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# Detection of Cyber-Attacks Against SCADA

## An evaluation of anomaly detection techniques

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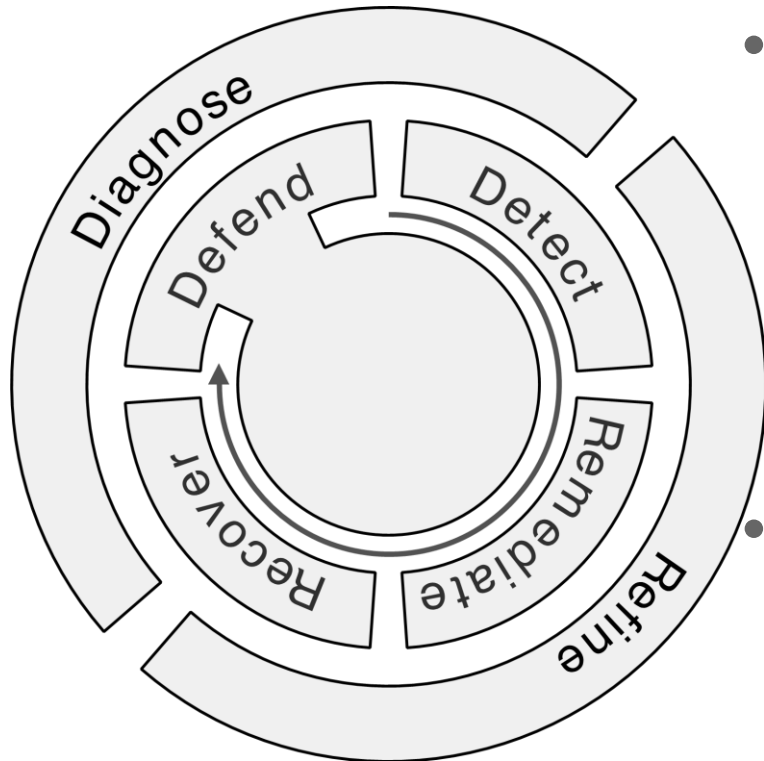
- Resilience reference framework
- Performance analysis of detection techniques
- Concluding remarks



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# Resilience and ways of achieving it...



## Resilience strategy

- *'... the ability of a network/system to defend against and maintain an acceptable level of service in the presence of challenges.'* \*
- $D^2R^2+DR$ 
  - Real-time control (internal) loop
  - Background (external) loop

