

# 📱 Droid: A Resource Suite for AI-Generated Code Detection

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## Abstract

We present **DroidCollection**<sup>1 2</sup>, the most extensive open data suite for training and evaluating machine-generated code detectors, comprising over a million code samples, seven programming languages, outputs from 43 coding models, and three real-world coding domains. Alongside fully AI-generated examples, our collection includes human-AI co-authored code, as well as adversarial examples explicitly crafted to evade detection. Subsequently, we develop **DroidDetect**, a suite of encoder-only detectors trained using a multi-task objective over DroidCollection. Our experiments show that existing detectors' performance fails to generalise to diverse coding domains and programming languages outside of their narrow training data. We further demonstrate that while most detectors are easily compromised by humanising the output distributions using superficial prompting and alignment approaches, this problem can be easily amended by training on a small number of adversarial examples. Finally, we demonstrate the effectiveness of metric learning and uncertainty-based resampling as way to enhance detector training on possibly noisy distributions.

## 1 Introduction

In recent years, language models (LMs) for code generation (Code-LMs) have become a near-indispensable accessory in a developer's toolbox. Their enhancement of productivity has proliferated into most of the software development lifecycle, including automating unit test generation (Jain et al., 2025), code infilling (Bavarian et al., 2022), predicting build errors, and code refactoring, *inter alia*, propelling their broad adoption in production (Dunay et al., 2024; Froemmgen et al., 2024; Murali et al., 2024).

<sup>1</sup> 🐾 <https://huggingface.co/collections/project-droid/droid-683360d8b008214a4273099a>

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However, the code authoring and refinement abilities of these models present issues with respect to domains where the human authorship of the generated artefacts is paramount and the consequences of limited human supervision are of concern.

Despite the well-documented productivity benefits of using AI assistance for knowledge workers (Weber et al., 2024b; Li et al., 2023a), there exists a wide range of scenarios where ensuring the human authorship of artefacts is vital, resulting in the need for robust detectors of machine-assisted code. For instance, in academia, students' reliance on LMs for assignments undermines educational integrity, since students persist in using them even while recognizing that such use constitutes cheating (Sullivan et al., 2023). Similarly, conducting technical hiring fairly and human code annotation studies accurately requires the ability to ensure that the submitted artefacts are authentically human-authored (Veselovsky et al., 2023).

The subtle failure patterns in the outputs of code LMs demonstrate the need for strong detection mechanisms as part of the workflow in order to safeguard against unforeseen side effects. For instance, machine-generated code can introduce serious vulnerabilities (*e.g.*, insecure logic, hidden backdoors, or injection flaws), which can jeopardise software reliability (Bukhari, 2024) and data security (Pearce et al., 2025). It can also facilitate obfuscation, producing code that is harder to parse (Vaithilingam et al., 2022), thus effectively hiding malicious functionality and complicating debugging (Nunes et al., 2025). These weaknesses can get amplified over time, creating a dangerous feedback loop where (possibly deficient) AI-generated code enters public repositories and is leveraged for subsequent training runs, thus increasing the risk of degraded data quality (Ji et al., 2024) or, even worse, collapsing models (Shumailov et al., 2024).

Despite the increasing interest in detecting AI-generated code, most current work has notable limitations. Existing work usually covers fewer than three programming languages (Xu et al., 2025) and focuses on a narrow set of API-based code generators (Yang et al., 2023). Moreover, detectors typically address the problem as a binary classification task: machine-generated vs. human-written code (Jawahar et al., 2020). This ignores common hybrid operating modes where code is co-authored by humans and LMs or adversarial scenarios where models are prompted or tuned to evade detection (Abassy et al., 2024).

Our work addresses these limitations with a comprehensive and scalable approach to AI-generated code detection. Our contributions are as follows:

- We compile and open-source *DroidCollection*, an extensive suite of multi-way classification data for training and evaluating AI-generated code detectors. *DroidCollection* contains over 1 million instances sampled from 43 LMs (spanning 11 model families), 7 programming languages, and multiple coding domains.
- We propose a novel task: detection of code generated by adversarially trained LMs, which mimics intentional obfuscation and evasion behaviours. To this end, we compile and release *DroidCollection-Pref*, a preference corpus of 157k response pairs designed to encourage language models to produce responses that closely resemble those of humans.
- We open-source *DroidDetect-Base* and *DroidDetect-Large*, two state-of-the-art AI-generated code detectors fine-tuned from ModernBERT (Warner et al., 2024) Base (149M), and Large (396M) models, respectively, using *DroidCollection*.
- We conduct extensive out-of-distribution performance analysis across languages, coding domains and detection settings. Our evaluation results demonstrate that there is positive transfer across related programming languages (Martini, 2015) and across domains. We also find that most existing models struggle when tasked with detecting machine-refined code and are almost entirely unusable against adversarially humanised model-generated code. However, we show that this can be rectified by incorporating modest amounts of such data during training.

## 2 Related Work

We briefly outline three relevant lines of existing work: 1) AI-generated text detection, 2) AI-generated code detection, and 3) adversarial evasion of AI-generated content detectors.

### 2.1 AI-Generated Text Detection

Early research on synthetic data detection has focused on detecting AI-generated text in specific, fundamental tasks such as question answering (Guo et al., 2023), translation, summarisation and paraphrasing (Su et al., 2023). Major early contributions to creating comprehensive benchmarks include M4 (Wang et al., 2024), which introduced a multilingual, multi-generator and multi-domain benchmark consisting of 122,000 human-written and machine-generated texts. MULTiTDE (Macko et al., 2023) featured a multilingual dataset with over 70,000 samples of AI and human-written texts across 11 languages. Additionally, MAGE (Li et al., 2024) concentrated on English-only scenarios, but emphasised evaluating model robustness by testing across eight distinct out-of-domain settings to simulate real-world scenarios. The advancement of this field has been further stimulated by numerous competitions and shared tasks dedicated to AI-generated text detection, including RuATD (Shamardina et al., 2022), a shared task at COLING’2025 (Wang et al., 2025), a shared task at ALTA (Mollá et al., 2024), and DagPap (Chamezopoulos et al., 2024).

Tools such as MOSS (Puryear and Sprint, 2022) have shown some effectiveness in identifying AI-generated code, since their style is out of the ordinary distributions of student solutions. However, Pan et al. (2024) and JianWang et al. (2024) have shown that detectors such as GPT-Zero often fail when applied to code rather than text. This critical observation, backed up by our experiments in Section 4, highlights the inadequacy of directly porting generic text-based models to the code domain and strongly motivates the creation of code-specific detection strategies and specialised datasets. Our work responds to this need by providing a large-scale, multifaceted suite specifically curated for AI-generated code, designed to foster the development and rigorous testing of detection techniques attuned to the unique characteristics of programming languages and AI-generated software.

## 2.2 AI-Generated Code Detection

Early attempts at AI-generated code detection using decision tree learning methods, such as [Idalu et al. \(2024\)](#) and [Li et al. \(2023b\)](#), demonstrated that code-level statistics (e.g., number of lines, Abstract Syntax Tree (AST) depth, identifier length) can serve as reliable indicators of authorship. However, more sophisticated detection requires a more involved feature engineering, which is best performed using deep learning methods ([Tulchinskii et al., 2023](#)). Thus, recent efforts have mainly focused on training text-based LMs to detect AI-generated code. A common approach in existing work, such as GPTSniffer ([Nguyen et al., 2024](#)) and GPT-Sensor ([Xu et al., 2025](#)) is to extract human-written functions from the CodeSearchNet dataset ([Husain et al., 2019](#)) and then to prepare machine-generated counterparts to them using ChatGPT. Although similar in their dataset construction, these two works differ in modelling. GPTSniffer uses a multi-class classification loss, whereas GPT-Sensor applies a cosine similarity-based loss to better separate the embeddings of AI-generated and human-written code, aiming at learning more discriminative representations.

To address the overdependence on CodeSearchNet in prior work, [Orel et al. \(2025\)](#) source additional code from LeetCode and CodeForces. They evaluated a wide range of locally deployable LMs as code generators and provided a systematic analysis of out-of-distribution (OOD) detection performance across different settings. Importantly, they go beyond binary classification by introducing more nuanced scenarios, such as collaborative (or hybrid) settings where LMs complete or rewrite human-written programs.

CodeMirage ([Guo et al., 2025](#)), another benchmark released concurrently with ours, also includes rewritten code. However, these works lack diversity in terms of generators: CoDet-M4 covers only 5 generators, while CodeMirage covers 10. Furthermore, they overlook the importance of diverse sampling strategies in the detection of machine-generated codes and do not consider more adversarial settings where the model-generated code is artificially humanised. Our work builds upon and extends the progress of previous works by further increasing the scale and diversity: we incorporate three distinct domains – competitive programming solutions (e.g., LeetCode), open-source GitHub repositories, and code from research papers.

We use 43 generative models, and cover seven programming languages. Notably, unlike CoDet-M4 or CodeMirage, our dataset is the first in this domain to systematically integrate diverse sampling strategies using varied generation settings and adversarial data generation scenarios.

