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AI/ML XDR

Detect and Respond in Real-Time

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BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT (BLUF):

Vectra's pioneering AI/ML, real-time cyber threat detection and response platform

- DCO surface area too large for traditional methods to be successful on their own.
- Security via Compliance hampering DCO and giving adversaries the advantage
  - Volt Typhoon operating for 5 years+
- Vectra brings benefits of AI/ML to threat detection/threat hunting
  - **Real-Time Visibility and Alerting** across Hybrid Cloud, Enterprise, DDIL and Tactical
  - Reduces altert noise by up to 85% vs signature-based products
  - Speeds decision making and response
  - Integrates and operates at **enterprise scale**
- USG, NGA, NAVY, SOCOM moved to rapid procurement to fill this gap

About Vectra:

- **Founded 2010** ; HQ San Jose, CA
  - 2000+ customers; IC, DoD, Civilian, Sis
- Easily overlay AI based security to address critical blind spot
  - **REAL TIME THREAT DETECTION and E/W VISIBILITY**
  - **Automating threat hunting** with contextualization and prioritization of threats
  - **AI User Behavior Analytics** – Identify insider threat/privilege mis-use or escalation
  - **Reduces alert noise by up to 85%** vs signature-based products

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THE PROBLEM STATEMENT

Finding the needle amongst needles

THE ONE CONSTANT IN SECURITY IS MORE

Spiral of more

- More Remote Users
- More Cloud Services
- More Cloud Vulnerabilities
- More Account Compromise
- More Network Devices
- More Lateral Movement

spiral of more

- More Attack Surface
- More Evasive Attackers
- More Blind Spots
- More Attacker Exploits
- More Alert Triage
- More Analyst Workload

DISA RECOGNIZES THE NEED/OPPORTUNITY

Recent RFI

The purpose of this RFI is to enhance DISA's Defensive Cyber Operations (DCO) using Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML)…

As cyber threats proliferate – both in terms of numbers and sophistication – the ability of DISA to successfully perform the defensive cyber operations becomes more and more challenging. To overcome these challenges, DISA is interested in exploring the potential of applying commercial AI/ML models, tools, services, and best practices to augment and enhance its current DCO capabilities and methods.

Source: DISA EM

EVERYONE IS UNDER SIEGE; NO ONE IS IMMUNE

Microsoft 365 Breach Risk Widens to Millions of Azure AD Apps

China-linked APT actors could have single-hop access to the gamut of Microsoft cloud services and apps, including SharePoint, Teams, and OneDrive, among many others.

Security Bite: Hackers breach CISA, forcing the agency to take some systems offline

Arin Waichulis | Mar 10 2024 - 4:30 am PT | 3 Comments

Zero-Days in Edge Devices Become China's Cyber Warfare Tactic of Choice

In fact, an estimated 85% of known zero-day vulnerabilities exploited by Chinese state-sponsored groups since 2021 have targeted public-facing appliances, including firewalls, enterprise VPNs, hypervisors, load balancers, and email security tools

MORE ATTACKS IN MORE AUSTERE ENVIRONMENTS

US Marshals Service still recovering from February ransomware attack affecting system used by fugitive hunters

By Sean Lyngaas, CNN
Published 10:53 PM EDT, Mon May 1, 2023

In a SCIF ?!

Volt Typhoon, one congressional official said, was essentially "a ticking time bomb" that could give China the power to interrupt or slow American military deployments or resupply operations by cutting off power, water and communications to U.S. military bases.
Source - NY Times

Operating since 2019 ?!

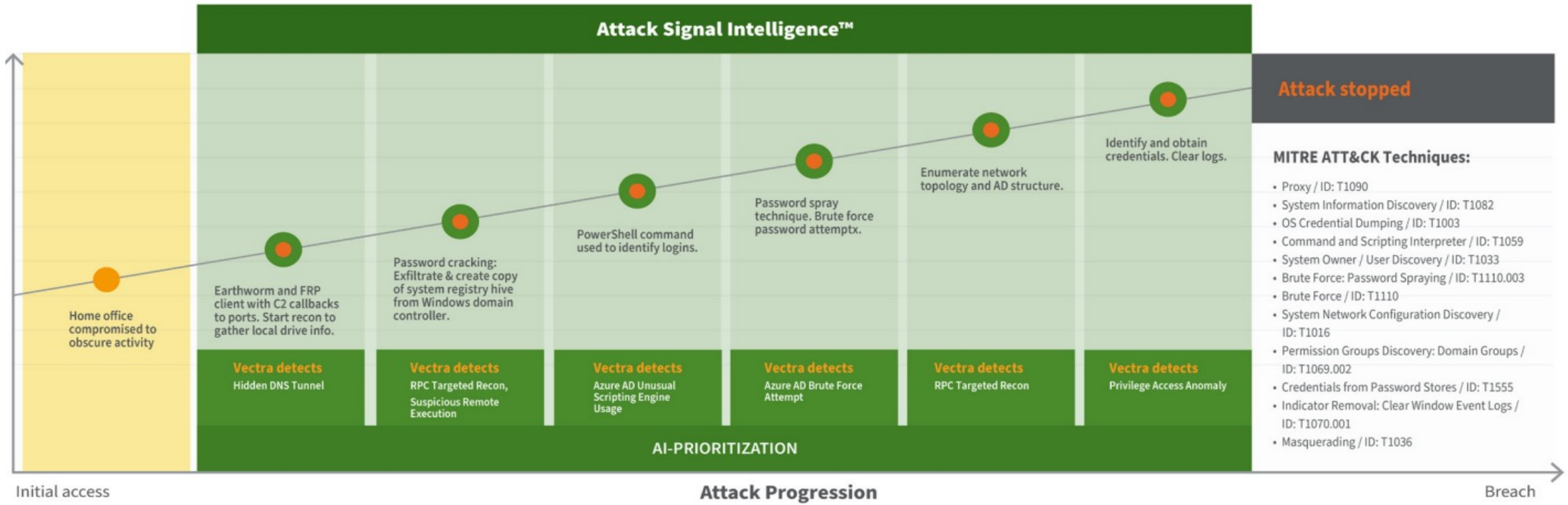
STOP THE INTRUDER BY UNDERSTANDING THE INTRUDER

