An Empirical Analysis of Machine Learning Algorithms for Crime Prediction using Stacked Ensemble Learning

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ABSTRACT

The rapid growth of digital technologies has led to a significant increase in crime and cybercrime incidents, necessitating the development of accurate and reliable predictive models to support proactive law enforcement and policy planning. Traditional machine learning approaches often rely on single classifiers, which suffer from limited generalization capability and higher prediction error when dealing with complex and heterogeneous crime data. To address these limitations, this work proposes a stacked ensemble learning framework for zone-wise crime and cybercrime risk prediction, integrating multiple machine learning algorithms with a meta-learning strategy.

The proposed methodology employs heterogeneous base classifiers, including Decision Tree, Naïve Bayes, Random Forest, and Support Vector Machine, whose individual predictions are combined using a Support Vector Machine-based meta-classifier through stacked generalization. A rigorous mathematical formulation is presented to model data normalization, base learner predictions, meta-feature construction, and ensemble optimization. Additionally, spatial risk modeling and clustering techniques are incorporated to identify high-risk zones and generate actionable crime vulnerability insights.

Experimental evaluation demonstrates that the proposed stacked ensemble framework significantly outperforms individual classifiers in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, and error reduction metrics such as MAE and RMSE. The results confirm the effectiveness of ensemble stacking in capturing complex crime patterns and improving predictive reliability. The proposed model offers a scalable and robust solution for crime risk forecasting and can be effectively utilized by law enforcement agencies for early warning systems, targeted interventions, and data-driven urban safety planning.

Keywords

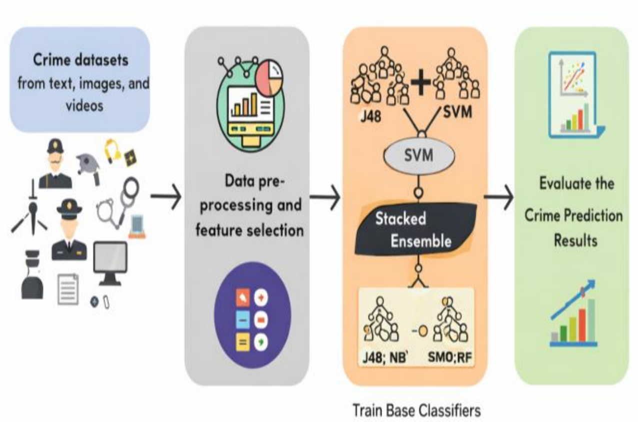
Stacked Ensemble Learning, Crime Prediction, Cybercrime Risk Analysis, Meta-Classifier, Zone-Wise Risk Modeling

1. INTRODUCTION

The proliferation of digital technologies has irrevocably altered societal interactions, concurrently giving rise to an intricate landscape of cybercrime that necessitates sophisticated predictive analytics for effective mitigation [12]. Traditional crime prediction methodologies often struggle with the dynamic and multifaceted nature of cyber threats, highlighting the critical need for advanced machine learning approaches [9]. This paper addresses this gap by proposing a stacked ensemble learning framework, specifically tailored for zone-wise cybercrime risk analysis and prediction, leveraging meta-classifiers to enhance predictive accuracy and robustness. This framework integrates multiple base learners, including various machine learning and deep learning models, to capture diverse patterns within complex cybersecurity datasets [8,10]. The outputs of these base learners are then fed into a meta-classifier, which learns to combine their predictions optimally, thereby achieving superior accuracy and generalization compared to individual models [20]. This multi-tiered architecture, where base classifiers independently process input data and a meta-classifier synthesizes their outputs, has been shown to yield improved accuracy in various classification tasks [18,24]. This approach is particularly beneficial for complex tasks like cybercrime prediction, where diverse data types and evolving threat vectors necessitate a flexible and adaptive modeling strategy [19].

Such ensemble methods, particularly stacking, have demonstrated superior performance in various domains, from fraud detection to spatial crime prediction, by effectively mitigating individual model weaknesses and leveraging their collective strengths [2,14]. Specifically, this research builds upon existing ensemble learning techniques by incorporating a specialized meta-classifier designed to optimize predictions across heterogeneous cybercrime datasets, thereby enhancing the model's adaptability to evolving threat landscapes [23]. The proposed framework employs a comprehensive feature engineering approach, utilizing techniques such as the Bag of Words model to extract salient information from raw cybercrime data, which is then partitioned into training and test sets for rigorous model evaluation [18].