## 2.3 Adversarial Evasion of AI-Generated Content Detectors

Although specialized detectors for AI-generated code can be effective against honest actors, their straightforward training on machine-generated and machine-refined data makes them vulnerable to adversarially perturbed or humanised text, modified to evade detection ([He et al., 2024](#); [Masrour et al., 2025](#)). Currently, RAID ([Dugan et al., 2024](#)), one of the most extensive benchmarks in AI-generated text detection, is notable in being one of the few efforts exploring adversarial detection settings with various attack methods such as paraphrasing and synonym substitution. Our work in AI-generated code detection builds upon this important aspect. We extend this focus to the code modality by incorporating a diverse set of adversarial attack scenarios specifically engineered to challenge detectors. Moreover, we move beyond the language manipulations considered by RAID to address the possibilities of adversarial training using targeted mining of paired preference data and a dedicated collection of adversarial prompting, which are all aspects that are vital for assessing detector robustness under more challenging conditions.

## 3 The DroidCollection Corpus

We compare our dataset with existing ones in Table 1, which shows that our dataset is not only among the largest to date, but also captures a broader range of variations. Additional details about key characteristics are provided in Appendix B.3. In this section, we detail the curation of the human-generated, machine-generated, and machine-refined splits of DroidCollection. The adversarially humanised data collection is deferred to Section 3.4.

### 3.1 Human-Authored Code Acquisition

In order to build the dataset, we collected human-written samples from multiple sources, covering C++/C, C#, Go, Java, JavaScript and Python languages. Then, we generated code, using base and instruction-tuned LLMs from eleven model families.

Name	Size	Supported Domains	No. of Models	Supported Languages	Varied Sampling	Machine Refined Data	Adversarially Humanized Data
GPT-Sniffer (Nguyen et al., 2024)	7.4k	1	1	1	✗	✗	✗
CodeGPTSensor (Xu et al., 2025)	1.1M	1	1	2	✗	✗	✗
Whodunit (Idialu et al., 2024)	1.6k	1	1	1	✗	✗	✗
CoDet-M4 (Orel et al., 2025)	501K	2	5	3	✗	✓	✗
CodeMirage (Guo et al., 2025)	210k	1	10	10	✗	✓	✗
<b>DroidCollection</b>	<b>1.06M</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>

Table 1: Comparison of DroidCollection to other AI-generated code detection datasets shows broader domain and model coverage, as well as unique inclusion of varied sampling strategies and adversarially humanized data.

We experimented with Llama (Grattafiori et al., 2024), CodeLlama, GPT-4o, Qwen (Qwen et al., 2024), IBM Granite (Mishra et al., 2024), Yi (AI et al., 2024), DeepSeek (Guo et al., 2024), Phi (Abdin et al., 2024), Gemma (Gemma et al., 2024), Mistral (AI, 2025), Starcoder (Li et al., 2023c). The list of generators per model family is detailed in Appendix A. Our dataset covers three domains: general use code, algorithmic problems, and research/data-science code.

**General Use Code** This type of code is normally deployed for disparate use cases such as web serving, firmware, game engines, etc. These are largely hosted on GitHub, and mainly obtained from StarcoderData (Li et al., 2023c), and The Vault (Nguyen et al., 2023) datasets.

**Algorithmic Problems** This category contains code solutions to competitive programming problems – algorithmic challenges designed to test problem-solving skills, commonly featured in competitions. These are retrieved from multiple sources such as TACO (Li et al., 2023d), CodeNet (Puri et al., 2021) (mainly AtCoder<sup>3</sup> and AIZU<sup>4</sup> platforms), LeetCode and CodeForces, from the work of Orel et al. (2025). Its primary distinguishing feature is its tendency to contain simple and self-contained routines.

**Research Code** This data subset is sourced from the code repositories of research papers, collected in ObscuraCoder (Paul et al., 2025). To enrich the variety, we further augmented it with mathematical and data science code from the work of Lu et al. (2025). Compared to production or educational code, this subset is less structured, with minimal modularity, a predominance of procedural styles, and extensive comments about experiments, results, or even the authors’ institutional affiliations.

<sup>3</sup><https://atcoder.jp/>

<sup>4</sup><https://onlinejudge.u-aizu.ac.jp/home>

### 3.2 AI-Authored Code Generation

**Generation via Inverse Instruction** Since the data from sources such as CodeNet and StarcoderData do not contain any instructions, we decided to apply inverse instructions to transform code from these datasets into instructions, which can be used to prompt LMs. In our case, the method of preparing inverse instructions was similar to that described in InverseCoder (Wu et al., 2025): we passed the code snippets to an LM, asking it to build a summary, and a step-by-step instruction that can be given to an LM to generate a similar code. The main difference between our approach and that of InverseCoder is that we sought to minimise the costs of the generation and did not split the summarisation and instruction generation into separate LM calls. However, in cases where a summary could be extracted from the response but the instruction could not, we used the summary to regenerate the instruction. This experiment with details about the prompts and the models we used is illustrated in Appendix B.1. This type of generation allows us to cover a wide range of prompts, simulating a diversity of user-LM interactions, which is common in the real world.

**Generation Based on Comments** Some of the data sources used in our study provide docstrings (The Vault Class and Function) or comments (The Vault Inline) that describe the given code. In this case, we mainly used base models, which were prompted with the first line of code and the docstring or comment for generation. Instruct models were given only the docstring and a task to implement the desired class or function.

**Generation Based on a Task** The examples from platforms with algorithmic problems mainly come with a precise task description or a problem statement. In this case, we only used the description to prompt the LMs for generation.

**Unconditional Synthetic Data** This data is not conditioned on prior human generations. The rationale behind this is that the machine-generated data used to train the majority of AI-generated content detectors is acquired in a biased manner. It usually involves completing incomplete human-written samples or responding to prompts conditioned on existing human generations. This bias, though rather subtle, leads to a situation where detectors are only exposed to the kinds of synthetic data that are easiest for the models to learn (Su et al., 2025). Hence, we seek to obtain synthetic data that is not conditioned on prior human generations. Following prior work<sup>5</sup>, we create synthetic user profiles on which we condition coding tasks and, in turn, the final generated code.

To explore how large language models can simulate the behaviour profiles of real programmers, we took inspiration from the PersonaHub dataset (Ge et al., 2024). We first generated a diverse set of programmer profiles, and then used an LM to create programming tasks that can typically be performed by programmers of such types. These tasks, along with their corresponding descriptions, termed DroidCollection-Personas, were then used to generate code samples. More details about the DroidCollection-Personas are outlined in the Appendix B.2.

### 3.3 Machine-Refined Data

In practice, purely AI-generated code is rare. Developers typically collaborate with LMs, starting with human-written code and asking the model to modify or extend it. This makes binary classification (human vs. machine) insufficient for real-world scenarios. Instead, introducing a third class to capture human-LLM collaboration, as proposed by Orel et al. (2025), offers a more realistic and useful approach.

To generate such samples, we designed three scenarios: (i) *Human-to-LLM continuation*: A human initiates the code, and the LM completes it. We simulated this by preserving the first  $N\%$  ( $N \in [10, 85]$ ) of the code lines and asking the model to complete the rest. (ii) *Gap filling*: The model generates a missing middle segment given the beginning and end; (iii) *Code rewriting*: The LM is asked to rewrite human-authored code, either with no specific prompt or with an instruction to optimise it.

<sup>5</sup><https://huggingface.co/blog/cosmopedia>

### 3.4 Adversarial Samples

With the development of advanced post-training techniques such as PPO (Schulman et al., 2017), DPO (Rafailov et al., 2023), and GRPO (Shao et al., 2024), it has become possible to set up the training in adversarial ways that enable language models to evade AI-generated code detectors. Prior work by Shi et al. (2024) and Sadasivan et al. (2023) has shown that LM-generated content detectors are vulnerable to adversarial attacks and spoofing. This motivated us to include adversarial examples in DroidCollection in order to improve model robustness.

To this end, we introduce two types of adversarial attacks: prompt-based attacks and preference-tuning-based attacks. In the prompt-based setting, we construct adversarial prompts by instructing the model to “write like a human” in multiple ways, relying on the models’ parametric knowledge of how to produce outputs that mimic human-authored code and thus challenge detection systems. In the preference-tuning-based setting, we curate DroidCollection-Pref, a dataset of 157K paired examples consisting of human-written and LM-generated code responses to the same prompt. Using DroidCollection-Pref, we train LMs with up to 9B parameters – including LLaMA, Qwen, and Yi – using LoRA (Hu et al., 2022) with rank 128 and DPO for two epochs. These models’ output distributions are, in effect, steered towards preferring human-like code, making them less likely to contain the stylistic features of machine-generated code. Once trained, the models are used to generate new “machine-humanised” code samples. We filter their outputs in the same was as described in Section 3.6 to keep only high-quality adversarial examples that are in the same distribution as the rest of the data. Finally, we obtained a nearly 1:1 ratio of prompt-based vs. preference-tuning adversarial attacks.

### 3.5 Varying Decoding Strategies

It was previously shown by Ippolito et al. (2020) that it is easier to detect AI-generated texts after greedy decoding compared to when other decoding techniques have been used. In order to capture this challenging behaviour and reflect the diversity of generative systems, we further experimented with a variety different decoding strategies, as shown in Table 2.