Drastically Reduce Mean Time to Remediate

Industry: Critical Infrastructure
Volt Typhoon has targeted critical infrastructure in the US and could disrupt critical communications.

Impact Avoided:
Loss of sensitive information, communications, revenue, brand reputation, and customer trust.

Response time	First Vectra alert	Attack stopped
	00:00	**20:00**



MITRE ATT&CK Techniques:

- Proxy / ID: T1090
- System Information Discovery / ID: T1082
- OS Credential Dumping / ID: T1003
- Command and Scripting Interpreter / ID: T1059
- System Owner / User Discovery / ID: T1033
- Brute Force: Password Spraying / ID: T1110.003
- Brute Force / ID: T1110
- System Network Configuration Discovery / ID: T1016
- Permission Groups Discovery: Domain Groups / ID: T1069.002
- Credentials from Password Stores / ID: T1555
- Indicator Removal: Clear Window Event Logs / ID: T1070.001
- Masquerading / ID: T1036

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STRETCH GOALS IN DCO

The 1-10-60 Framework

THE 1-10-60 RULE/FRAMEWORK

Achieve cyber resiliency

- Introduced by Dmitri Alperovitch, the founder of Crowd Strike

- Detect Threats within the first minute
  - Most DCO architectures are reliant on logs and post incident damage control
  - Requires **real-time** detection capabilities lacking in most DCO architectures

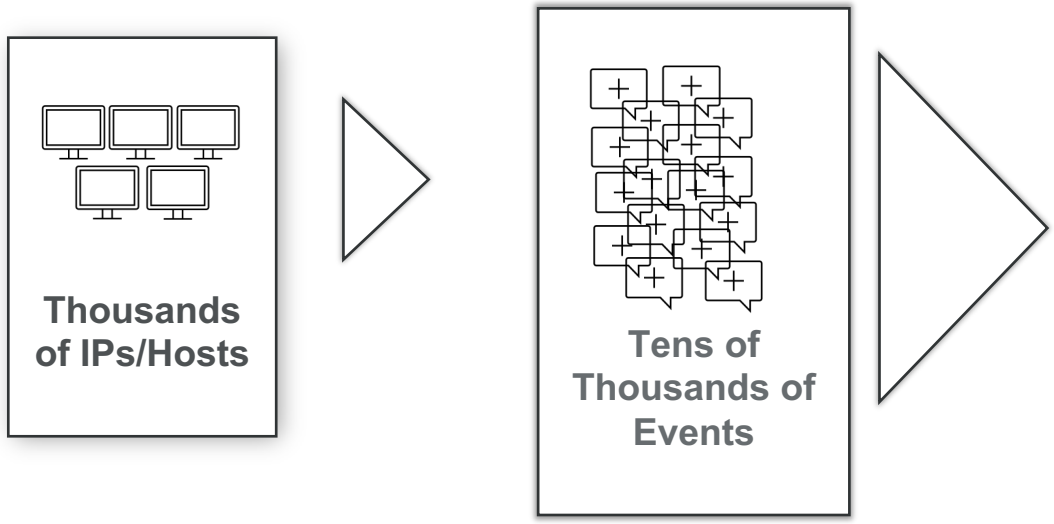
- Understand the nature of the threat within 10 minutes
  - Typically requires correlation across multiple tools/systems
  - Signature based systems are playing catchup

- Respond to the threat within 60 mins
  - Requires correlation, prioritization and certainty
  - Fully contextualized threat intelligence to understand the behavior and potential impact