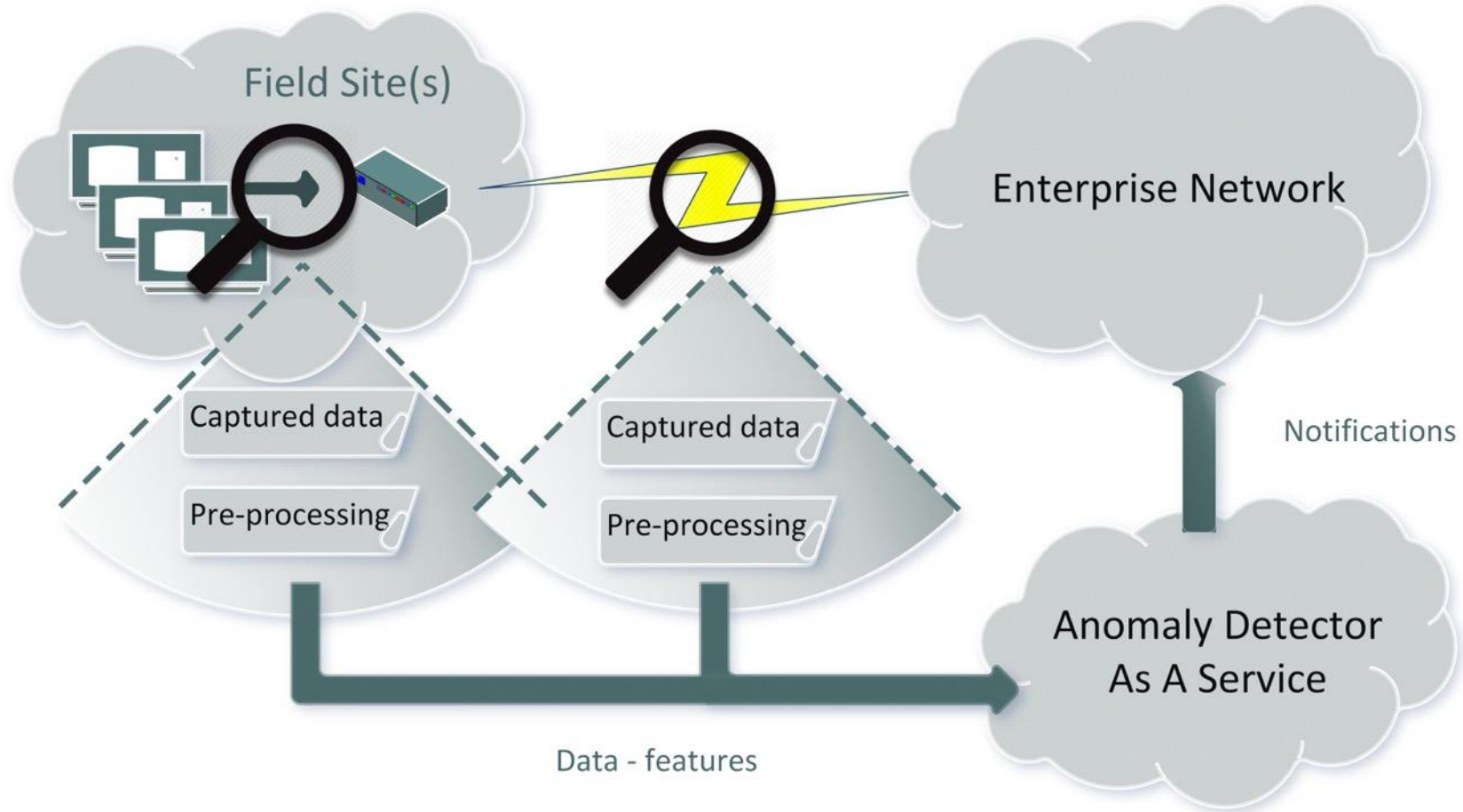
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# Overall concept