Strategy	Attribute	Range
Greedy Decoding	—	—
Sampling	Temperature	{0.1, 0.4, 0.7, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0}
	Top-k	{10, 50, 100}
Beam Search	Top-p	{1.0, 0.95, 0.9, 0.8}
	Beam Width	{2, 4, 6, 8}

Table 2: Decoding settings used for the AI-generated, AI-refined, and AI-humanised splits of DroidCollection.

### 3.6 Data Filtering

To ensure the quality of our DroidCollection dataset, we applied a series of filtering criteria, commonly used in other code-related works (Lozhkov et al., 2024; Li et al., 2023c; Paul et al., 2025). First, we removed code samples that could not be successfully parsed into an abstract-syntax tree (AST). We also filtered samples based on the AST depth, keeping only those with the depth between 2 and 31, to avoid too simple or too complex codes. We restricted each sample’s maximum line length to be between 12 and 400 characters, and the average line length to fall between 5 and 140 characters, and used only samples with between 6 and 300 lines of code. Moreover, we filtered samples according to the fraction of alphanumeric characters, retaining only those between 0.2 and 0.75, to avoid the usage of configs and auto-generated files. To ensure English documentation, we used the Lingua language detector<sup>6</sup> and retained only samples where the docstrings showed greater than 99% confidence of being English. Finally, we removed duplicate or near-duplicate samples; for this, we used Min-Hash (Broder, 1997), with a shingle size of 8 and a similarity threshold of 0.8.

Note that we did not filter out the human-written codes which were sourced after the coding copilots became popular. This means that there is a possibility that among human written codes there could be samples created with the help of LLMs. This potential issue is tackled in Section 5.

## 4 Detection Experiments

### 4.1 Experimental Setup

We begin by evaluating a diverse set of detectors in order to better understand the strengths and limitations of current approaches to identifying AI-generated code. Our evaluation includes several off-the-shelf detectors, which serve as zero-shot baselines, as well as models that have been fine-tuned on DroidCollection.

<sup>6</sup>GitHub: pemistahl/lingua-py

The baselines include models widely used in related papers: (i) **GPT-Sniffer** (Nguyen et al., 2024), a CodeBERT-based binary classifier for AI-Generated code detection; (ii) **CoDet-M4** (Orel et al., 2025), a UnixCoder model trained on outputs from multiple code generators; (iii) **M4 classifier** (Wang et al., 2024), for general AI-generated text detection; (iv) **Fast-DetectGPT** (Bao et al., 2024), a distribution-based zero-shot detector; and (v) **GPT-Zero**<sup>7</sup>, an API-based detector (as this API is paid, we evaluated it on a representative sample of 500 code snippets for each label-language and label-domain pair). Since most of these baselines use binary classification, we map our ternary labels (human-written, AI-generated, AI-refined) into binary targets for fair comparison.

Additionally, we train other models directly on our dataset using a multi-class objective: (i) a simple **GCN** (Kipf and Welling, 2017); (ii) a **CatBoost classifier** (Prokhorenkova et al., 2018), following procedures similar to the *Whodunit* paper; and (iii) two encoder-only transformers, ModernBERT-Base and ModernBERT-Large (Warner et al., 2024), denoted as  $\text{DroidDetect}_{\text{CLS}}\text{-Base}$  and  $\text{DroidDetect}_{\text{CLS}}\text{-Large}$ . Full details are provided in Appendices C.1 and C.2 and section 5.

### 4.2 RQ1: What is the Value of Extensive Data Collection for Training Robust Detectors?

Table 1 highlights a key limitation of existing datasets: they often lack *diversity*. Tables 3 and 4 show that this limitation significantly impacts detector performance in realistic settings. Baseline detectors - the ones illustrated in Zero-Shot Baselines section of the tables - underperform on our test split compared to even simple fine-tuned baselines like GCN and CatBoost. Among the baselines evaluated, zero-shot Fast-DetectGPT consistently yields strong performance across both languages and domains, outperforming all other baselines. In contrast, pre-trained models usually perform well only on languages and domains that are closely aligned with their original training data. This highlights the limitations of previously collected datasets, which do not cover the diversity of generations in DroidCollection, and hence are far from being useful in real-life scenarios.

The Full Training section shows Zero-Shot Baselines trained on DroidCollection, surpassing GCN and CatBoost but not  $\text{DroidDetect}_{\text{CLS}}$ .

<sup>7</sup><https://gptzero.me/>

Model		2-Class				3-Class			
		General	Algorithmic	Research/DS	Avg.	General	Algorithmic	Research/DS	Avg.
Zero-Shot Baselines	Fast-DetectGPT (Bao et al., 2024)	75.07	63.05	65.43	67.85	66.43	62.90	64.30	64.54
	CoDet-M4 (Orel et al., 2025)	53.41	44.63	65.43	54.49	41.90	46.06	55.43	47.80
	M4 (Wang et al., 2024)	50.17	57.91	44.67	50.92	56.46	58.13	51.21	55.27
	GPTSniffer (Nguyen et al., 2024)	54.25	36.85	32.10	41.07	45.22	31.75	39.88	38.95
	GPTZero	54.05	71.96	44.73	56.91	50.56	66.13	30.62	49.10
OOD Evaluation	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>General</sub>	99.30	53.73	76.46	76.50	93.05	46.22	76.99	72.09
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>Algorithmic</sub>	49.63	98.26	60.78	69.56	47.86	92.84	56.58	65.76
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>Research/DS</sub>	47.01	48.02	72.55	55.86	47.86	38.73	59.97	48.85
Fine-Tuned Baselines	GCN	78.57	60.61	67.79	68.99	56.85	46.91	51.13	51.63
	CatBoost	89.69	87.29	77.21	84.73	78.86	74.01	64.07	72.31
Full Training	M4 <sub>FT</sub>	92.99	89.36	73.99	85.45	80.98	80.72	58.80	73.50
	GPT-Sniffer <sub>FT</sub>	97.72	96.52	80.46	91.56	89.42	88.12	70.72	82.75
	CoDet-M4 <sub>FT</sub>	98.89	98.23	83.77	93.63	85.46	90.41	73.88	83.25
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base	99.22	98.22	87.57	95.00	92.78	93.05	74.46	86.76
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Large	<b>99.38</b>	<b>98.39</b>	<b>93.24</b>	<b>97.00</b>	<b>93.08</b>	<b>92.86</b>	<b>80.42</b>	<b>88.78</b>

Table 3: Comparison of models in 2-Class (human- vs machine-generated) and 3-Class (human- vs machine-generated vs machine-refined) classification setups across programming languages in terms of weighted F1-score. In the OOD section, we show models trained on each domain individually. FT subscript in Full Training section means that this model was fine-tuned on DroidCollection. The best results are shown in **bold**.

DroidDetect<sub>CLS</sub> models trained on our extensive training split consistently outperform all baselines, achieving near-ideal scores in both binary and ternary tasks. Notably, the larger backbone (DroidDetect<sub>CLS</sub>-Large) dominates across all settings, demonstrating that both model size and diverse training data are crucial for high classification performance.

#### 4.3 RQ2: How Well Do Models Generalise in OOD Settings?

We evaluated the DroidDetect<sub>CLS</sub>-Base backbone in OOD settings under *language shift* and *domain shift* conditions: training it on a single programming language or domain. Comparing the multi-domain and the multi-lingual performance of the baselines to our backbone models trained in such restricted conditions allows us (*i*) to uncover possible shortcomings in the training data curation process of popular baseline models, as they can be compared head-to-head to both the split-specific and fully-trained variants of our backbone, and (*ii*) to assess the inherent ease with which models are robust to transfer along these settings, by-proxy outlining the value of extensive training data curation. We selected the base version of the backbone for this restricted training scenario since it was comparable to most of the chosen baselines in terms of its size.

Table 4 shows that, under restricted training conditions, models tend to generalise better to syntactically similar languages. For example, a model trained on C/C++ performs reasonably well on C# and Java.

However, for typologically isolated languages such as Python or JavaScript, all models not trained specifically for it tend to struggle in this setting. Table 3 illustrates that the models trained on a single domain have a high discrepancy in scores for other domains. For example, as can be seen in the OOD Evaluation section, the classifiers trained on algorithmic problems suffer with the general codes, and show comparable low performance on Research/DS codes, and vice versa.

#### 4.4 RQ3: How Robust are Models to Adversarial Samples?

Finally, we test adversarial robustness using challenging samples designed to evade detection (Table 5). Here, many baseline detectors struggle: for instance, GPT-Zero achieves only 0.10 recall. M4 and CoDet-M4 show higher recall on adversarial samples but also have high false positives, misclassifying human-written code. Interestingly, fine-tuning on DroidCollection also improves the recall of baselines for human-written cases. Remarkably, the recall of M4 on adversarial cases drops from 0.73 to 0.67, while the recall on human-written cases increases significantly from 0.40 to 0.91. A similar pattern is observed for CoDet-M4, while for GPT-Sniffer, both scores increase.

In contrast, DroidDetect<sub>CLS</sub>-Base, trained with explicit exposure to such samples, maintains strong performance with a recall above 0.9. This shows that training on diverse, adversarially crafted examples further enhances robustness and reduces susceptibility to trivial evasion strategies.

