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Use an Al-based Virtual Security Analyst to Modernize Your SOC

Artificial intelligence (AI) has the ability to identify patterns in massive amounts of data, enabling it to detect trends and make threat classifications much more rapidly than humans. An Al-based virtual security operations center (SOC) analyst using deep learning such as deep neural networks can help overcome the growing skills gap and more rapidly detect and respond security incidents.

A deep neural network-based virtual SOC analyst helps mitigate the effects of this skills gap by helping

skills gap has impacted their organization.1

of security professionals say that the cybersecurity

to perform low-tier tasks and assisting human analysts, enabling them to operate at a higher level. An AI system must have certain characteristics to

be successful.

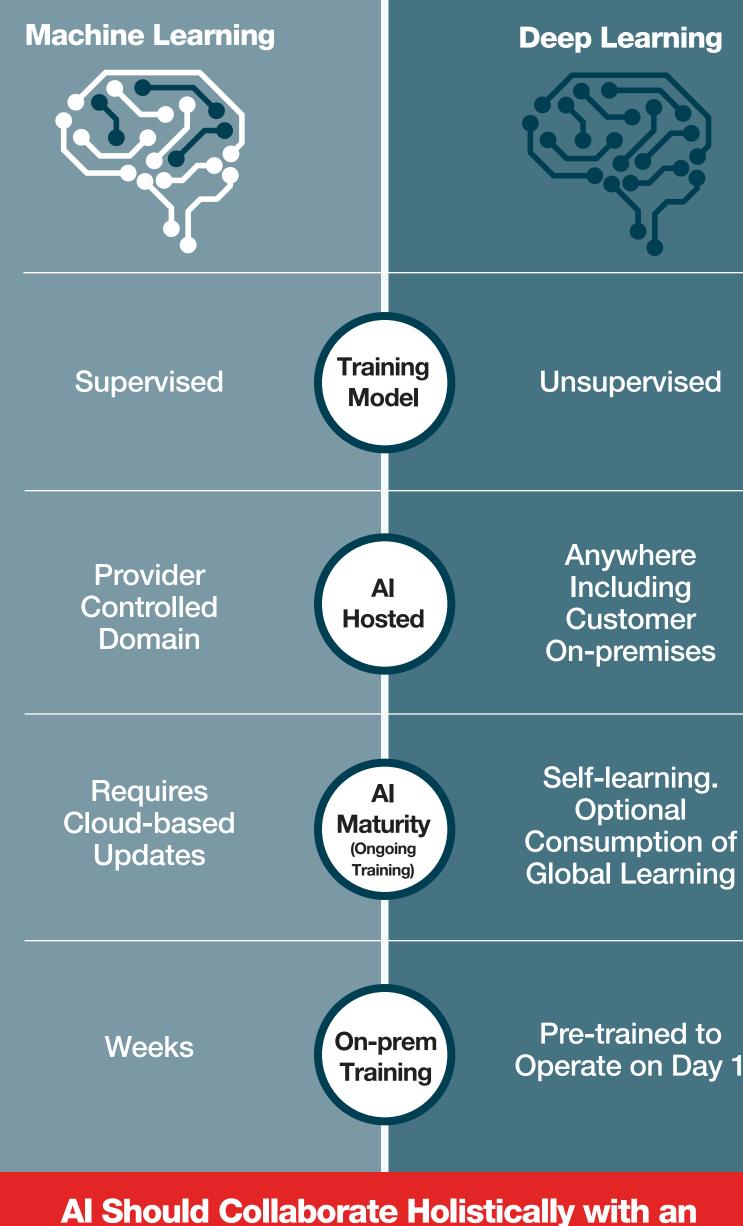




When it comes to commonly used machine-learning algorithms, a virtual security analyst based on deep learning that can operate

Must Learn by Itself

in unsupervised mode without initial training on-premises is a boon to lean SOC teams, which rely on its ability to adapt to the evolving cyber-threat landscape.



automates menial tasks, and keeps pace with protecting against sophisticated threats.