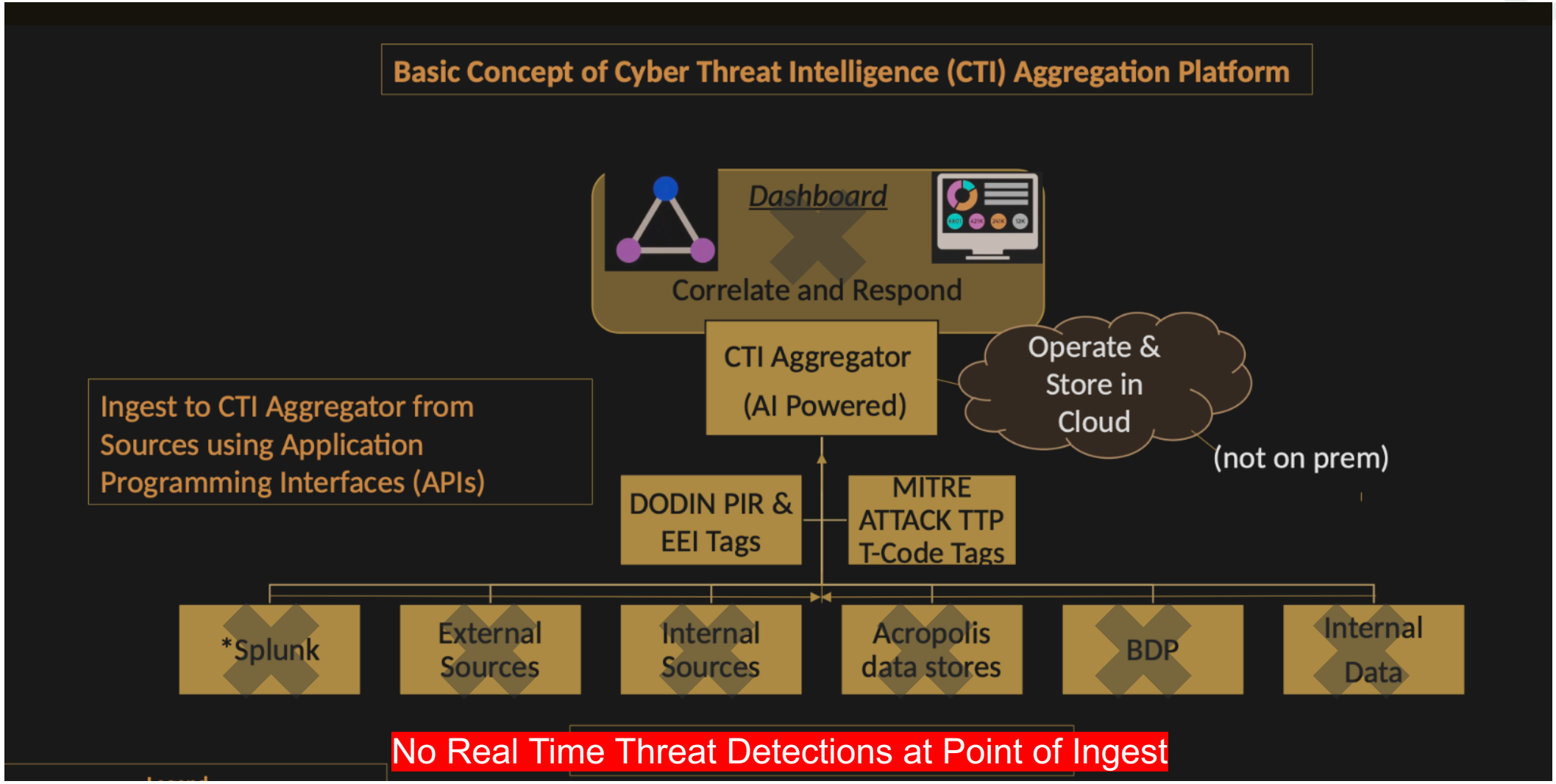
Average breakout time of cyber attack is less than 60 mins