Model	2-Class							3-Class							
	C/C++	C#	Go	Java	Python	JS	Avg.	C/C++	C#	Go	Java	Python	JS	Avg.	
Zero-Shot Baselines	Fast-DetectGPT (Bao et al., 2024)	81.33	72.77	81.16	76.03	73.60	74.59	76.58	77.85	66.37	72.73	69.45	70.34	69.11	70.98
	CoDet-M4 (Orel et al., 2025)	61.12	50.68	19.66	56.15	58.75	41.44	47.97	53.81	40.74	18.28	45.26	53.51	36.09	41.28
	M4 (Wang et al., 2024)	62.22	40.73	57.59	48.39	61.47	64.44	52.81	65.33	50.38	60.49	56.25	61.21	53.64	57.92
	GPTSniffer (Nguyen et al., 2024)	63.02	48.90	79.89	40.30	38.34	45.94	52.40	64.18	42.29	76.19	34.94	34.94	47.22	49.96
OOD Evaluations	GPTZero	58.32	45.69	13.64	74.65	73.19	63.16	54.81	61.00	50.38	28.89	61.25	52.63	54.78	51.48
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>C/C++</sub>	98.98	96.59	67.32	96.97	74.45	91.15	87.58	92.62	81.67	56.43	79.45	56.43	69.72	72.72
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>C#</sub>	93.66	99.20	78.89	95.20	71.13	89.87	87.99	80.95	92.93	57.74	84.17	54.25	65.18	71.04
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>Go</sub>	93.33	86.00	98.94	89.97	71.45	88.72	88.07	80.74	63.61	92.93	74.18	50.38	65.37	71.20
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>Java</sub>	95.53	96.42	94.57	99.31	75.59	80.26	90.28	85.00	84.43	58.85	93.38	63.25	64.57	74.91
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>Python</sub>	80.27	85.48	82.28	88.80	98.85	86.62	86.75	67.59	75.56	53.70	79.31	93.08	69.96	73.20
Fine-Tuned Baselines	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base <sub>JS</sub>	95.76	97.38	75.27	96.45	68.98	97.80	88.61	87.96	87.58	52.78	86.32	60.78	89.67	77.52
	GCN	79.06	78.33	84.33	80.04	72.49	69.69	77.32	65.97	58.03	65.20	60.13	55.22	54.72	59.88
	CatBoost	94.00	91.20	90.57	92.26	89.51	82.55	90.02	84.57	81.32	81.54	82.42	78.15	70.98	78.83
	M4 <sub>FT</sub>	94.18	89.98	92.19	92.63	87.19	93.61	91.63	79.56	75.55	77.63	79.55	69.63	77.53	76.57
Full Training	GPT-Sniffer <sub>FT</sub>	97.64	97.36	97.33	97.96	95.07	97.94	97.22	85.14	85.75	85.78	86.97	79.02	88.28	85.16
	CoDet-M4 <sub>FT</sub>	99.36	99.22	99.31	99.04	98.28	99.24	99.08	89.98	88.94	89.73	91.70	85.80	91.46	89.60
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base	99.29	99.33	99.32	99.45	98.87	98.38	99.11	94.43	94.06	93.98	93.93	93.95	90.99	93.56
	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Large	99.31	99.51	99.32	99.45	99.11	98.67	99.23	94.24	93.87	94.42	94.05	94.13	91.27	93.66

Table 4: Comparison of models in 2-class (human- vs. machine-generated) vs. 3-class (human- vs. machine-generated vs. machine-refined) classification setups across programming languages in terms of weighted F1-score. In the OOD section, we train on each programming language individually. The best results are highlighted in **bold**.

	FastDetectGPT	GPTSniffer	M4	CoDet-M4	GPT-Zero	M4 <sub>FT</sub>	GPT-Sniffer <sub>FT</sub>	CoDet-M4 <sub>FT</sub>	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Base	DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> -Large
Human-written	0.84	0.65	<b>0.40</b>	0.38	0.53	0.91	0.97	0.96	0.93	<b>0.98</b>
Adversarial samples	0.48	0.49	0.73	0.63	0.10	0.67	0.55	0.51	<b>0.92</b>	0.92

Table 5: Recall for human-written vs. adversarial examples. The red cells show that despite having high recall on adversarial samples, M4 and CoDet-M4 struggle to detect human-written code. The best results are in **bold**.

## 5 Detector Training and Ablations

We conducted a series of ablation experiments starting from our DroidDetect<sub>CLS</sub> backbone to systematically identify the most effective model architecture and training strategy.

As an architectural ablation, we explore whether incorporating the structural representation of code could improve the detector’s performance. Specifically, we trained a 4-layer Graph Convolutional Network over the AST representation of codes to evaluate its ability to distinguish AI-generated from human-written code. The results are shown in Appendix C.1. We can see that while structural signals are informative, GCNs alone are not sufficient to achieve strong generalisation.

Next, we explored early fusion of textual and structural representations by combining a text encoder with a GCN encoder. For text encoding, we used the base (149M) and large (396M) variants of ModernBERT (Warner et al., 2024), a transformer pre-trained on natural language and code. This model was selected for inference efficiency (Warner et al., 2024) and suitability for code-related tasks. However, as shown in Appendix C.3, this fusion strategy yielded only a marginal or no improvement at all. Consequently, we decided to use a text-only encoder for the final model.

We then address the issue of class separability, which can arise because adversarial and refined code is similar to human-written code. We explore training our models using triplet loss (Hoffer and Ailon, 2015) in a supervised contrastive (Khosla et al., 2020) setup using the class labels. This metric-learning approach encourages the model to place samples of the same class closer to each other in the embedding space while pushing dissimilar samples apart, and it has been demonstrably effective in other detection scenarios that require high precision (Deng et al., 2019; Li and Li, 2024). We refer to these models as DroidDetect<sub>SCL</sub>. Table 6 demonstrates the small but consistent performance gain unlocked using metric learning.

Finally, we addressed the problem of noisy and mislabelled training data. Despite data filtering, it is possible that some code samples curated as human-written may have been generated by coding-copilots. The presence of such examples could negatively impact training. To address this, we applied MC Dropout (Hasan et al., 2022) to estimate the uncertainty of the model on the human-written portion of the training set. As a result, we identified that the top 7% most uncertain samples—those for which a pre-trained model exhibited low prediction confidence—and resampled the dataset, removing them.

Model Variant	2-class		3-class		4-class	
	Base	Large	Base	Large	Base	Large
DroidDetect	<b>99.18</b>	<b>99.25</b>	<b>94.36</b>	<b>95.17</b>	<b>92.95</b>	<b>94.30</b>
- Resampling [DroidDetect <sub>SC1</sub> ]	99.15	99.22	93.86	94.43	92.52	93.14
- Triplet Loss [DroidDetect <sub>CLS</sub> ]	99.14	99.18	90.51	94.07	89.63	92.65

Table 6: Weighted F1-score for DroidDetect across training ablations. The best results are shown in **bold**.

We then retrained the model on the remaining data, thereby getting rid of the influence of potentially mislabelled or ambiguous samples. This manner of self-bootstrapping datasets has an extensive track record in image (Yalniz et al., 2019; Xie et al., 2020) and text (Wang et al., 2022) representation learning, relying on the tendency of neural networks to understand patterns in clean labels before they overfit to noisy data (Feldman and Zhang, 2020). Incorporating this filtering into our training yielded our final DroidDetect models, which, as shown in Table 6, perform the best across the classification settings.

We trained all models for three epochs, using the AdamW (Loshchilov and Hutter, 2019) optimiser, setting the top learning rate to 5e-5, and applying the linear warmup (proportion 0.1) with a cosine decay learning rate scheduler. The batch size is 64 for DroidDetect-Base and 40 for DroidDetect-Large.

## 6 Conclusion and Future Work

We have presented DroidCollection, a new large and diverse suite of datasets that facilitate the training and evaluation of robust AI-generated code detectors. DroidCollection aims to support the most common modes of operation of LLM code copilots, i.e., for code completion and rewriting, as well as potentially adversarial use cases. Compared to previously existing openly available corpora for training AI-generated content detectors, DroidCollection offers the most exhaustive coverage with respect to number of generators, generation settings, programming languages, and number of domains covered. Based on DroidCollection, we further developed DroidDetect, a suite of AI-assisted code detection models in two sizes (base and large), compared them to existing models (which showed superior performance on variety of tasks), and conducted extensive ablation studies to evaluate which training strategies yield the most effective results for this task.

In future work, we plan to enhance the coverage of DroidCollection and the robustness of DroidDetect. We will incorporate code samples from more closed-source API-based generators, broadening the diversity of the code samples. We will also add generations from reasoning LMs to enhance the applicability of our detectors. Finally, we plan to expand language coverage to include languages such as PHP, Rust, and Ruby, thus making our benchmarks more representative.

## Limitations

**Corpus Updates and Coverage** Possessing a perfect coverage over all major models in the current fast-paced release environment is an intractable task. We acknowledge that the release of new model families with unseen output distributions presents a challenge for all AI-generated content detectors. Since we have mature pipelines for machine-generated, machine-refined and adversarially-humanised data acquisition, we plan to update DroidCollection with generations sourced from future model releases.

**Cost Effectiveness** Owing to cost realities, the majority of training samples in our study are sourced from locally deployable models. The high costs of API invocations are the primary reason why our study leaves data collection from recently released reasoning/thinking models such as Anthropic’s Claude 3.7, DeepSeek R1, and Google’s Gemini 2.5 for future work. For similar reasons, our evaluation of API-based detectors such as GPTZero was limited to a subset of the test set.