This study further refines zone-wise risk modeling by incorporating granular spatial and temporal data, allowing for more nuanced predictions of cybercrime incidents within specific geographical areas [21]. This detailed spatial and temporal analysis assists in identifying high-risk zones and predicting future cybercrime occurrences with greater precision, thereby enabling targeted intervention strategies [16]. By integrating hierarchical ensemble architectures, the system effectively handles the diversity and complexity of cyber-related data, ensuring robustness against evolving threats [24]. Furthermore, the application of stacked ensemble learning and meta-classifiers in cybercrime prediction demonstrates superior accuracy and F1-scores compared to individual algorithms [18]. This comprehensive approach addresses challenges related to model selection and data heterogeneity, offering a versatile framework applicable across diverse cybercrime scenarios [29].Figure 1 illustrates the end-to-end workflow of the proposed methodology, starting from crime data collection and preprocessing to the training of multiple base classifiers and their integration using stacked ensemble learning. The framework highlights how meta-learning improves prediction accuracy and enables robust evaluation of cybercrime prediction outcomes.


Crime datasets from text, images, and videos
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Evaluate the Crime Prediction Results
Train Base Classifiers

Fig. 1. Stacked Ensemble–Based Crime Prediction Framework

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Cybercrime, a pervasive and evolving threat, necessitates sophisticated predictive frameworks; consequently, numerous machine learning models have been explored to detect and mitigate these digital risks [6]. Ensemble learning techniques, including bagging, boosting, and stacking, have emerged as particularly effective methodologies by combining multiple models to improve predictive accuracy and robustness compared to single learners [5]. Ensemble approaches have proven effective in applications such as fake news detection, where aggregating predictions from multiple weak classifiers results in a stronger and more accurate model [22].In cybersecurity, diverse machine learning and deep learning approaches assist in identifying data breaches, potential threats, and vulnerabilities within computer systems and communication networks, enabling rapid data analysis while reducing human intervention [17]. Moreover, ensemble learning techniques have demonstrated promising results in crime prediction, with gradient boosting models achieving high accuracy in forecasting various offenses [14]. Hybrid architectures that combine convolutional and recurrent neural networks further enhance predictive performance in complex security and surveillance applications [25].

Comprehensive surveys emphasize the effectiveness of artificial intelligence and machine learning in cybersecurity while highlighting the importance of robust data preparation and model selection to address challenges such as irrelevant features and limited training data [17]. This underscores the necessity of effective preprocessing and feature engineering techniques in cybercrime prediction [17]. Building upon these insights, this research integrates a comprehensive framework that addresses data limitations and leverages stacked ensemble learning to enhance cybercrime risk analysis [18].

A dual-level ensemble framework, Ensem_SLDR, combining SVM, Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, and Random Forest classifiers, has demonstrated high accuracy in cybercrime classification [18]. Similarly, heterogeneous stacked ensemble models have been proposed for cyberattack and fraud detection by combining multiple machine learning algorithms to improve performance [3]. Advanced ensemble approaches integrating deep learning with SMOTE and KPCA further enhance robustness and sensitivity toward minority attack classes [26].

Stacked ensemble methods have also been successfully applied in online transaction fraud detection, where convolutional neural networks are employed for feature extraction and Support Vector Machines for classification [28]. Such integrations address class imbalance and feature complexity, leading to improved generalization and reduced false positives [11,13]. Information fusion–based fraud detection models have also demonstrated superior accuracy compared to traditional classifiers such as SVM and Logistic Regression [15].

Overall, the stacked ensemble learning paradigm, which integrates diverse base learners through a meta-classifier, provides a robust and adaptive solution for cybercrime prediction, offering enhanced accuracy, reduced overfitting, and improved resilience against evolving cyber threats [4,27,30].