ALERT OVERLOAD = REDUCED SIEM VALUE

Legacy sensors and signature-based alerting

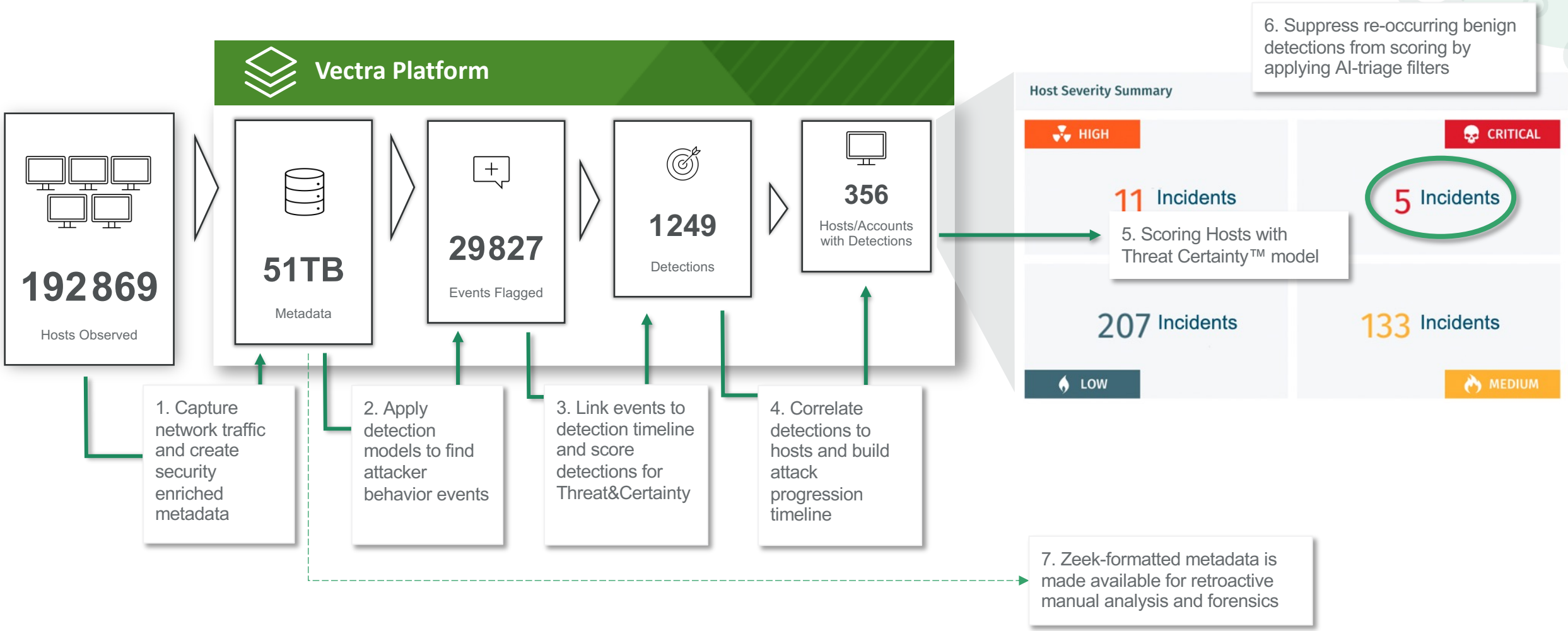


BLIND SPOTS IN THREAT DETECTION = DAMAGE CONTROL



FILTER OUT THE NOISE FOR UNRIVALED SIGNAL CLARITY

AI-driven Prioritization at scale through intelligent automation



Source: Customer environment in a large multinational enterprise, during a 30 day period

CORRELATED ACTIONABLE EVENT DATA

Reduce alert overload – Reduce MTTR – Reduce Dwell Time

SAMPLE EVENT LOG

> <13>Jul 9 07:54:46 vectranetworks.vectra.test vectra_cef -: CEF:0|Vectra Networks|X Series|4.2| smb_brute_force|**SMB Brute-Force**|7|externalId=9481 cat=**LATERAL MOVEMENT** dvc=10.97.41.41 dvchost=10.97.41.41 shost=hostname123.example.com **src**=10.125.64.136 flexNumber1Label=threat flexNumber1=**70** flexNumber2Label=certainty flexNumber2=**59** cs4Label=Vectra Event URL cs4=https:// www.Qradar.test/paths/resources1.ext cs5Label=triaged cs5=False **dst**=10.160.0.145 dhost= proto= dpt=445 out=None in=None start=1531119062000 end=1531119099000

MAKING **1-10-60** A REALITY

Detect threats in **Real Time**

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Prevent

Detect – Prioritize – Investigate - Respond

Stop

Lateral movement

Lateral movement

Lateral movement

Lateral movement

Attackers exploit

Attackers infiltrate

Attackers evade

Attackers escalate

Attackers progress

Attackers exfiltrate

Compromise

Go from months to minutes

Breach

197%
Improved visibility into actual threats

85%
Reduction in alerts

60 days to 4 hours
Reduce mean time to remediation

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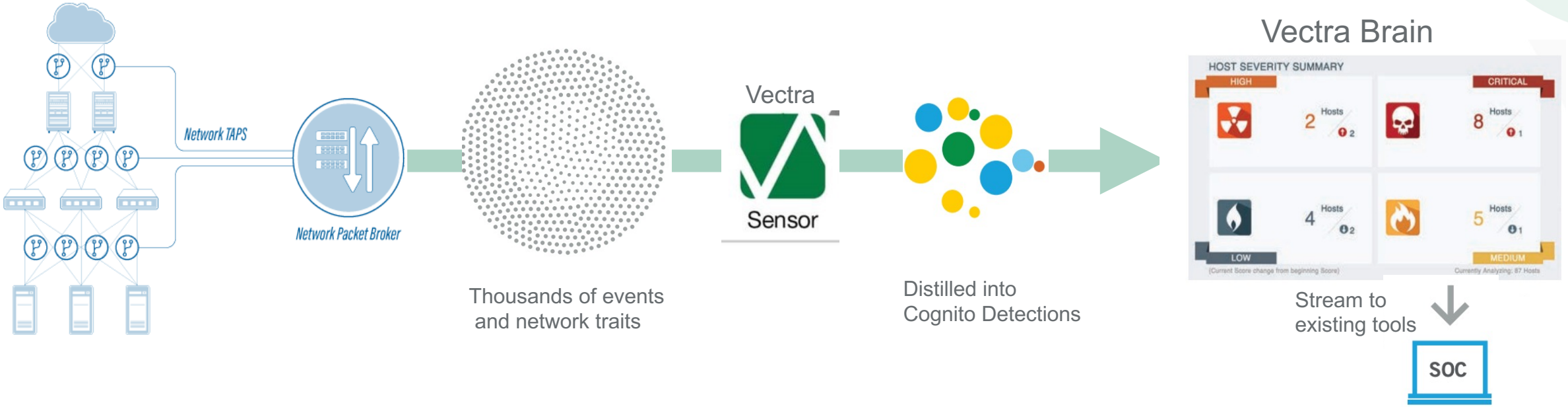
AI behind Vectra AI