**Potential Data Contamination** In spite of the thorough curation and extensive filtering undertaken for DroidCollection, we acknowledge the possibility that a small number of AI-generated or AI-assisted code samples may still be mislabeled as human-authored, due to the inherent nature of the data sources used for the dataset construction. Seeking to limit the negative effects of mislabeled or noisy data, our work explores uncertainty-based dataset re-sampling using a pre-trained classifier, which we show to be effective in improving the model’s performance by identifying ambiguous samples to discard during training. In the released dataset, we include flags for code snippets identified as suspicious, enabling downstream users to apply additional filtering or analysis as needed.

## Ethics Statement

The human-written code samples in our dataset are sourced exclusively from publicly available code corpora vetted for appropriate licensing and PII removal. Additionally, all code generation was conducted in compliance with the terms of use of the respective model providers.

DroidDetect and DroidCollection aim to promote transparency in code authorship, especially in academic and research settings. While there is a risk that they could be misused to train models to evade detection, we strongly discourage any malicious or privacy-invasive applications.

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<b>B</b>	<b>Dataset Creation and Statistics</b>	
<b>B.1</b>	<b>Inverse Instructions Setup</b>	
	We follow LLMs for inverse instruction — GPT-4o-mini, Llama3.1 8B, Qwen2.5 7B, and Phi-3 Small (7B): prompting them with code to generate a summary and the prompt likely to produce it (see Listing 1).	
	<pre># Code Analysis and LLM Prompt Generation  You are an experienced software engineer using `language` programming language skilled in analyzing, summarizing, and writing code. When provided with code, you break it down into its constituent parts, summarize its functionality concisely, and create prompts to guide an LLM in replicating similar outputs.  ## Your Tasks: 1. **Code Summary**: Analyze the given code and summarize its purpose, logic, and functionality. Enclose this summary within [SUMMARY] and [/SUMMARY] tags. 2. **Prompt Creation**: Write a clear and specific LLM prompt that, if provided to a language model, would generate code with similar functionality and structure. Enclose the LLM prompt within [LLM_PROMPT] and [/LLM_PROMPT] tags. Interaction will be in the following way : ### INPUT: [CODE] {{code}} [/CODE]  ### OUTPUT: [SUMMARY] {{summary}} [/SUMMARY]  [LLM_PROMPT] {{prompt}} [/LLM_PROMPT]</pre>	
	Listing 1: Prompt for code analysis and LLM prompt generation.	

Model Family	Model
Yi	Yi-Coder-9B
	Yi-Coder-9B-Chat
	Yi-Coder-1.5B-Chat
	Yi-Coder-1.5B
GPT	GPT-4o-mini
	GPT-4o
Qwen	Qwen2.5-Coder-7B
	Qwen2.5-Coder-7B-Instruct
	Qwen2.5-Coder-1.5B-Instruct
	Qwen2.5-Coder-32B-Instruct
	Qwen2.5-72B-Instruct
	Qwen2.5-Coder-1.5B
	Qwen2.5-Coder-14B-Instruct
Gemma	codegemma-7b-it
	codegemma-7b
	codegemma-2b
CodeLlama	CodeLlama-70b-Instruct-hf
	CodeLlama-34b-Instruct-hf
	CodeLlama-7b-hf
Deepseek	deepseek-coder-6.7b-instruct
	deepseek-coder-6.7b-base
	deepseek-coder-1.3b-instruct
	deepseek-coder-1.3b-base
Granite	granite-8b-code-instruct-4k
	granite-8b-code-base-4k
Llama	Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct
	Llama-3.2-3B
	Llama-3.1-70B-Instruct
	Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct-Turbo
	Llama-3.2-1B
	Llama-3.1-8B
	Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct
Phi	Phi-3-small-8k-instruct
	Phi-3-mini-4k-instruct
	phi-4
	Phi-3-medium-4k-instruct
	phi-2
	Phi-3.5-mini-instruct
	Mistral-Small-24B-Instruct-2501
StarCoder	starcoder2-15B
	starcoder
	starcoder2-7b
	starcoder2-3b

Table 7: Model families and their selected models used in DroidCollection.

Examples of code and corresponding inverse instructions are shown in Tables 15 to 17.

## B.2 DroidCollection-Personas creation

To generate DroidCollection-Personas, we started by identifying the main characteristics of a programmer. Our final list contains 9 features: Primary Programming Language, Preferred Frameworks, Field of Work, Code Commenting Style, Error-Proneness, Debugging Strategies, Code Aesthetics, Documentation Habits, Function Length Preference. The possible values for each feature are listed in Table 8.

Then we did a Cartesian product to combine all the possible combinations of these properties, and started generating the tasks, which could be performed by this programmer. For task generation, we used the GPT-4o model, and prompted it in the way shown in Listing 2.

```
I have the following description
of a programmer:
{description}
Write a non-trivial programming
task
which matches what this person
probably does at work,
you can ignore some of the person
's traits. Return only the
task.
```

Listing 2: Prompt for Persona's task generation.

After the tasks were generated, we deduplicated them using MinHash with the same parameters as for the dataset filtering. After that, the resulting tasks were used for code generation.

Property Name	Values / Options
Primary Programming Language	Python, Java, JavaScript, PHP, C, C#, C++, Go, Ruby, Rust
Field of Work	Web Development, AI/ML, Game Development, System Programming, Embedded Systems, Data Engineering, Research, Distributed Systems Developer, IoT
Code Commenting Style	Concise, Detailed, Minimal
Error-Proneness	High, Medium, Low
Debugging Strategies	Print Statements, Debugger, Logging
Code Aesthetics	Highly Readable, Functional, Minimalist, Hard to Comprehend
Documentation Habits	Detailed, Minimal, Occasional
Function Length Preference	Short, Medium, Long

Table 8: List of attributes and characteristics in DroidCollection-Personas.

### B.3 Dataset Statistics

In this section, we present key statistics of our dataset and compare them with existing alternatives. As shown in Table 9, our dataset includes a broader class distribution and shows greater diversity in code structure, as reflected by higher AST depth percentiles and longer line lengths. It suggests that our dataset captures more complex and varied code patterns, making it a more challenging and real-life-oriented benchmark for evaluating AI-generated code detection models. The importance of varying code lengths and difficulties is also shown in Appendix D.1. We also show the number of samples per generator, and programming language (not considering the datasets with  $<= 2$  languages or generators). Several qualitative examples of samples belonging to different classes in our dataset are shown in Tables 18 and 19.

## C Detailed Architectural Ablations

### C.1 GCN Experiments

We used a simple 4-layer Graph Convolutional Network (GCN) to evaluate how effectively a GCN can capture structural and semantic features of code. As input, we utilised AST representations of the code, treating them as graphs. To assess the impact of node-level information, we experimented with three types of node features:

- **Dummy features** – no meaningful features were provided at the node level;
- **One-hot encoded node types** – encoding the syntactic type of each AST node;
- **Node content embeddings** – textual embeddings derived from the string content of each node. To reduce computational overhead, we used the `HashingVectorizer`, which converts strings into sparse vectors by hashing tokens to fixed-dimensional indices without maintaining a vocabulary in memory.

As shown in Table 11, features based on the textual content of the node yielded the best performance, showing that the semantic information is important in distinguishing between human-written and AI-generated code.

### C.2 CatBoost Experiments

Following Idialu et al. (2024); Orel et al. (2025), we compute 733 structural code features – e.g., counts of various AST nodes, line length, whitespace ratio, count of empty lines, code maintainability index, and others.

These features were used to train CatBoost classifiers with automatically tuned hyperparameters. Figure 1 shows the top unique features ranked by SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations) values (Lundberg and Lee, 2017). Interestingly, the most informative features vary across the 2-, 3-, and 4-class classification tasks, suggesting that different granularities of classification are dependent on different aspects of code structure.

Nonetheless, some patterns persist across all setups. In particular, features related to the length of identifiers (variable names) and the density of comments consistently present as strong indicators for distinguishing AI-generated/Refined from human-written code.

### C.3 Does Structure-Based Late-Fusion Improve Robustness?

To decide whether fusion is helpful for improving the detection, we combined the GCN from Appendix C.1 with our text-only classifier using early fusion of embeddings. We used OOD-based generalisation, and compared how well the models perform for 2, 3, and 4-class classification in OOD settings (since when trained directly, it is hard to measure the significance of the performance difference), and then compared in which scenarios each method provides a better weighted F1-score. Table 12 shows that there is no clear trend of one approach being better than another: in the binary classification task, there are more ties, fusion has a higher win-rate in 4-class classification, while the model without fusion performs best in the 3-class case. Then we compared how the difference in F1-scores between models compares to the interquartile range within the model’s predictions. As shown in Figure 2, the interquartile range is much larger than the model difference, so both models with and without fusion perform nearly equally.

## D DroidDetect Stress Tests

### D.1 Input Length Stress Tests

Table 10 shows that while existing approaches perform best on short code snippets – likely due to being trained on compact samples such as individual functions, as evidenced in Table 9 – our models exhibit improved performance as input length increases. This suggests our detectors are better aligned with real-world usage, where code is often composed of multi-function modules, class definitions, or entire scripts spanning hundreds of lines.