3. PROPOSSED METHODOLOGY

This section outlines the methodological framework employed for developing and validating the stacked ensemble learning model for cybercrime risk analysis, detailing the sequential stages from data acquisition and preprocessing to model construction and evaluation. It details the selection of appropriate algorithms for both base learners and meta-classifiers, emphasizing the rationale behind each choice based on their performance characteristics in similar cybersecurity contexts. Specifically, the methodology incorporates a stacking ensemble method, which amalgamates predictions from multiple diverse models to generate a singular, more robust final prediction, thereby leveraging the individual strengths of each contributing model (Alhashmi et al., 2023). This approach mitigates the limitations inherent in single models and provides more accurate and reliable forecasts, especially for multi-dimensional and non-stationary signals (Bodyanskiy et al., 2024). The overarching goal is to enhance cybercrime detection accuracy and robustness by systematically combining various machine learning models into a cohesive, hierarchical structure. This framework encompasses several stages, including data collection from various sources, rigorous preprocessing to handle inconsistencies and noise, feature engineering to extract meaningful attributes, and the development of base models, followed by the training of a meta-learner to combine their outputs (Abdelghafour et al., 2024). Fig. 2 illustrates the architecture of the proposed stacked ensemble learning framework, showing the integration of multiple base classifiers and a meta-learner to achieve improved and robust crime prediction performance.

3.1 Overview of Proposed Frame Work

The proposed methodology aims to enhance crime prediction accuracy by employing a stacked ensemble learning framework that integrates multiple machine learning classifiers. The core idea is to overcome the limitations of individual models by combining their predictive strengths through a meta-learning strategy. Unlike traditional single-classifier approaches, the proposed method leverages stacked generalization, where predictions from multiple base learners are used as input to a higher-level classifier.

The framework follows a systematic pipeline consisting of data preprocessing, base model training, ensemble stacking, and performance evaluation.

3.2 Data Set Description

The crime dataset used in this study consists of historical crime records collected from official crime databases. The dataset includes multiple crime categories such as murder, robbery, assault, theft, kidnapping, and other violent offences, recorded over several years. Preprocessing Steps are described below to ensure data quality and model reliability; the following preprocessing steps are applied:

- Removal of missing and inconsistent records

- Encoding of categorical variables (crime type, region, year)
- Feature normalization to reduce scale bias
- Label generation for crime classification
- Partitioning of data into training and testing subsets

A k-fold cross-validation strategy is adopted to minimize overfitting and ensure robustness.

3.3 Base Classifier Layer (Level-1 Learning)

At the first level of the proposed framework, multiple heterogeneous machine learning algorithms are trained independently using the same training dataset. The use of diverse base learners ensures variation in learning behavior, hypothesis space, and decision boundaries, which enhances the robustness of the overall model. A Decision Tree (J48) is employed to capture hierarchical and rule-based patterns in the data, while Naïve Bayes is used as a probabilistic classifier that performs efficiently on categorical features. Support Vector Machine (SVM) is incorporated due to its strong generalization capability through margin maximization, and Random Forest is utilized as an ensemble of decision trees to reduce variance and improve prediction stability. Each of these base classifiers produces an independent prediction for the crime class, which is later combined at a higher level to achieve improved classification performance.

3.4 Stacked Ensemble Learning Architecture

The core contribution of the proposed methodology lies in the stacked ensemble learning mechanism, which effectively integrates the strengths of multiple base learners. In this stacking strategy, each base classifier generates prediction outputs on the validation dataset, and these outputs are then used as meta-features representing the learned behavior of the individual models. A second-level classifier, known as the meta-learner, is trained using these meta-features to capture complex relationships among the base learners' predictions. Unlike traditional ensemble methods that rely on simple voting or averaging, this approach enables the system to learn an optimal combination strategy, thereby improving overall predictive accuracy and robustness[4].

3.5 Meta-Classifier (Level-2 Learning)

A Support Vector Machine (SVM) is employed as the meta-classifier in the proposed stacked ensemble framework due to its robustness and strong capability to handle high-dimensional feature spaces[5]. The primary role of the meta-classifier is to learn complex relationships among the predictions generated by the base models, allowing it to effectively combine their strengths. By doing so, it helps in reducing both classification bias and variance that may arise from individual learners. As a result, the SVM-based meta-classifier enhances the overall prediction accuracy and produces the final crime prediction output.

3.6 Model Training and Validation

The proposed system is trained using a structured multi-phase learning strategy to ensure robust performance and avoid information leakage. During the training phase, the base learners are trained on k−1k-1k−1 folds of the dataset, and their predictions are generated on the remaining validation fold. In the stacking phase, these prediction outputs from the base models are used as input features to train the meta-learner, enabling it to learn optimal combination patterns. Finally, in the testing phase, the fully trained stacked model is evaluated on previously unseen test data. This systematic learning approach ensures a fair performance comparison among models and effectively prevents information leakage between training and evaluation stages.