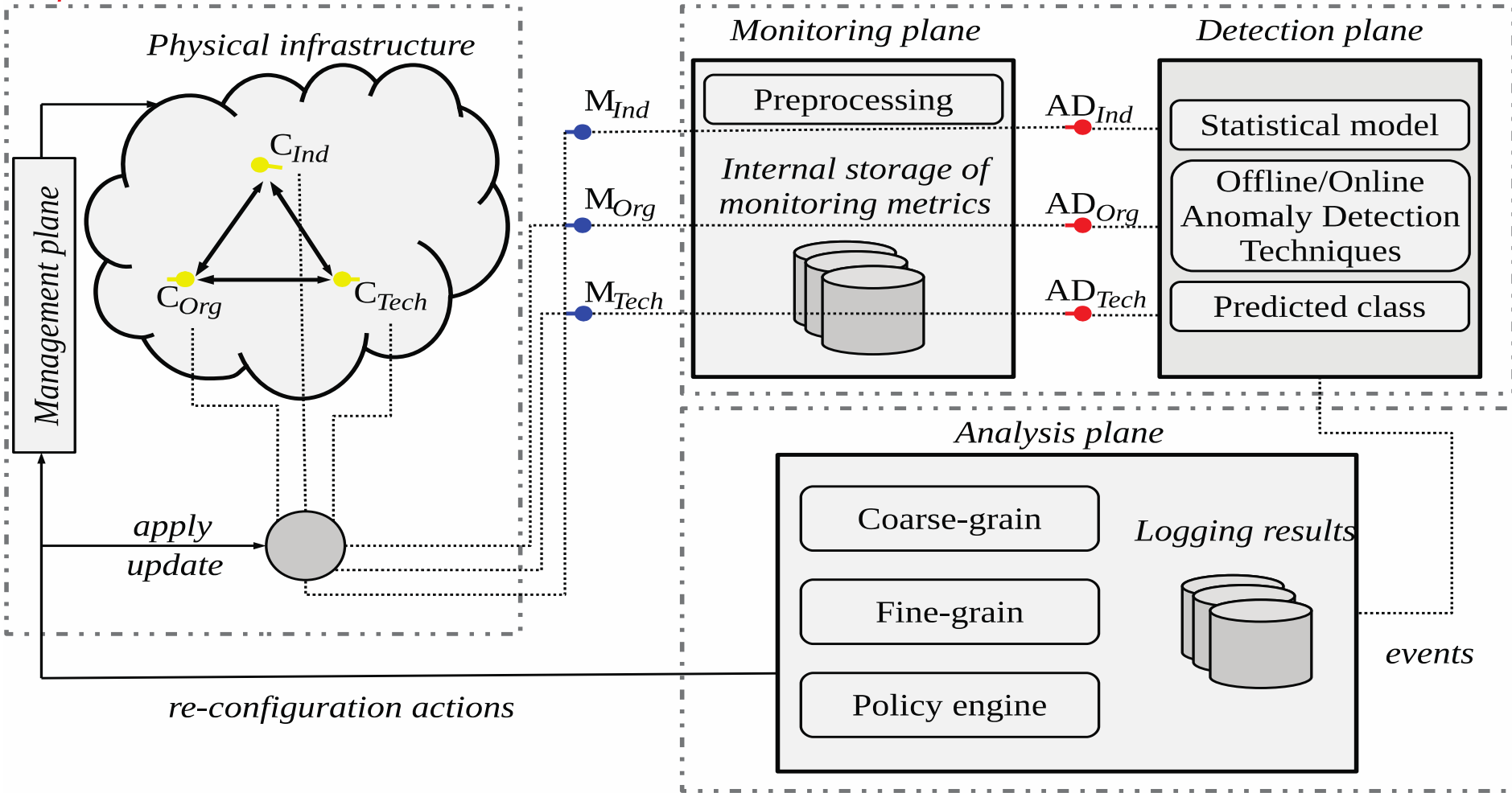
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# Resilience architecture



*Defend*

*Detect*





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# Dataset and techniques



- Dataset\*
  - Simulated traffic on a gas pipeline
  - Modbus traffic including read/write command for a PLC
  - Attacks included: Response injection (naïve, complex), reconnaissance, DoS, command injection (state, parameters, function code)
- Detection techniques
  - Supervised: K-Means, Naïve Bayesian
  - Unsupervised: PCA – Singular value decomposition, GMM, Data Density

\* Mississippi State University lab



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# Method for evaluating techniques