Metric	CoDet-M4	CodeGPTSensor	GptSniffer	DroidCollection
AST@75	<b>15.00</b>	12.00	<b>15.00</b>	<b>15.00</b>
AST@90	<b>18.00</b>	15.00	<b>18.00</b>	<b>18.00</b>
AST@99	23.00	20.00	23.15	<b>25.00</b>
Line@75	90.00	93.00	99.00	<b>107.00</b>
Line@90	113.00	112.00	117.00	<b>135.00</b>
Line@99	228.00	169.00	153.60	<b>314.00</b>
Class Distribution				
	AI - 50%	AI - 50%	AI - 90%	AI - 25%
	Human - 50%	Human - 50%	Human - 10%	Human - 47%
				Refined - 13%
				Adv. - 15%
Avg. # of samples per language	<b>166,850</b>	-	-	148,491
Avg. # of samples per generator	<b>50,866</b>	-	-	8,458

Table 9: Comparison of AST depth percentile, line length percentile, class distribution, and average samples per language/generator between DroidCollection and existing datasets.

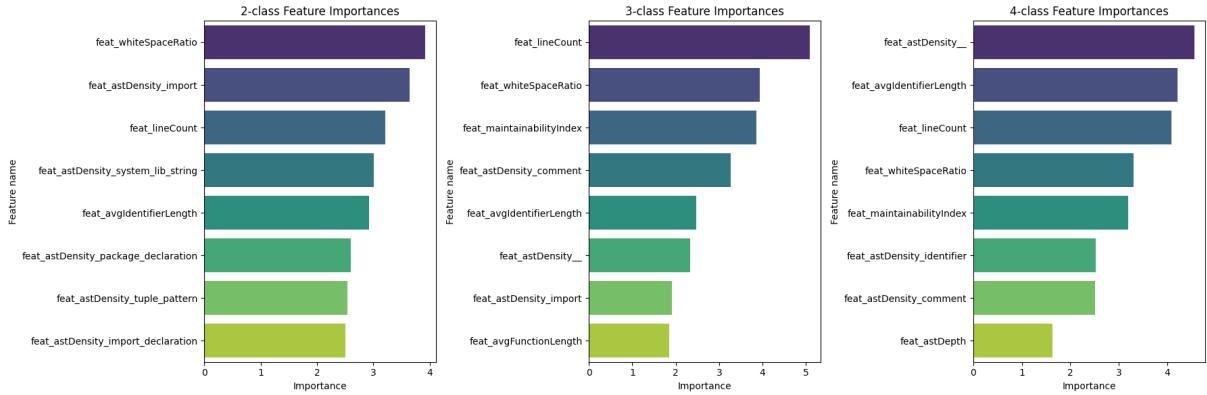


Figure 1: Feature importances.

Model	Truncation Length		
	128	256	512
GptSniffer	57.05	57.20	56.64
M4	59.69	53.10	51.13
CoDet-M4	72.28	70.62	61.68
DroidDetect-Base	91.90	96.25	99.18
DroidDetect-Large	<b>94.91</b>	<b>98.31</b>	<b>99.25</b>

Table 10: Impact of input length truncation (measured using the ModernBERT tokeniser) on weighted F1-scores for binary classification. The most competitive numbers are highlighted in **bold**.

Table 11: Comparison of different feature types used as node-level features in a GCN, based on the weighted F1-score on the validation set. The most competitive numbers are highlighted in **bold**.

Another important thing is how stable our models remain across different input lengths. When we cut the input from 512 to 128 tokens, DroidDetect-Base only drops 7.28 F1-score points (from 99.18 to 91.90), and DroidDetect-Large drops just 4.34 points (from 99.25 to 94.91). This consistency suggests the generalisability of our models to various inputs.

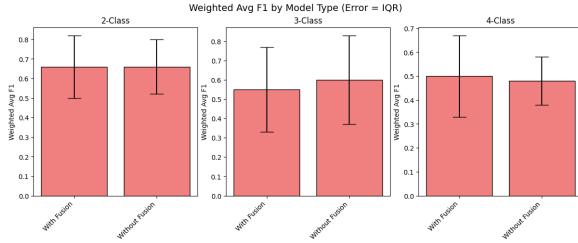


Figure 2: Weighted F1-score comparison between models with and without fusion.

Classification	Tie (%)	With Fusion (%)	Without Fusion (%)
2-Class	60.0	40.0	0.0
3-Class	40.0	20.0	40.0
4-Class	20.0	60.0	20.0

Table 12: Comparative task-level win-rates of DroidDetect with and without GCN late-fusion aggregated over OOD classification tasks.

## D.2 Additional OOD Stress Testing

To evaluate the generalisation ability of our models, we tested them on additional open-source datasets containing AI-generated code. Specifically, we sampled 15,000 examples from the Swallow-Code dataset (Fujii et al., 2025), a high-quality collection of Python code from The Stack v2 (Lozhkov et al., 2024) synthetically refined by LLaMA3.3-70B-Instruct model. This dataset was concurrently released with our work and is highly unlikely to be part of the training distribution of any of our models, thus serving as a strong test for our models’ recall on machine-rewritten code.

We also randomly selected 15,000 samples per programming language from The Heap (Katz et al., 2025) dataset. This dataset contains illiberally licensed code with metadata about its presence in existing code-retraining corpora. We specifically filter for samples that are not exact- or near-duplicates with any sample in major pre-training corpora (Li et al., 2023c; Lozhkov et al., 2024; Weber et al., 2024a). Jointly, these ensure that our curated split is extremely unlikely to be seen by models during pre-training, thus constituting a stiff test of our detectors’ recall on human-written code.

Both DroidDetect-Base and DroidDetect-Large were evaluated on these datasets: on Swallow-Code, they achieved 98.95% and 99.11% recall; on The Heap, 94.14% and 96.28%. This demonstrates strong cross-dataset robustness.

## E Error Analysis and Interpretation

### E.1 Error Analysis

In this section we describe and demonstrate common errors, observed in predictions of DroidDetect models.

**False Positives and False Negatives** Among misclassifications in the binary classification task, we observe that approximately 34% are false positives, with the remainder being false negatives. This distribution is reasonable given the larger number of negative-class samples in the dataset

**Worst-Performing Language and Domain** As shown in Table 3, Research/DS domain consistently yields the lowest performance for both the Base and the Large DroidDetect models, likely due to the comparatively longer and more complex code typical in this domain. In Table 4, we observe that detecting machine-generated code in JavaScript is particularly challenging, which aligns with findings from Orel et al. (2025). We attribute this to the greater variability of coding practices found in JavaScript programs - modern frameworks of JavaScript mix coding paradigms (functional programming, OOP) - and it is also not typologically related to the rest of the languages considered in our work.

**Correlation with Preserved Human-Written Code in Hybrid Cases** In hybrid scenarios, both models achieve similar F-scores for rewriting and continuation cases (91.42% and 92.47% on average). We also find a moderate negative correlation (-0.43 on average) between the proportion of preserved human-written code and the model’s F-score, indicating that the more original human code is retained, the more difficult detection becomes.

**Misclassification on Adversarial Samples** As shown in Figure 5, for both the Base and Large DroidDetect models, most misclassifications occur between the AI-generated and Refined classes. Notably, adversarial samples are more frequently misclassified as human-written rather than as other machine-generated (or refined) classes. This suggests that our adversarial training strategy effectively makes these examples more human-like.

### E.2 Interpretation of Predictions

We studied the patterns behind models’ predictions, using gradient attribution (Ancona et al., 2018) and the attention maps of our models.

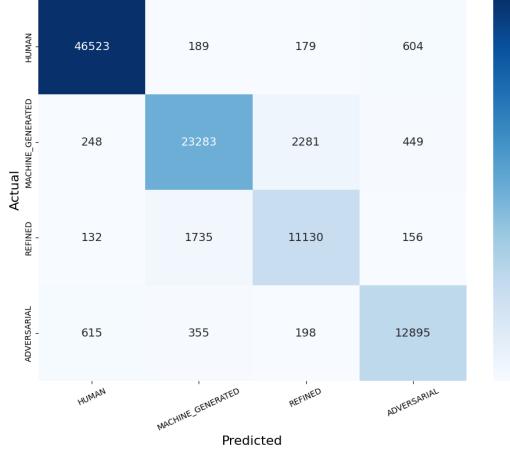


Figure 3: DroidDetect-Base classifiers confusion matrix.

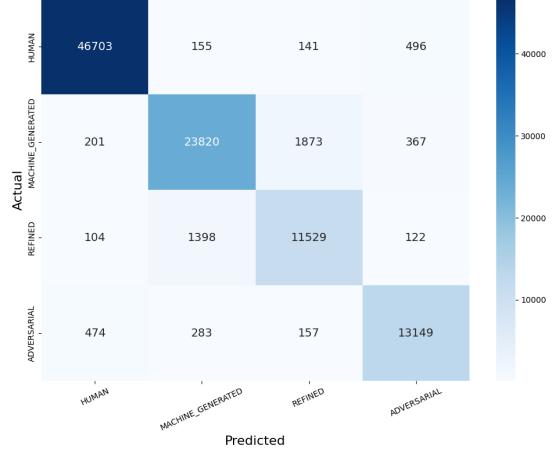


Figure 4: DroidDetect-Large classifiers confusion matrix.