Key Takeaways from Vectra's Approach

True AI & ML

- **Natively Signatureless*…**
  - **Models and hashes change, underlying behaviors are constant**
  - **Can utilize Suricata signatures to drive prioritization**
- **Agentless…**
  - **Passive on SPANs/packet brokers & in Azure/AWS Gov**
- **Decryptionless…**
  - **Underlying payload not necessary to detect, purely TCP header behaviors**

VECTRA: PLATFORM WALK THROUGH



1. Capture

Capture relevant data everywhere without agents.

2. Enrich

Pair security research and data science to enrich the data.

3. Apply

Flexibly apply data to your use case.

FINDING ATTACK SIGNAL IS OUR DNA

Over a decade of innovation in using AI to find attack signal in data

Security research to understand how **attackers** think + **Data** that reveals attacks + **AI models** custom-developed for each attack type + **Real-time analytics** at enterprise scale + Automated **feedback** loop

35 Patents

150+ models spanning neural networks, unsupervised, novelty

12 MITRE References

Most patent references of any security vendor

Network Effect

Continuous feedback from 1,000+ customers

AI-driven Attack Signal Intelligence ™

Vectra AI Difference: Two pipelines. One methodology.

Two Pipelines

Global Learning

Identifying the fundamental traits that threats share
Common Techniques:
- Supervised machine learning, heuristics
- Example: • Random forest

Local Learning

Identify normal and abnormal in the local network
Common Techniques:
- Unsupervised machine learning, anomaly detection
- Example: K-means clustering

