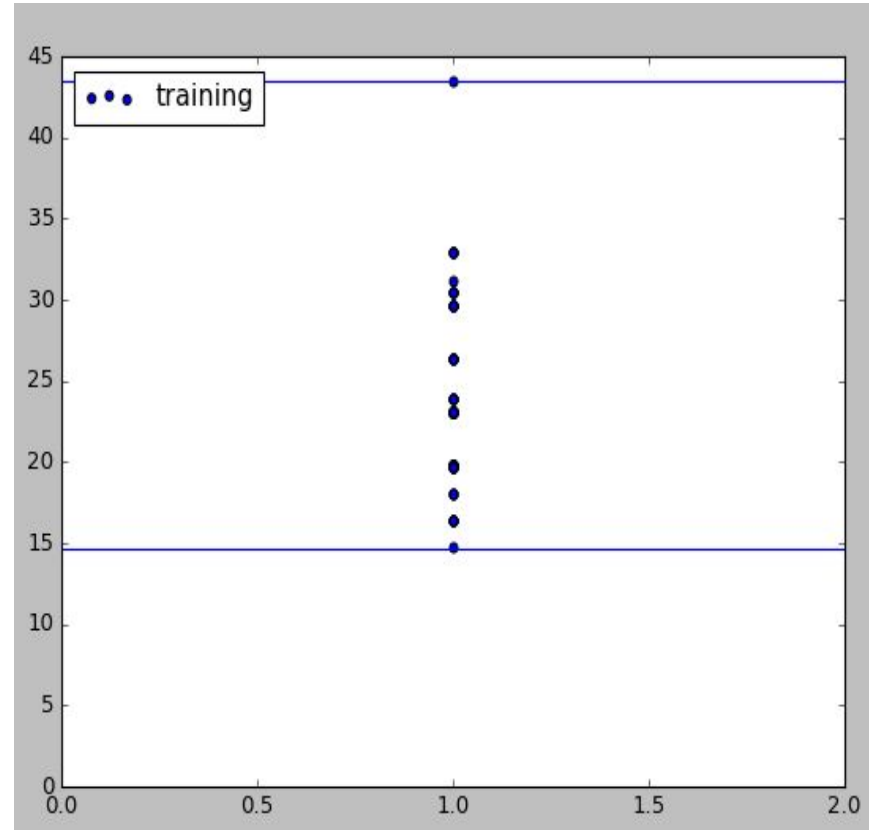
ML-based One Class Support Vector Machine