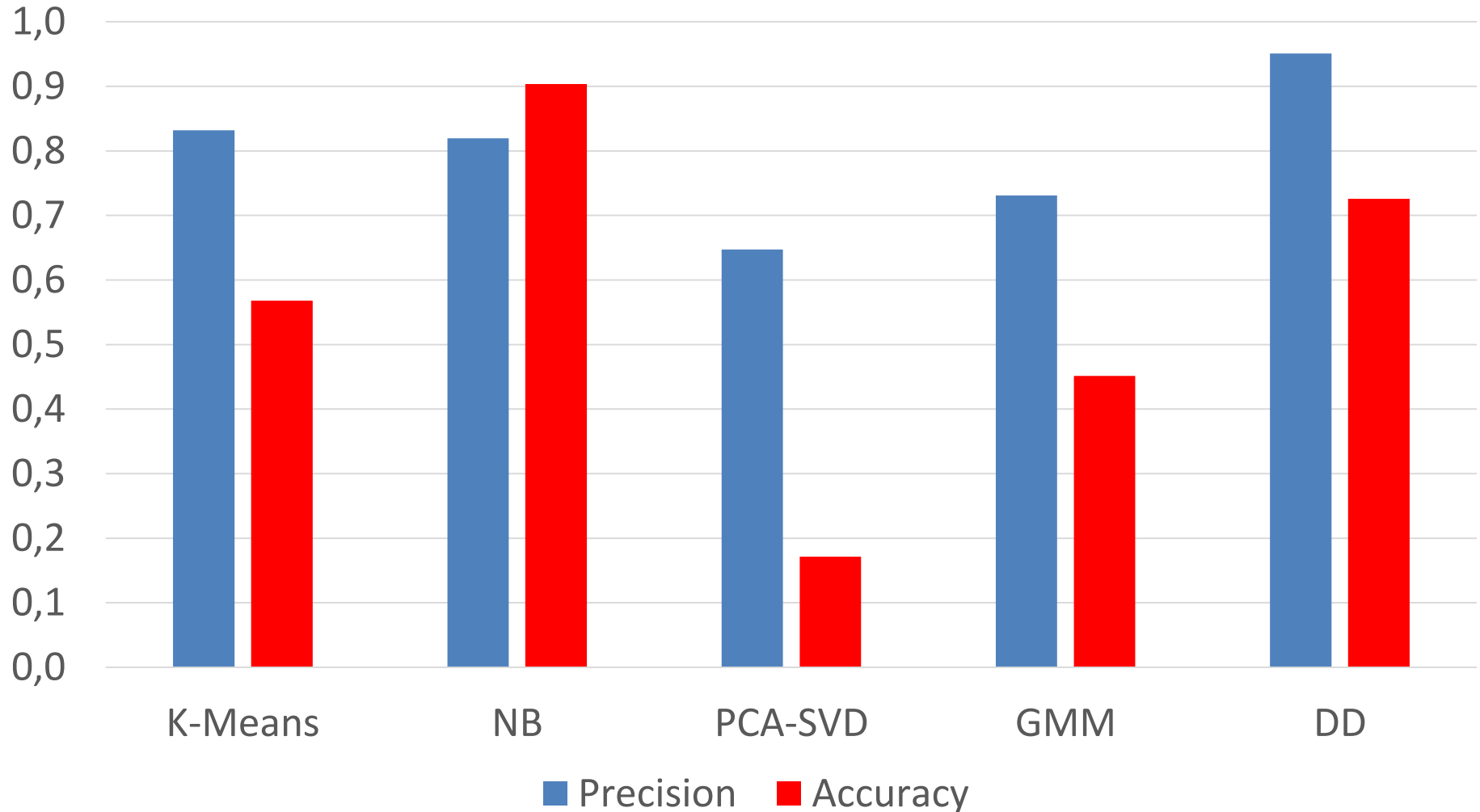
- Obtain most significant features from the dataset
  - Normalization of data
- Split dataset in 8 trace files
  - Combined dataset (1 file)
  - Attack trace plus normal data (7 files)
- Submit each trace file to the detector
- Compare the output against ground truth