One Methodology

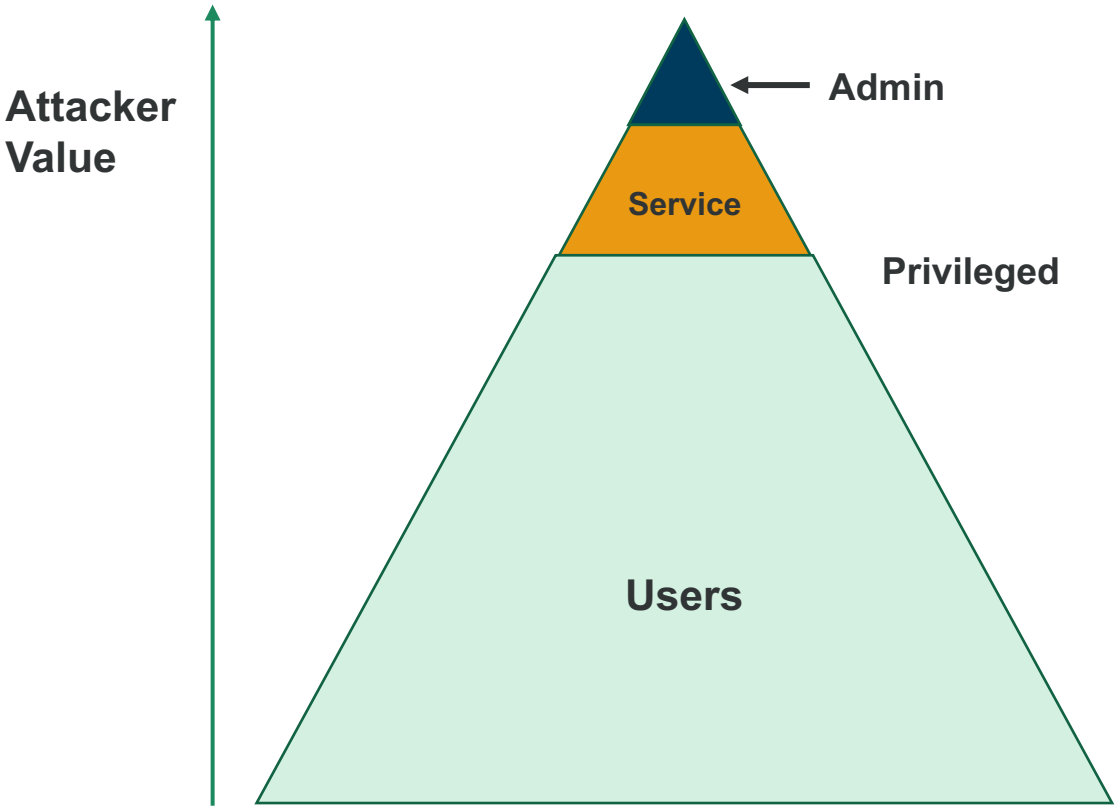
Threat

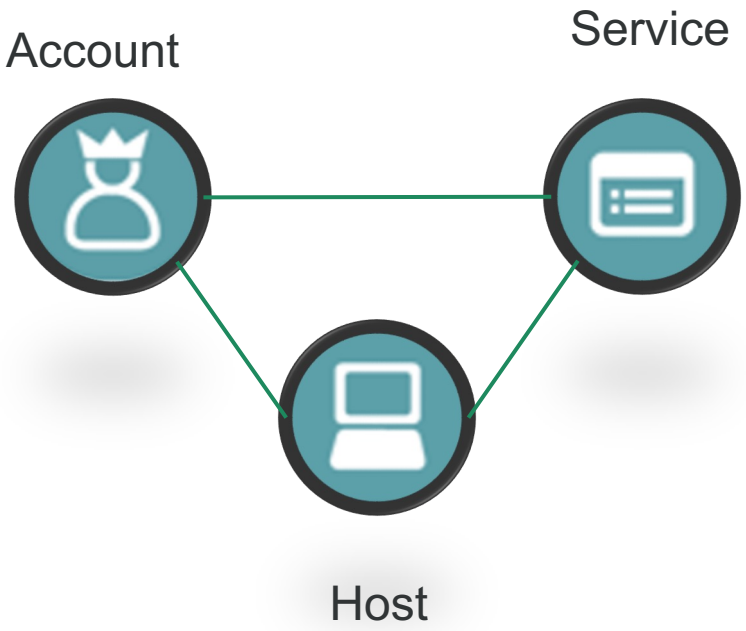
Certainty

SURICATA

Real-time detections
Enriched data

CONTEXTULIZING ACCESS CONTROL





- Map relationships
- Observe and learn privilege
- Detect useful anomalies

The admin with medium observed privilege that starts to access unusual high-privilege services will set off alarm bells in PAA. In a granted-privilege universe, this activity would be authorized.

ACCELERATE ZERO TRUST FOR PRIVILEGED ACCOUNTS

85% of attacks use stolen accounts – stop them now

Recent Activity

Expand All | Collapse All

ACCOUNT-HOST-SERVICE TRIO	FIRST SEEN	LAST SEEN
 Account: **cindy@corp.example.com** Host: **Cindy-Mac** Service: **MSSQLSvc/sqlsrv1.corp.example.com**	Feb 23rd 2024 21:33	Feb 23rd 2024 21:34

It is unusual for account: **cindy@corp.example.com** to be granted access to listed services

It is unusual for host: **Cindy-Mac** to be granted access to listed services

Expand All | Collapse All

SERVICE	OBSERVED PRIVILEGE	FIRST SEEN	LAST SEEN
MSSQLSvc/sqlsrv1.corp.example.com	—	Feb 23rd 2024 21:33	Feb 23rd 2024 21:34

Normal Behavior for this Service as of Feb 23rd 2024 21:34

It is normal for account: **hq-s-serviceacct@corp.example.com** to be granted access to this service

It is normal for account: **bob-admin@corp.example.com** to be granted access to this service

It is normal for account: **websvc@corp.example.com** to be granted access to this service