Figure 5: Confusion Matrixes for DroidDetect models.

Although these results are somewhat noisy and may not always be fully faithful (Laugel et al., 2019; Lyu et al., 2024), several common patterns emerge. Notably, much of the model’s attention is directed toward punctuation symbols (e.g., colons, semicolons, arrows), consistent with the findings of Clark et al. (2019), who showed that BERT-based models frequently focus on punctuation. A more detailed gradient-based analysis reveals that stylistic choices, such as long, descriptive comments and detailed explanations, typical of LLM-generated code, significantly impact the model’s decisions. Additionally, consecutive empty lines and extra spaces influence predictions, aligning with the Cat-Boost feature behaviour described in Appendix C.2. Together, these findings suggest that the structural and stylistic conventions of LLM-generated code differ from human-written code.

Examples of some misclassifications and their explanations based on gradient attribution and attention maps are given in Tables 13 and 14.

## F Qualitative Examples

### F.1 Inverse Instructions Examples

In Tables 15 to 17 we show examples of code with the corresponding inverse instructions. It is clear that in general instructions match the code.

### F.2 Dataset Samples

In this appendix (Tables 18 and 19), we provide a small portion of code per class, written by different models in different languages. To check the diversity of our dataset, it is suggested to check the release repository.

Code	True Label	Predicted Label	Explanation
<pre> import java.io.*; import java.util.*; public class random { //just span uniquely determines LOL, can basically say its 1-D     public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {         BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));         PrintWriter pw = new PrintWriter(System.out);         StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(br.readLine());         int n = Integer.parseInt(st.nextToken());         int k = Integer.parseInt(st.nextToken());         int[][] nums = new int[n][2];         for(int i= 0; i&lt;n; i++){             st = new StringTokenizer(br.readLine());             nums[i][0] = Integer.parseInt(st.nextToken());             nums[i][1] = Integer.parseInt(st.nextToken());         }         long sum = 0;         boolean[][] dp = new boolean[n+1][k];         //a rem uniquely determines brem by overcounting         //extras accounted for by combinatorics         dp[0][0] = true;         for(int i=1; i&lt;n; i++){             sum += nums[i-1][0] + nums[i-1][1];             for(int j = 0; j&lt;k; j++){                 //might be tempted to use int here, but uniquely determined from rem                 int rem = nums[i-1][0]*k;                 dp[i][j] = dp[i-1][j] &amp; (rem + k)%k;                 for(int back = 0; back &lt;= Math.min(k-1, nums[i-1][0]); back++){                     if((nums[i-1][1] + (nums[i-1][0] - back)%k &gt;= k) &amp;&amp;                         dp[i-1][j] == dp[i-1][j]    dp[i-1][j] - back + k)%k;                     dp[i][j] = dp[i][j]    dp[i-1][j] - back + k)%k;                 }             }         }         System.out.println(Arrays.toString(dp[n]));         long ret = 0;         for(int i = 0; i&lt;k; i++){             if(dp[n][i]){                 ret = (sum - i)/k;                 break;             }         }         pw.println(ret);         pw.close();         br.close();     } } </pre>	Human-Written	AI-Generated	Gradient attribution shows that this prediction could be based mainly on consecutive whitespaces in the last comment, use comments that are common for LLMs during code explanation like "basically say it is 1-D", "to use".
<pre> // Use of this source code is governed by a BSD-style license that can be // found in the LICENSE file.  #include "chrome/browser/ash/borealis/features.h" #include &lt;string&gt;  #include "ash/constants/ash_features.h" #include "base/check.h" #include "chrome/grit/generated_resources.h" #include "components/prefs/pref_service.h"  // Generated code  void SetBorealisEnabledAndAllowed(PrefService* pref_service, bool should_allow, bool should_enable) {     DCHECK(pref_service);     pref_service-&gt;SetBoolean(ash::features::kLauncherShowBorealisAppId, should_allow &amp;&amp; should_enable);     feature_list-&gt;InitializeFromCommandLine(kProfileFlag, should_enable);     cros_settings-&gt;SetBoolean(ash::kAccessibilitySpokenFeedbackEnabled, should_enable); } </pre>	AI-Generated	Human-Written	Despite of inclusion of "/* Generative code" comment, our models made mistake while classifying this code. Both gradient attribution and attention maps point to the comment which talks about license as the main reason to label it as Human-written code.

Table 13: Examples of Model misclassification and their explanations (Part 1).

Code	True Label	Predicted Label	Explanation
<pre> ...     while (k &gt; 0 and f) {         if ((v[i] - sum) % k or (v[i] - sum) &lt;= 0) {             f = 0;             break;         }         ll d = (v[i] - sum) / k;         sum += (d*2);         i-=2;         k -= 2;     }      if (f == 1) cout &lt;&lt; "YES" &lt;&lt; endl;     else cout &lt;&lt; "NO" &lt;&lt; endl; } return 0; } </pre>	Human-Written	AI-Generated	Extra spacing between lines
<pre> def gcdIter(a,b):     a, b: positive integers     returns: a positive integer, the greatest common divisor of a &amp; b.     ...     # Your code here     test=min(a,b)     while test&gt;=1:         if a%test==0 and b%test==0:             return test         test-=1  import fractions  S,tc=list(map(int,input().split(' '))) #print S,tc already_occured=[] while tc:     tc=tc-1     A=int(input())     #gcd=gcdIter(A,S)     gcd=fractions.gcd(A,S)     if gcd in already_occured:         print(-1)     else:         already_occured.append(gcd)         print(gcd) </pre>	Human-Written	AI-Generated	Both attention maps and gradient attribution trigger on "# Your code here" comment, which is similar to "Here is your code", which is a common part of LLMs response.
<pre> #include &lt;tuple&gt; template &lt;int Arg&gt; class TestObj { public:     int getArg()     {         return Arg;     }; };  // Define a template class that we can specialize with an enumeration // ----- enum class EnumType {     Member,     Subclass };  template &lt;EnumType Arg&gt; class EnumTemplate;  // Specialization for use when "Arg" is "EnumType::Member" // ----- template &lt;&gt; class EnumTemplate&lt;EnumType::Member&gt; { public:     EnumTemplate(int m) :         m_member(m)     {     }      int getMember() const     {         return m_member;     }  protected:     int m_member; }; </pre>	AI-Generated	Human-Written	Consecutive spaces and the format of comments, highlighted by attention maps and gradient attribution.

Table 14: Examples of Model misclassification and their explanations (Part 2).

Language	Instruction	Code
C++	<p>Write a C-style function to retrieve the bus speed of a specific device, given its UART's baud clock divisor, base baud clock, and time base reading functionality. The function should set the DLAB, read the DLL and DLM, calculate the baud clock divisor, update the DLAB, and then loop to find the first edge of the baud clock, get the starting and ending time base values, and finally compute the bus speed from these values.</p>	<pre>static unsigned long __init prpmc750_get_bus_speed(void) { unsigned long tbl_start, tbl_end; unsigned long current_state, old_state, bus_speed; unsigned char lcr, dl1, dl2; int baud_divisor, count;  /* Read the UART's baud clock divisor */ lcr = readb(PRPMC750_SERIAL_0_LCR); writeb(lcr   UART_LCR_DLAB, PRPMC750_SERIAL_0_LCR); dl1 = readb(PRPMC750_SERIAL_0_DLL); dl2 = readb(PRPMC750_SERIAL_0_DLM); writeb(lcr &amp; ~UART_LCR_DLAB, PRPMC750_SERIAL_0_LCR); baud_divisor = (dl2 &lt;&lt; 8)   dl1;  /* * Use the baud clock divisor and base baud clock * to determine the baud rate and use that as * the number of baud clock edges we use for * the time base sample. Make it half the baud * rate. */ count = PRPMC750_BASE_BAUD / (baud_divisor * 16);  /* Find the first edge of the baud clock */ old_state = readb(PRPMC750_STATUS_REG) &amp; PRPMC750_BAUDOUT_MASK; do { current_state = readb(PRPMC750_STATUS_REG) &amp; PRPMC750_BAUDOUT_MASK; } while(old_state == current_state);  old_state = current_state;  /* Get the starting time base value */ tbl_start = get_tbl();  /* * Loop until we have found a number of edges equal * to half the count (half the baud rate) */ do { do { current_state = readb(PRPMC750_STATUS_REG) &amp; PRPMC750_BAUDOUT_MASK; } while(old_state == current_state); old_state = current_state; } while (&lt;-count);  /* Get the ending time base value */ tbl_end = get_tbl();  /* Compute bus speed */ bus_speed = (tbl_end-tbl_start)*128;  return bus_speed; }</pre>
Python	<p>Generate Python code that performs data reading, trimming, and datetime conversion for a set of files located in a specified directory. The files should be named in a pattern `met_sum_in situ_l_ obop_hour_20&lt;Year&gt;.txt`, and the data should be trimmed to remove irrelevant columns, handle missing values, and create a datetime column using the existing year, month, day, and hour columns. The resulting data should be returned as a processed pandas DataFrame</p>	<pre>def metTrim(): # ---- initial reading of data root = r'C:\Users\ARL\Desktop\MetData' ext = list(range(12, 20)) # yearly extensions  colnames = ['na', 'yr', 'mo', 'dy', 'hr', 'dir', 'spd', 'steady', 'na', 'na', 'na', 'na', 'na'] met = pd.DataFrame(columns=colnames) # preallocate df for yr in ext: # read in data data = pd.read_csv(root + r'\met_sum_in situ_l_ obop_hour_20{}.txt'.format(yr), delim_whitespace=True, header=None) data.columns = colnames # apply col names met = met.append(data) # append to list print('Data Imported')  # ---- trimming data met = met.drop('na', axis=1) # drop na cols met = met.replace(-999.9, np.nan) # turn missing val to nan met = met.replace(-9, np.nan) met = met.replace(-99, np.nan) met = met.replace(-99.9, np.nan) met = met.dropna(axis=0, how='any') # remove rows with nan vals  # ---- convert date to datetime metInt = met.applymap(int) # make sure values are ints dates = createDatetime(metInt['yr'].values, metInt['mo'].values, metInt['dy'].values, metInt['hr'].values)  met['datetime'] = dates # add it as a new column met = met.drop(['yr', 'mo', 'dy', 'hr'], axis=1) # drop old date columns  return met</pre>

Table 15: Code and Corresponding Inverse Instructions (C++, Python).

