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The configuration manual outlines a step-by-step guide to prepare and evaluate a machine-learning model using Python, Jupyter Notebook, and essential libraries. This comprehensive guide is designed to assist users in setting up their local environment and seamlessly executing each stage of the model development process.

It offers users a systematic approach, guiding users through the critical steps required for successful model creation. From the installation of the requisite software, such as Python and Jupyter Notebook, to the installation of essential libraries for data manipulation and visualization, the manual ensures a well-prepared development environment.

Hardware configurations used:

Hardware configuration	Specification
Processor	Intel(R) Core (TM) i5-7200U CPU @ 2.50GHz 2.70 GHz
RAM	8 GB
Storage	1TB HDD
Operating system	Windows 10 Home v22H2

1 Section 1: Prerequisites to prepare the model

Step 1: Python Installation: Download the python v3.11.1 installation file from <https://www.python.org/downloads/> and install it on the local machine.

Step 2: Jupyter Notebook Installation: Open the command prompt and install Jupyter Notebook using the following command:

- **pip install notebook**

Step 3: Required Libraries Installation: Install the necessary Python libraries by running the following commands:

- **pip install pandas**
- **pip install scikit-learn**
- **pip install matplotlib**
- **pip install seaborn**
- **pip install numpy**
- **pip install TensorFlow**

Tabel 1: Software version summary

Software Name	Version	Download URL
Python	3.11.0	https://www.python.org/ftp/python/3.11.0/python-3.11.0-amd64.exe
Jupyter	1.0.0	https://jupyter.org/install

Libraries version summary table:

Library Name	Version	Download URL
numpy	1.26.2	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/dd/2b/205ddff2314d4eea852e31d53b8e55eb3f32b292efc3dd86bd827ab9019d/numpy-1.26.2.tar.gz
pandas	2.1.3	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/86/ff/662dde2193fc93b8547b073db20472b9676f944d907247a46c9c5bc45bfc/pandas-2.1.3.tar.gz
matplotlib	3.8.2	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/fb/ab/38a0e94cb01dacb50f06957c2bed1c83b8f9dac6618988a37b2487862944/matplotlib-3.8.2.tar.gz
seaborn	0.13.0	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/06/6f/caf0741c5787358b0efba3b4db7f8235e3a48e719ad2444bbd51485f966c/seaborn-0.13.0.tar.gz
scikit-learn	1.3.2	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/88/00/835e3d280fdd7784e76bdef91dd9487582d7951a7254f59fc8004fc8b213/scikit-learn-1.3.2.tar.gz
TensorFlow	2.15.0	https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/93/21/9b035a4f823d6aee2917c75415be9a95861ff3d73a0a65e48edbf210cec1/tensorflow-2.15.0-cp311-cp311-win_amd64.whl

2 Section 2: Steps to Prepare the Model

Step 1: Download and save the dataset - CSE-CIC-IDS2018¹ in the same directory where Jupyter Notebook is installed.

Step 2: Jupyter Notebook Setup: Open the command prompt navigate to the directory containing the dataset and run the below command,

- **jupyter notebook**

Step 3: Run the Data Preprocessing Code: Copy and paste the code or write the code for loading, preprocessing, and exploring the dataset.

Step 4: Run the Data Visualization Code: Execute the code for visualizing label distribution and attack types using Matplotlib and Seaborn.

¹ <https://aws.amazon.com/marketplace/pp/prodview-qkyroawpr2aw6#resources>

Step 5: Run the Label Transformation Code: Implement the code for transforming labels into numerical values.

Step 6: Run the Gradient Boosting Classifier Model Code: Copy and paste the code for loading the dataset, preprocessing, selecting features, converting labels, and splitting the dataset. Ensure the provided features align with the dataset's column names. Run the Gradient Boosting Classifier model code.

3 Section 3: Evaluate the model

Step 1: Execute the code for evaluating the model accuracy and visualize the confusion matrix.

Step 2: Review Results: Analyse the accuracy precision, F1-score, confusion matrix generated by the model to assess its performance.