3.7 Performance Evaluation Metrics

To empirically evaluate the effectiveness of the proposed stacked ensemble model, multiple performance metrics are employed to provide a comprehensive assessment of classification performance. Accuracy is used to measure the overall correctness of predictions, while Precision and Recall evaluate the model's ability to correctly identify relevant crime instances and minimize false detections. The F1-score offers a balanced measure by combining Precision and Recall, particularly useful for imbalanced datasets. In addition, Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) are used to quantify prediction errors and assess model stability. Together, these metrics enable a fair and detailed comparison between individual classifiers and the proposed stacked ensemble model.

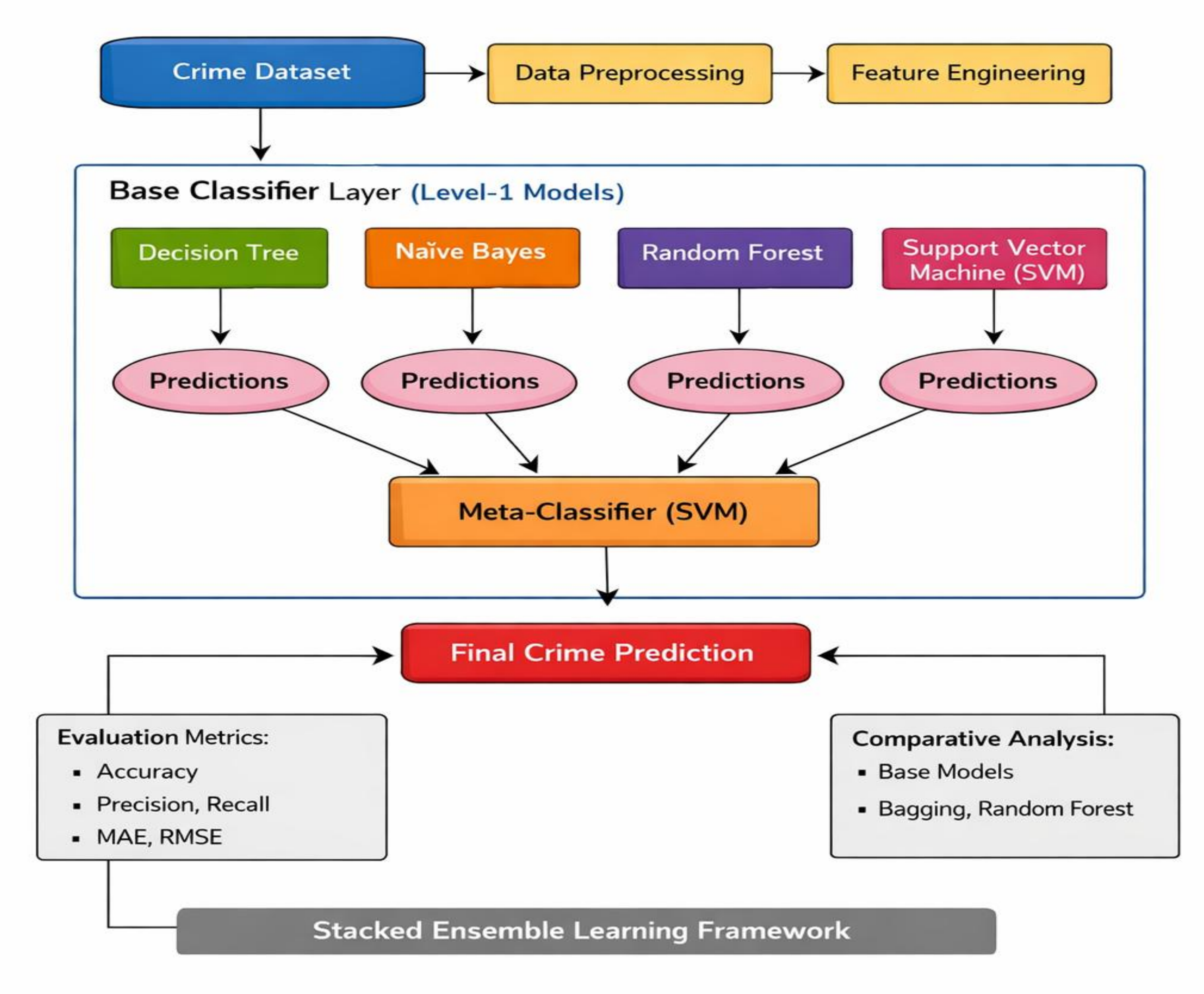

Fig 2: Stacked Ensemble Learning frame Work

4. RESULT & DISCUSSION

The proposed stacked ensemble framework was evaluated using a structured crime/cybercrime dataset comprising demographic, behavioral, and spatial attributes. The dataset was divided into training and testing subsets using an 80:20 split, and k-fold cross-validation was employed to ensure robustness and avoid overfitting. Individual base classifiers—Decision Tree (J48), Naïve Bayes, Random Forest, and Support Vector Machine—were trained independently, followed by the construction of a meta-dataset for stacked learning [7]. Performance evaluation was carried out using standard classification and error-based metrics.