Language	Instruction	Code
Java	Given a file with blog entries and their respective dates , write a Java method to read the file , sort the entries in reverse chronological order , and separate them into lists for published and unpublished entries. The method should handle varying file existence conditions and log errors accordingly. Assume the blog entries are stored in lines of the file , with each entry consisting of a date in 'yyyyMMdd' format followed by the entry 's ID.	<pre> private void readIndex(boolean published) {     File indexFile;     if (published) {         indexFile = new File(blog.getIndexesDirectory(), "blogentries-published.index");     } else {         indexFile = new File(blog.getIndexesDirectory(), "blogentries-unpublished.index");     }      if (indexFile.exists()) {         try {             BufferedReader reader = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(indexFile));             String indexEntry = reader.readLine();             while (indexEntry != null) {                 indexEntries.add(indexEntry);                  // and add it to the internal memory structures                 Date date = new Date(Long.parseLong(indexEntry));                 Day day = blog.getBlogForDay(date);                  if (published) {                     publishedIndexEntries.add(indexEntry);                     day.addPublishedBlogEntry(indexEntry);                 } else {                     unpublishedIndexEntries.add(indexEntry);                     day.addUnpublishedBlogEntry(indexEntry);                 }                  indexEntry = reader.readLine();             }             reader.close();         } catch (Exception e) {             log.error("Error while reading index", e);         }     }      Collections.sort(indexEntries, new ReverseBlogEntryIdComparator());     Collections.sort(publishedIndexEntries, new ReverseBlogEntryIdComparator());     Collections.sort(unpublishedIndexEntries, new ReverseBlogEntryIdComparator()); } </pre>
JavaScript	Generate a JavaScript function named Teth , which is a constructor function , outside of its parent function. Teth should inherit all properties and methods from its parent function and add a new method - getChain. This method should return the string "teth". The Teth function should attach its prototype to its parent's prototype , moving it one level away. The code should utilize the Node.js environment and should include documentation to describe the purpose of the function and its newly added method.	<pre> var Btc = require('./btc'); var bitcoin = require('bitcoinjs-lib'); var _ = require('lodash');  var Tbtc = function() {     // this function is called externally from BaseCoin     // replace the BaseCoin prototype with the local override prototype, which inherits from BaseCoin     // effectively, move the BaseCoin prototype one level away     this.__proto__ = Tbtc.prototype;     this.network = bitcoin.networks.testnet; };  Tbtc.prototype.__proto__ = Btc.prototype;  Tbtc.prototype.getChain = function() {     return 'tbtc'; };  module.exports = Tbtc; </pre>

Table 16: Code and Corresponding Inverse Instructions (Java, JavaScript).

Language	Instruction	Code
Go	<p>Write a Go function that creates a set of constant labels for Prometheus metrics based on ISI cluster settings.</p> <p>The function should check if a site has been specified for the ISI cluster and create labels with both the cluster name and site name if available.</p> <p>Otherwise, it should create labels with only the cluster name.</p> <p>Include a log statement to display the created labels.</p>	<pre>func CreateConstLabels() error {     //Only create a const label for site if a site has been specified.     if IsiCluster.Site != "" {         ConstLabels = prometheus.Labels{"cluster": IsiCluster.Name, "site": IsiCluster.Site}     } else {         ConstLabels = prometheus.Labels{"cluster": IsiCluster.Name}     }     log.Debugf("ConstLabels are %v", ConstLabels)     return nil }</pre>
C#	<p>Generate C# code that prompts the user for a string and then checks if it is a palindrome by comparing characters from the start and end of the string, moving towards the center. If the characters match, print a message indicating they are equal; otherwise, print a message indicating they are not equal. The code should handle strings of any length and input user characters until the string length is reached.</p>	<pre>using System; namespace _76 {     class Program     {         static void Main(string[] args)         {             int cont = 0;              Console.WriteLine("Quantos caracteres seu palindromo tem?");             int max = int.Parse(Console.ReadLine());              string [] caractere = new string [max];             for (cont = 0; cont &lt; max; cont++)             {                 Console.WriteLine("Digite" + (cont + 1) + " caracteres da palavra");                 caractere[cont] = Console.ReadLine();             }              int inverso = cont;              for (cont = 0; cont &lt; max; cont++)             {                 if (caractere[cont] == caractere[inverso])                 {                     Console.WriteLine("O " + (cont + 1) + " caractere " + (inverso + 1) + " caractere");                 }                 Console.WriteLine("O " + (cont + 1) + " caractere " + (inverso + 1) + " caractere ");                 inverso--;             }         }     } }</pre>

Table 17: Code and Corresponding Inverse Instructions (Go, C#).

Language	Class	Generator	Code
Python	LLM-Refined (re-written)	Qwen2.5-72B	<pre> from collections import defaultdict class Solution:     MAXPRIME = 100001     isPrime = [0] * (MAXPRIME + 1)     isPrime[0] = isPrime[1] = -1     def __init__(self):         for i in range(2, MAXPRIME):             if isPrime[i] == 0:                 isPrime[i] = i                 for multiple in range(i * i, MAXPRIME + 1, i):                     if isPrime[multiple] == 0:                         isPrime[multiple] = i     def largestComponentSize(self, A):         label = defaultdict(int)         roots = {}         def find_root(key):             if key not in roots:                 roots[key] = key             if roots[key] != key:                 roots[key] = find_root(roots[key])             return roots[key]         def merge_roots(k1, k2):             r1, r2 = find_root(k1), find_root(k2)             if r1 != r2:                 r1, r2 = min(r1, r2), max(r1, r2)                 label[r1] += label[r2]                 roots[r2] = r1             return r1         for x in A:             root_id = None             prime_factors = set()             while self.isPrime[x] != -1:                 p = self.isPrime[x]                 root_id = find_root(p) if root_id is None else merge_roots(root_id, p)                 x //= p             label[root_id] -= 1         return -min(label.values()) </pre>
C	Human-written	Human	<pre> int pack_white(char *ptr) {     int cnt = 0;     char *tptr, ch;     if (ptr == NULL)         return (0);     tptr = ptr;     while (isspace(*tptr))         tptr++;     for (;;) {         while ((ch = *tptr) != '\0' &amp;&amp; !isspace(ch)) {             *ptr++ = ch;             tptr++;         }         while (isspace(*tptr))             tptr++;         if (*tptr == '\0')             break;         *ptr++ = ' ';         cnt++;     }     *ptr = '\0';     return (cnt); } </pre>

Table 18: Code samples by different models (Part 1).

Language	Class	Generator	Code
Go	Adversarial	Qwen2.5-Coder-7B-Instruct	<pre> package main import (     "context"     "fmt"     "golang.org/x/sync/errgroup" ) func parallelExecute(ctx context.Context, runners ...func(context.Context) error) error {     g := new(errgroup.Group)     for _, runner := range runners {         runner := runner         g.Go(func() error {             return runner(ctx)         })     }     return g.Wait() } func main() {     ctx := context.Background()     runners := []func(context.Context) error{         func(ctx context.Context) error {             select {             case &lt;-ctx.Done():                 return ctx.Err()             case &lt;-time.After(2 * time.Second):                 return fmt.Errorf("runner 1 error")             },             func(ctx context.Context) error {                 select {                 case &lt;-ctx.Done():                     return ctx.Err()                 case &lt;-time.After(3 * time.Second):                     return fmt.Errorf("runner 2 error")                 },             }         },     }     err := parallelExecute(ctx, runners...)     if err != nil {         fmt.Println("First error encountered:", err)     } } </pre>
JavaScript	AI-Generated	Yi-Coder-9B	<pre> class Vector2D {     #x;     #y;     constructor(x, y) {         this.#x = x;         this.#y = y;     }     setX(x) {         this.#x = x;     }     setY(y) {         this.#y = y;     }     getX() {         return this.#x;     }     getY() {         return this.#y;     }     add(vector) {         this.#x += vector.getX();         this.#y += vector.getY();         return this;     }     compare(vector) {         return this.#x === vector.getX() &amp;&amp; this.#y === vector.getY();     } } </pre>

Table 19: Code samples by different models (Part 2).