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# Combined dataset

## Comparison of techniques







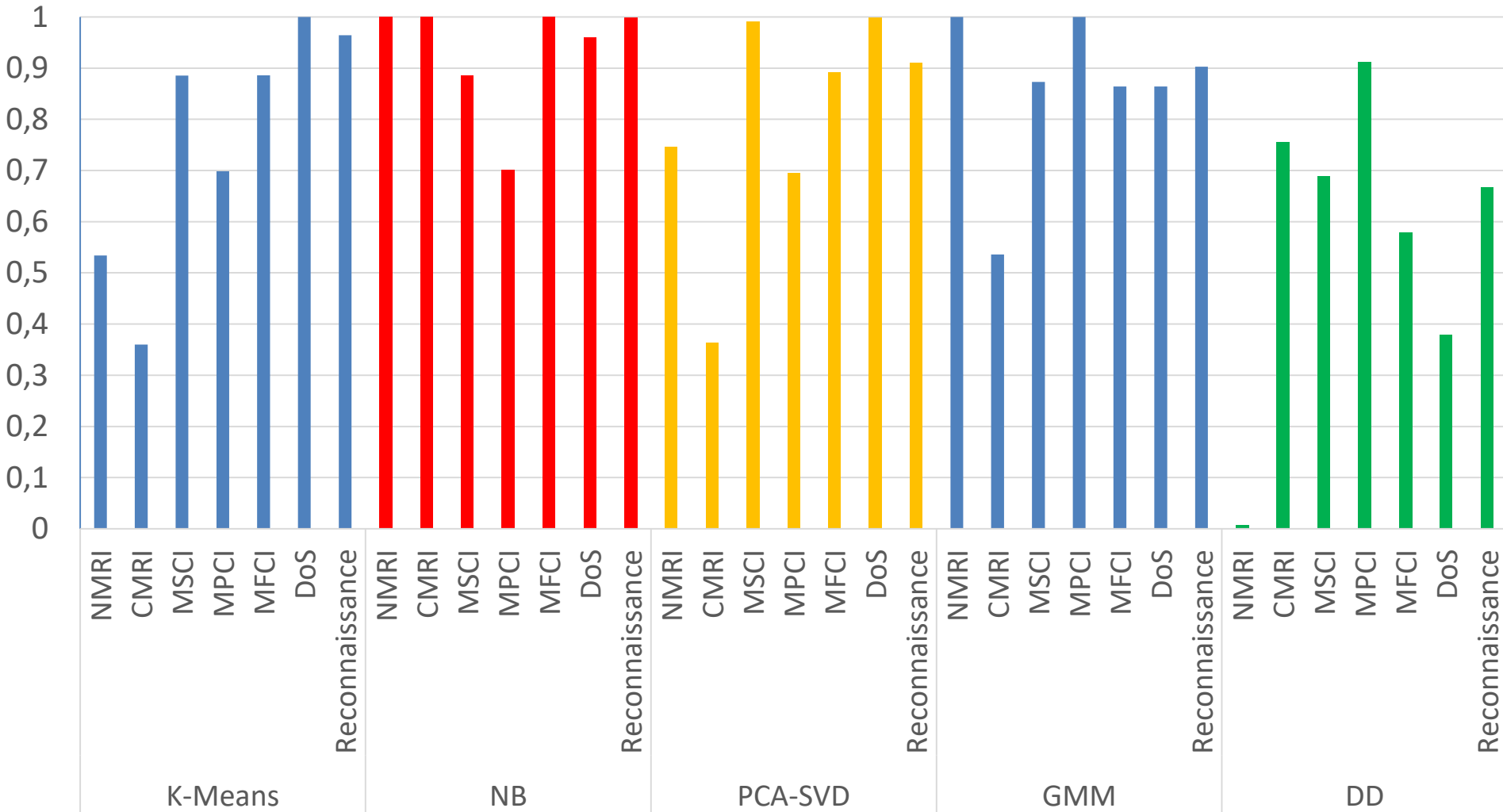
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# Precision of techniques per attack