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ENHANCE DCO WITH AI/ML

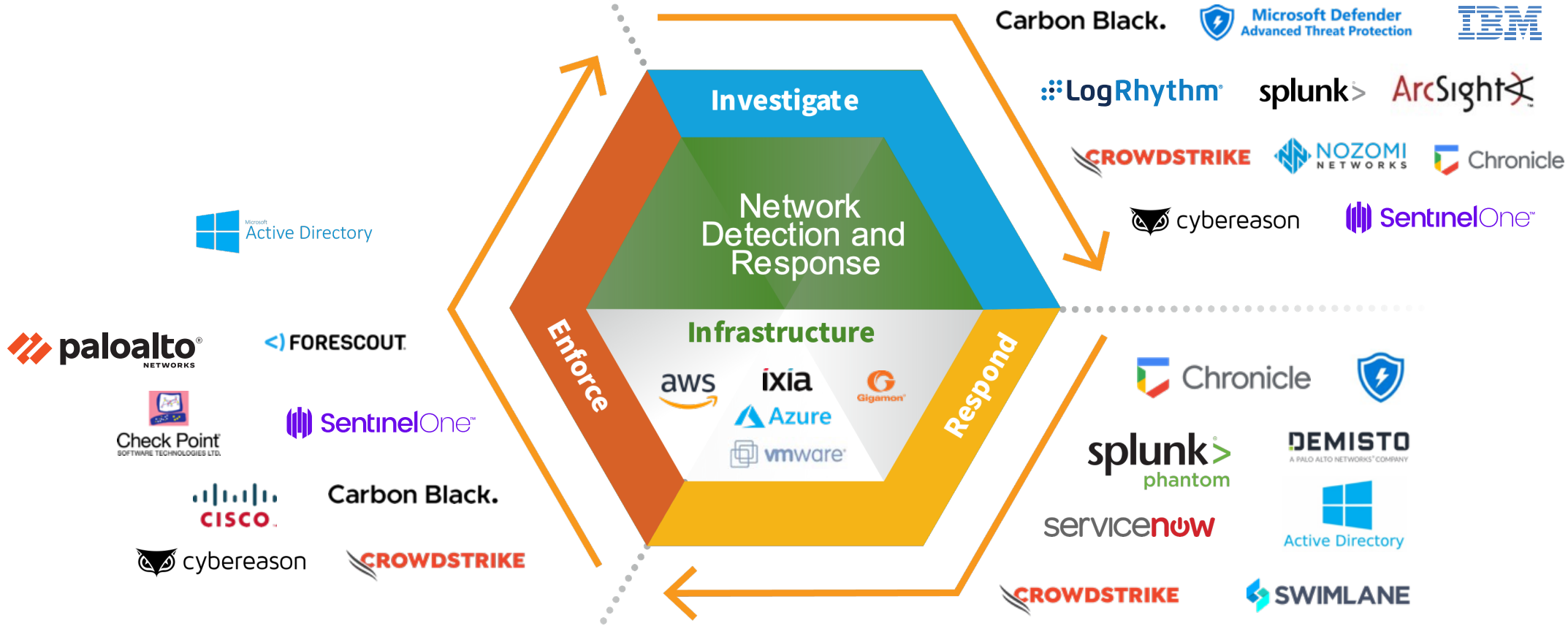
Ease of deployment and Integration

INCREASE DCO EFFICIENCY

- Align to the 1-10-60 framework
  - Close the MTTR gaps between 24/7 and non-24/7 DCO teams
  - Make DCO more efficient and effective

- Improve Red Team's positive impact on security capability and posture
  - Track red team/pen testing campaigns
  - Demonstrate ability to thwart malicious advesarial campaigns

INTEGRATES WITH SECURITY ECHOSYSTEM



Native integrations including EDR, SIEMs and orchestration tools

Open Robust API for customizable integrations

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Visibility across cloud, DC, and network

- Includes SaaS apps, IaaS, data center, enterprise network, and IoT devices

Identify threats targeting users and hosts, not just detections

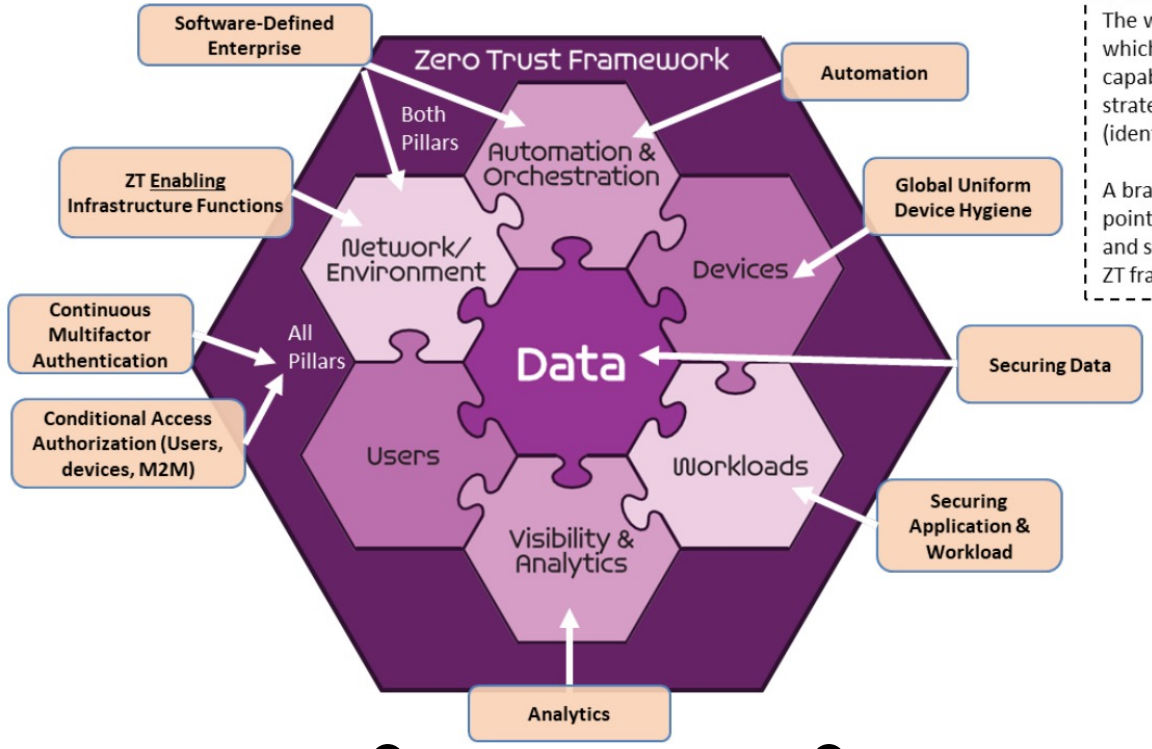
- 34x reduction in workload for Tier 1 analysts
- Automate response to network & endpoints