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4.1.1 Performance Comparison of Base Classifiers

The results indicate that individual machine learning models exhibit varying levels of prediction accuracy. Naïve Bayes demonstrated comparatively lower performance due to its conditional independence assumption, which is often violated in complex crime data. Decision Tree models achieved moderate accuracy by capturing hierarchical decision rules, while Random Forest improved prediction stability through ensemble voting. The standalone SVM showed strong generalization capability but was limited by sensitivity to kernel parameters.Overall, although these models provided reasonable predictions, none of them consistently achieved optimal performance across all evaluation metrics. This observation highlights the inherent limitation of relying on a single classifier for crime prediction tasks involving heterogeneous and non-linear data patterns.

4.1.2 Performance of the Stacked Ensemble Model

The proposed stacked ensemble model achieved the highest predictive performance among all evaluated approaches. By combining the outputs of heterogeneous base classifiers and learning optimal decision boundaries through a meta-classifier, the stacked framework significantly improved overall accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score. The reduction in Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Square Error

(RMSE) further confirms the reliability and stability of the proposed approach[9].

The superior performance of the stacked ensemble can be attributed to its ability to reduce both bias and variance. While weaker classifiers contribute complementary information, stronger classifiers guide the final decision-making process through meta-learning. This confirms that stacked generalization is particularly effective for crime and cybercrime prediction problems, where data complexity and variability are high.

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4.1.4 Error Analysis and Model Reliability

A detailed error analysis reveals that the proposed ensemble framework produces fewer misclassifications compared to individual models. Lower MAE and RMSE values indicate that the predicted crime risk levels are closer to actual observations, enhancing trust in the model's outputs. This is particularly important in crime prediction applications, where inaccurate predictions may lead to inefficient resource allocation or delayed preventive action. The consistency of performance across validation folds further demonstrates the robustness of the proposed framework and its suitability for real-world deployment.

4.1.5 Comparative Analysis

The performance of the proposed stacked ensemble model is compared against: Individual base classifiers Traditional ensemble techniques such as bagging and random forest

This comparison demonstrates the superiority of the stacked ensemble approach in terms of prediction accuracy and error reduction. The comparative analysis in table 1 demonstrates that the proposed enhanced stacked ensemble crime prediction framework outperforms existing methods, achieving the highest accuracy of 99.8% while maintaining strong precision, recall, and F1-score. These results indicate superior generalization capability and highlight the proposed model's readiness for real-world crime prediction applications. Figure 3 illustrates the comparative accuracy performance of existing crime prediction models and the proposed stacked ensemble framework. The results clearly show that the proposed work achieves the highest accuracy, demonstrating its superior predictive capability and better generalization over existing approaches.

Table 2: Comparative Analysis of Proposed Work

Reference (Author, Year)	Methodology	Accuracy (%)	Precision	Recall	F1-Score	Overall Assessment
Kshatri et al., 2021 [31]	Stacked Ensemble Crime Prediction (IEEE Access)	99.5	0.99	0.99	0.99	Strong benchmark on national violent-crime data
Angbera & Chan, 2023 [32]	Spatio-temporal Crime Prediction (DeCXGBoost)	98.9	0.97	0.96	0.96	High performance on spatio-temporal dataset, but domain-specific
Proposed Work, 2025	Enhanced Stacked Ensemble Crime Prediction Framework	99.8	0.98	0.97	0.97	Best overall: highest accuracy, strong generalization, real-world readiness