Implementation

- Unsupervised learning (unlabeled)
- On training data
- Classification

Proof of Concept

- Real time classification every second



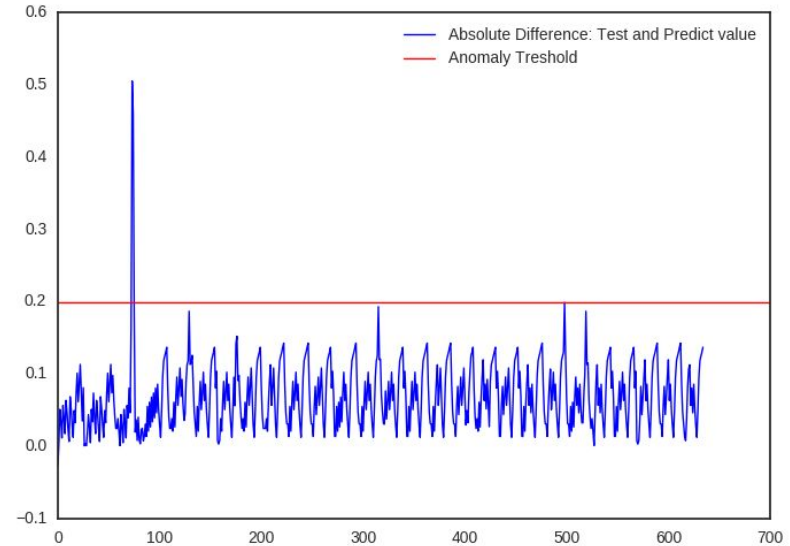
ML-based Long Short-Term Memory

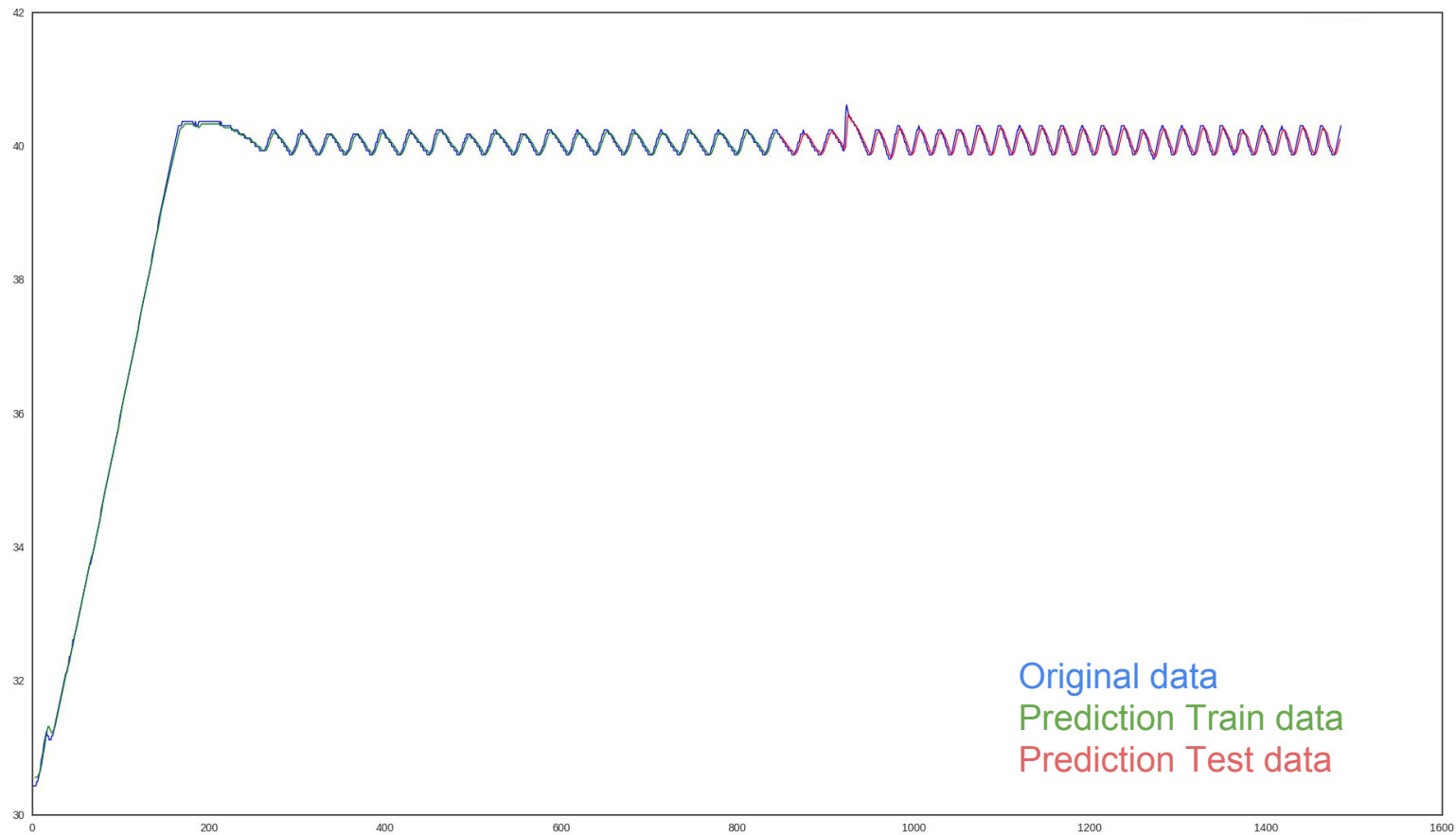
Prediction by LSTM network

- Recurrent Neural Network
- Window size 3

Anomaly Detections

- Norm = | Real value - Predicted value |
- Threshold = $\text{Max}(\text{Norm}_{\text{Train}})$
- Anomaly = $\{x \mid \text{Norm}_{\text{Test}}(x) > \text{Threshold}\}$





The Data

IDS.py script

- Writes train and test files
- Uses multithreading to run SVM and LSTM concurrently both use train data
- SVM is real-time
- LSTM on test data file

30.0	0	1485959229.51
30.0	0	1485959230.34
30.0	0	1485959231.17
30.0	0	1485959232.0
29.937	0	1485959232.83
30.0	0	1485959233.66
29.937	1	1485959234.49
29.937	1	1485959235.32
29.937	1	1485959236.15
29.937	1	1485959236.97
29.937	1	1485959237.79
29.937	1	1485959238.61
29.937	1	1485959239.43
29.937	1	1485959240.25
29.937	1	1485959241.07
29.937	1	1485959241.89
29.937	1	1485959242.71
29.937	1	1485959243.53
29.937	1	1485959244.35
30.0	1	1485959245.17
30.0	1	1485959245.99
30.0	1	1485959246.81
30.062	0	1485959247.63
30.062		15

Results IDS

new test session starts for 10.0 minutes 2017-02-06 17:18:52

SVM: Anomaly detected - heater was on for 1.6399860383

Train length: 1091

Test length: 308

the train data is 0.77% of total

Threshold: 0.129699897766

LSTM: Anomaly has magnitude of 18% above norm

new test session starts for 10.0 minutes 2017-02-06 17:28:54

Train length: 1091

Test length: 305

the train data is 0.78% of total

Threshold: 0.129699897766

new test session starts for 10.0 minutes 2017-02-06 17:38:57

2017-02-06 17:33:16.160318

Experiments & Results

Trainset = 50 min. Testset = 10 min.	Knowledge based	SVM	LSTM
0. Nothing	✓	✓	✓
1. Remove sensor at min 2 and heater at 6 min for 10 sec	✓	✓	✓
2. Activate heater 5 sec longer after min 2	2/5	3/5	✓
3. Add Icecube at min 2	✓	✓	✓
4. Slowly remove 16% of water at min 2	✓	✓	✓

Conclusion

"What are the advantages of anomaly detection between the controlling unit its process devices?"

- Requirements are met by combining SVM and LSTM
- Anomaly detection to find:
 - 1. Malfunction of components
 - 2. Hacks
 - 3. Vandalism/Stupidity
- Cost Efficient
- ICS owner has to make the trade-off
 - Implementation and equipment cost VS prevented high damage costs
- Further development and research is needed to develop into a business use case

Discussion & Future Work

- Used a Pi instead of real PLC
- Not tested on other ICS environments
- Combine sensor and actuator data and compare for better Detection
- Setup warning system

Questions