Ultra high signal-noise ratio to focus on what matters

- Identify attacker behavior, not signature or anomaly-based detections
- Even when the traffic is encrypted

Vectra Maps to DoD Zero Trust Principles

Direct correlation to security disciplines



The white arrows show which ZT aggregated capability acts on a group of strategic resources (identified as ZT Pillars).

A branch of capabilities may point to more than one pillar and some point to the entire ZT framework.

4. Data
4.4 Data Monitoring and Sensing

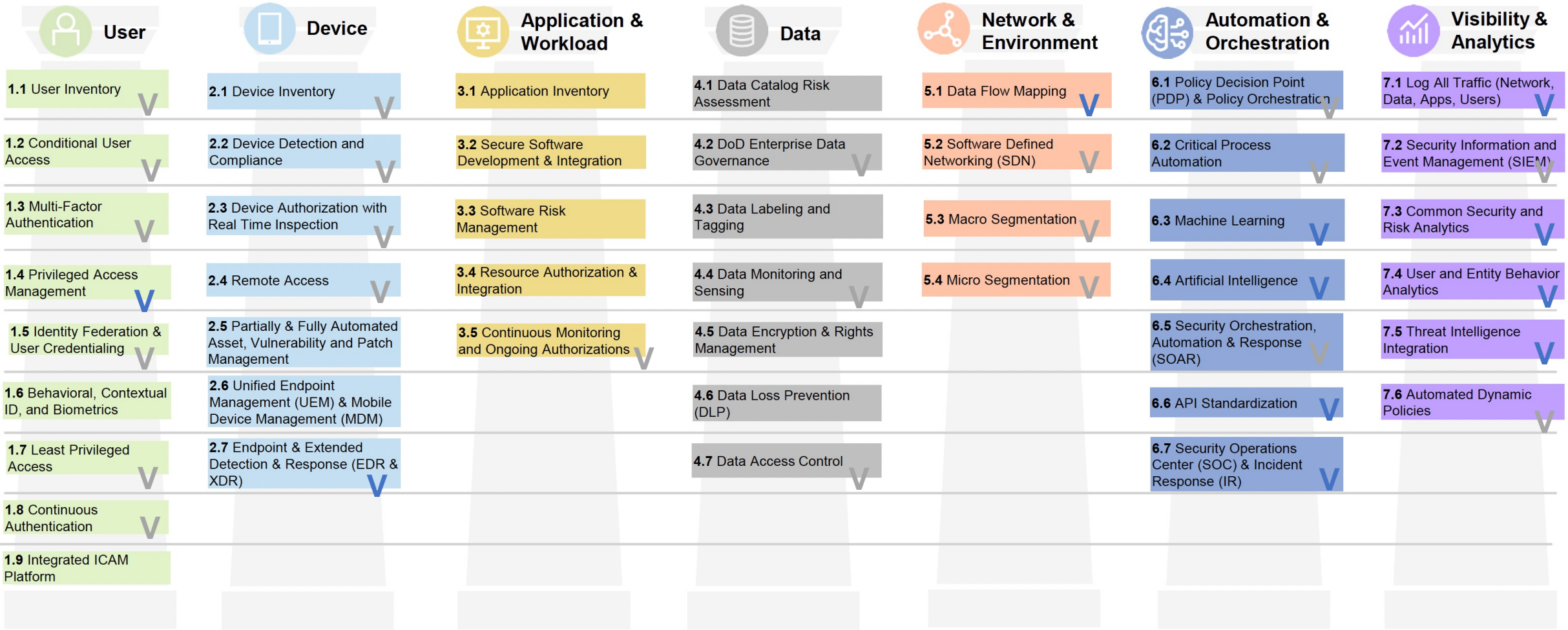
6. Automation & Orchestration
6.3 Machine Learning
6.4 Artificial Intelligence
6.7 Security Operations Center (SOC) & Incident Response (IR)

7. Visibility & Analytics
7.3 Common Security and Risk Analytics
7.4 User and Entity Behavior Analytics
7.5 Threat Intelligence Integration

ZT of the Future
We Support On-Prem Networks Today
We Support Cloud Today
We Support Hybrid Cloud Today
We Support Multi Cloud Today

ZT ARCHITECTURE

Macro View: Vectra-DoD Trust Capability Alignment



Vectra Meets

Vectra Supports/Integrated