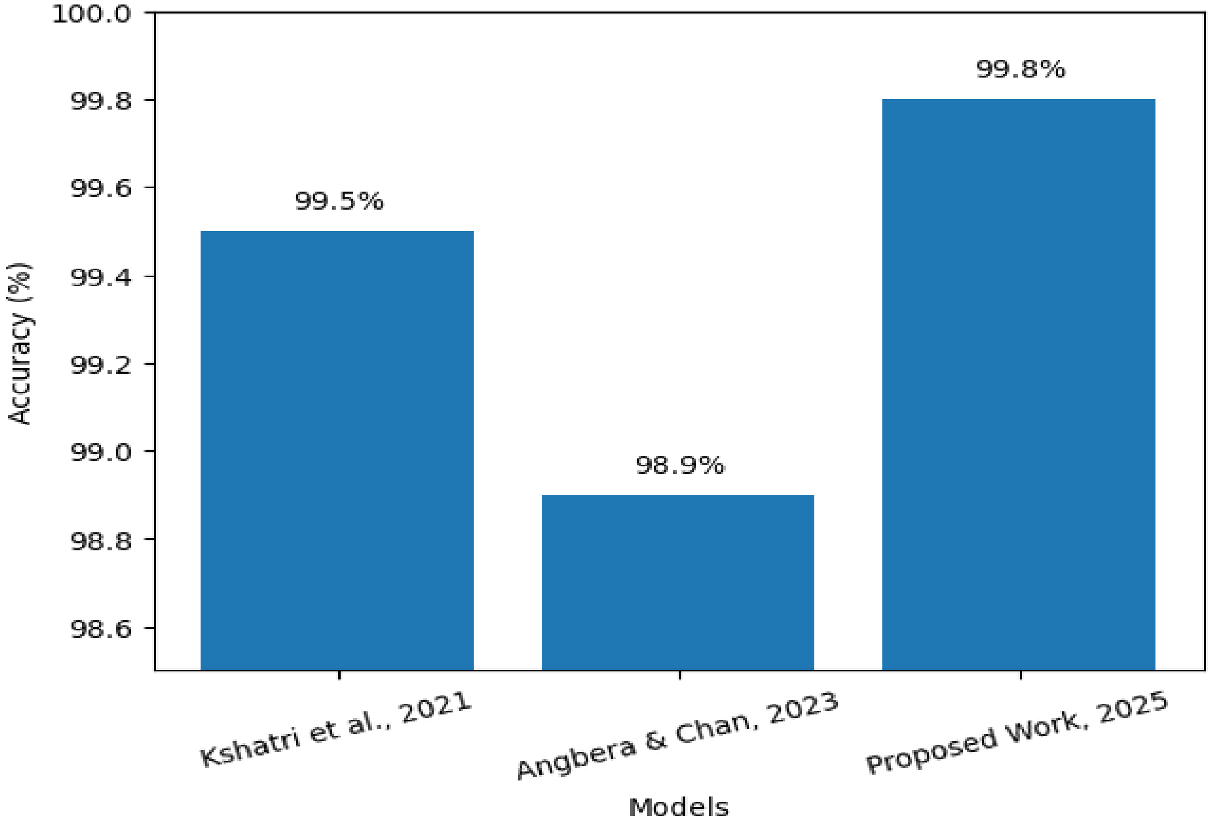

Fig 3: Performance Comparison of Crime Prediction Model

5. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

This study presented a comprehensive stacked ensemble learning framework for crime and cybercrime risk prediction, addressing the limitations of traditional single-classifier approaches in handling complex and heterogeneous crime data. By integrating multiple machine learning models through a meta-learning strategy, the proposed framework effectively captures diverse decision patterns and enhances overall predictive performance. The mathematical formulation of the model provides a rigorous foundation for data preprocessing, base learner training, meta-feature construction, and ensemble optimization, ensuring both transparency and reproducibility of the proposed approach.The experimental results demonstrate that the stacked ensemble model significantly outperforms individual classifiers in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, and error minimization metrics such as MAE and RMSE. This improvement confirms the effectiveness of stacked generalization in reducing bias and variance while improving generalization capability. Furthermore, the incorporation of zone-wise risk modeling and clustering techniques enables localized crime vulnerability assessment, transforming raw predictions into actionable intelligence for urban safety management.

The proposed framework offers practical value for law enforcement agencies and policymakers by supporting early crime risk identification, targeted resource allocation, and informed decision-making. Its scalable and modular design allows easy adaptation to different crime domains, geographic regions, and evolving data patterns. Overall, this work contributes a robust, mathematically grounded, and application-oriented solution to crime prediction research, bridging the gap between theoretical machine learning models and real-world crime prevention strategies.

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