HyRIM

Precision



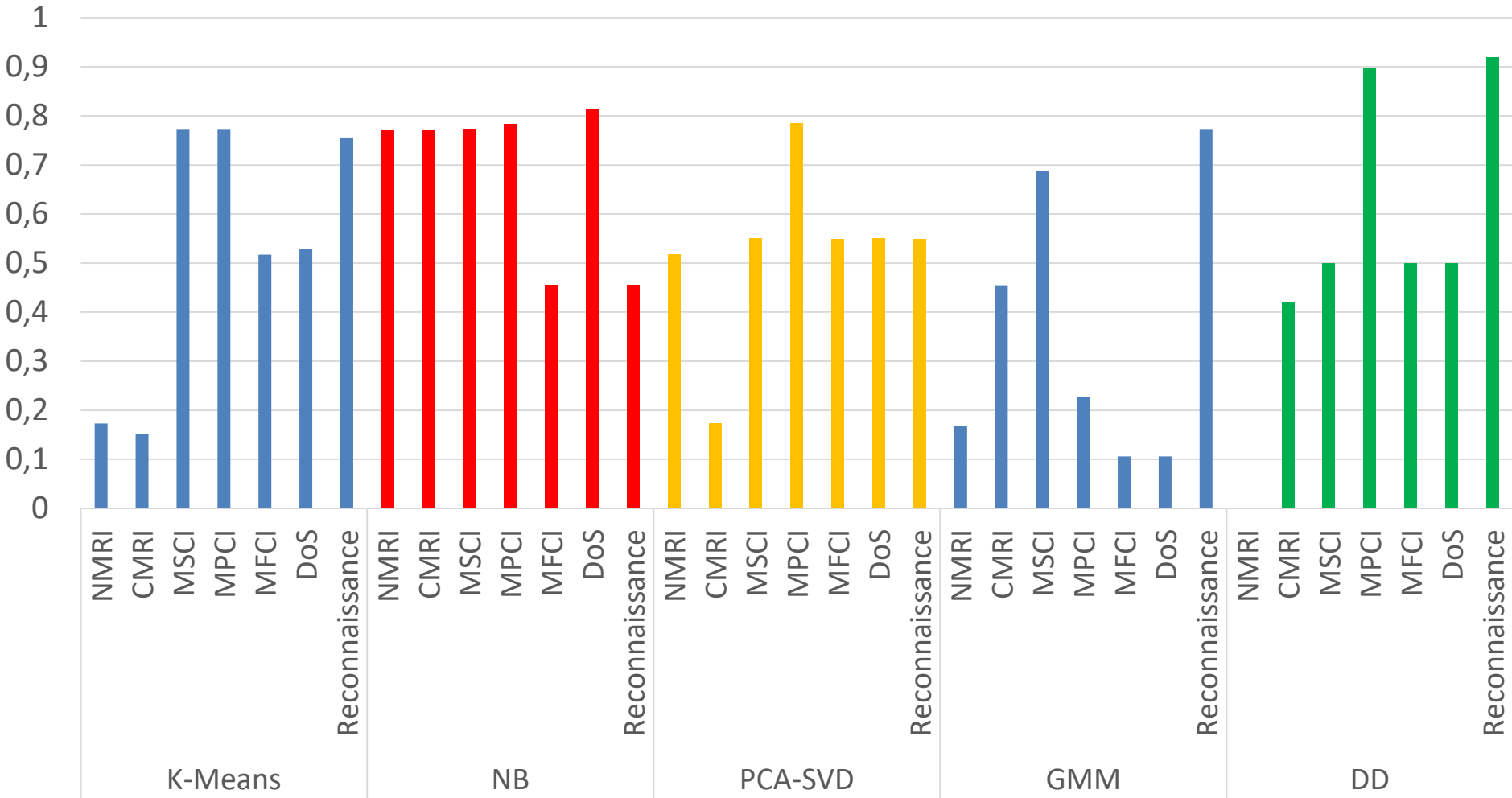


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# Accuracy of techniques per attack



Accuracy





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# Concluding remarks

- Detection rate differs with respect to the
  - Type of attack
  - How different anomalous data packets are from normal traffic, intensity of the attack
- Supervised techniques perform better
- Is a dataset always available for training?



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# Thank you!