Adopt AI to scale out SOC and close the gap

investigating, and

responding to threats

of skills shortage

Such a collaboration improves the scalability of teams,

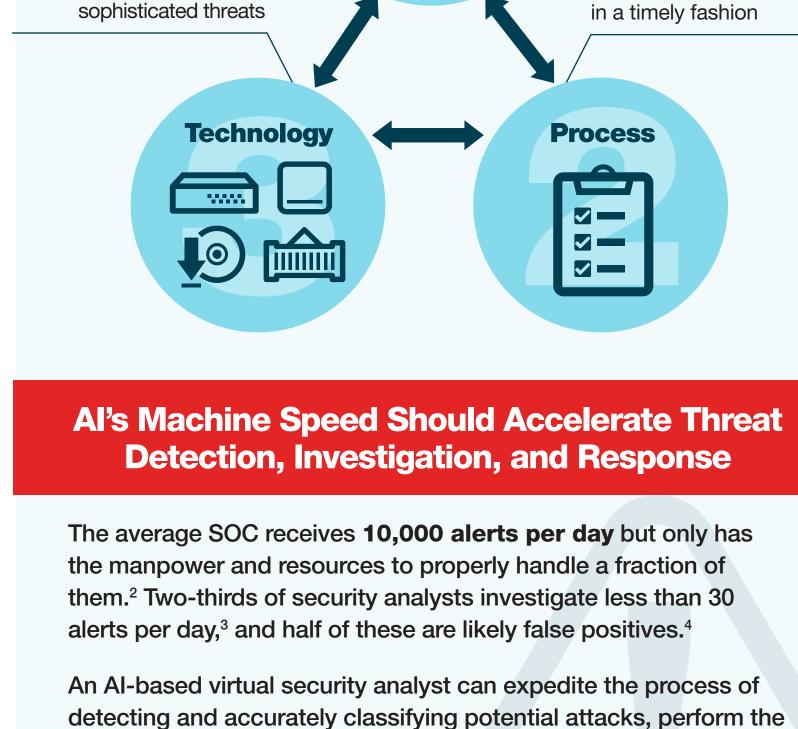
Organization's People, Processes, and Technology

People Applying AI to the cumbersome process of identifying,

Applying AI to improve

efficacy and speed

of threat detection of



affected machines, and apply appropriate remediation. This dramatically decreases the load on security staff and reduces the cost of security incidents.

Example of Threat Response Life Cycle

Before: The traditional approach to solving WannaCry with SecOps analysts only

necessary investigative steps to identify the source of the threat,

Identify Investigate (4+ hrs) Log into security product(s) Review logs/alerts Use built-in and external tools to

Investigate

Respond

segment Remediate device(s)/restore backup Apply patches Close ticket

- After: Solving WannaCry with SecOps analyst augmented with deep neural networks (AI) **Identify** Respond **Investigate**
- Quarantine devices(s), network

Respond (2+ hrs)

Identify (1+ hrs)

ransomware, or

validate ransomware

Create mitigation plan

Perform external research

Assume out of 100s – 1,000s of

threat alerts on a SOC dashboard, threat selected happens to be

Alerted directly by an affected user

 Log into security product(s) to search for WannaCry's lateral movement

Investigate (<5 mins) Al: Provides WannaCry kill chain with contextual threat research

features

SecOps: Create mitigation plan Respond (<30 mins) Al integrated with security controls:

and lateral movement

Al: Identify WannaCry patient-zero

- Quarantine devices(s), network segment SecOps follow-up: - Remediate device(s)/restore backup

- Apply patches Close ticket

- Identify (<1 s) Al: Ransomware validated in Al: Self-learns new ransomware
- ³ "SOCs still overwhelmed by alert overload, struggle with false-positives," Help Net Security, August 29, 2019. ⁴ Ibid.

¹ Jon Oltsik, "The Life and Times of Cybersecurity Professionals 2018," ESG & ISSA, April 2019. ² "How Many Daily Cybersecurity Alerts does the SOC Really Receive?," Bricata, October 2, 2019.

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