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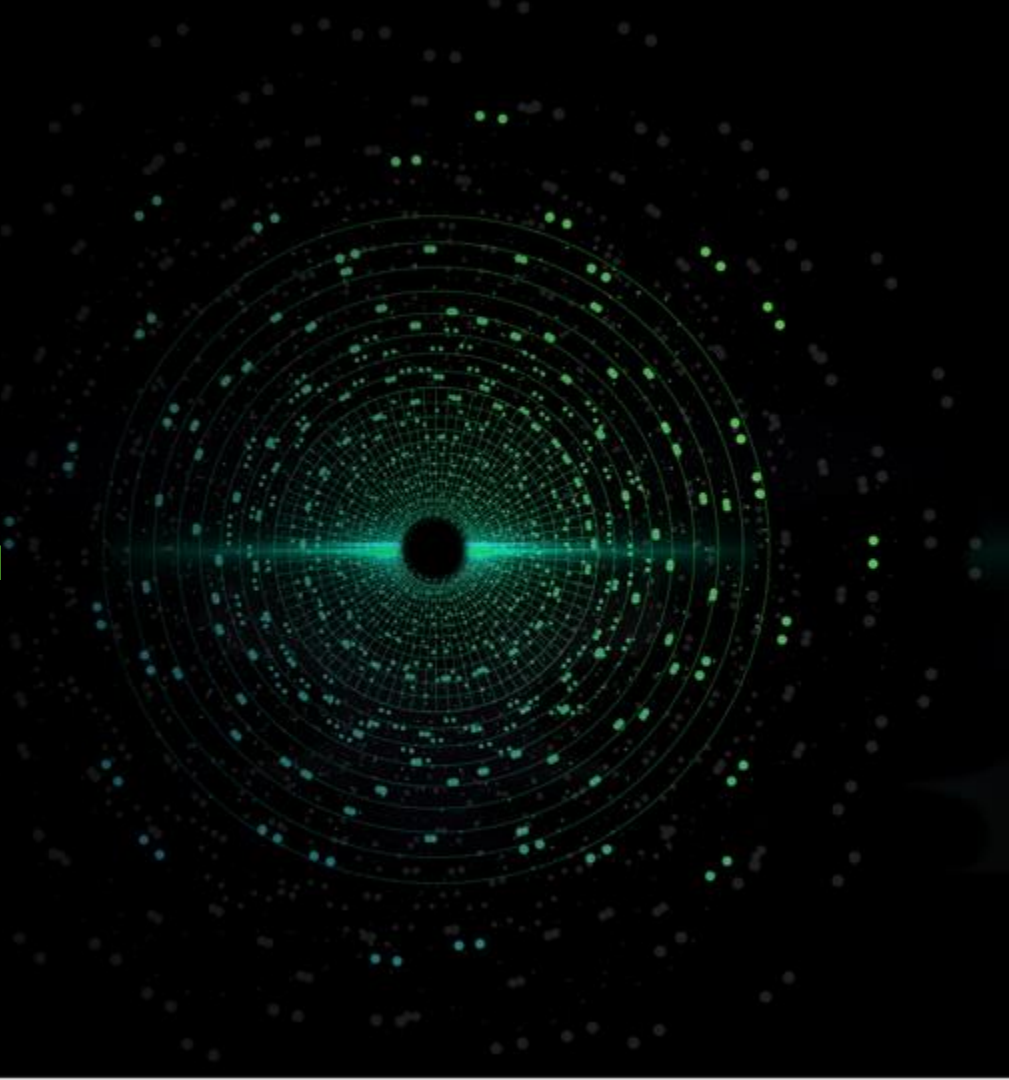


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THE REAL DEAL ABOUT AI

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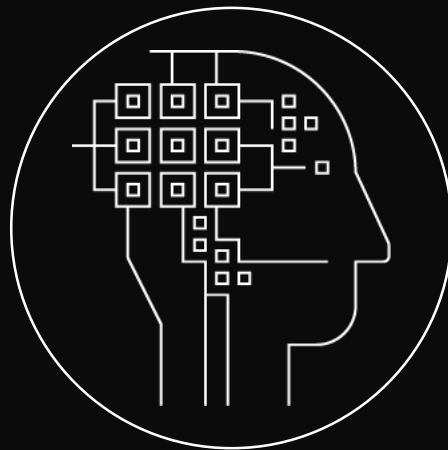


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# AGENDA

- Industry Challenges
- Why AI Tech
- Demo
- Q&A





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**INDUSTRY  
CHALLENGES**

# INDUSTRY CHALLENGES

## Areas AI Solves

- Zero Day Malware
- Fileless Attacks
- Management
- Scalability
- Old Operating Systems
- VDI
- Online Requirements
- And More

## WHAT WE DO



RELY ON AI AND ML



ANALYZE MALWARE  
AT THE DNA LEVEL



PREDICT AND  
PREVENT



BLOCK  
EXPLOITS  
AND SCRIPTS



ROOT CAUSE  
ANALYSIS



THREAT HUNTING  
AND VISIBILITY

## WHAT WE DON'T DO



SIGNATURES



RELY ON HUMAN  
GENERATED RULES



ALLOW THREATS TO  
EXECUTE



WHITELISTING



BEHAVIORAL  
ANALYSIS



SANDBOXING OR  
ISOLATION



CONSTANT  
UPDATING



REQUIRE ON-PREM  
INFRASTRUCTURE



CREATE NOISE



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**WHY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TECH**

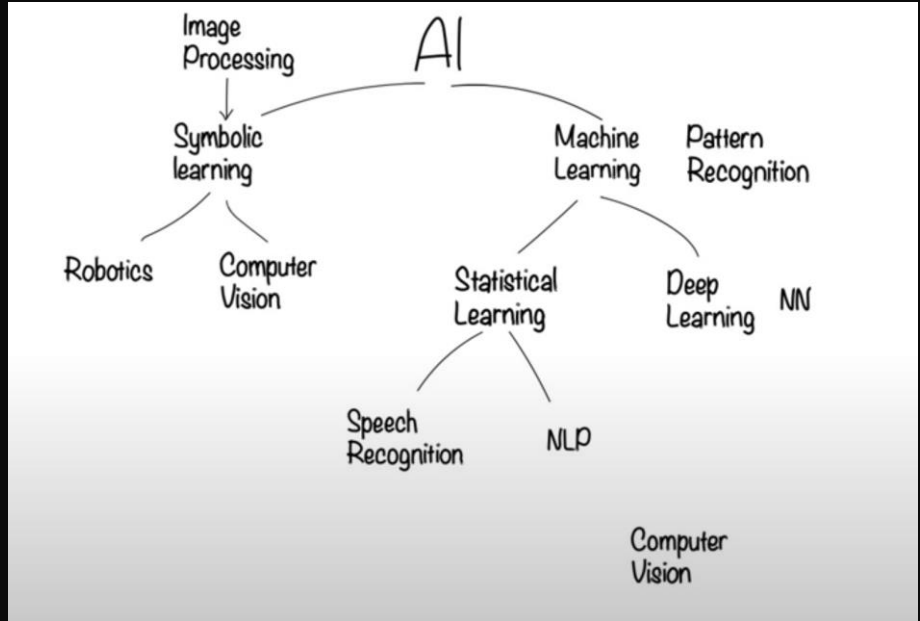
# HIGHLY USEFUL

- Aviation - Air Operations Division for combat training and tactical decision making
- Social issues - USC Center for AI in Society to address homelessness
- Finance – Wall Street
- Education – SHERLOCK intelligent tutoring systems
- Healthcare – Concept Processing in EMR software
- Agriculture – PEAT for detecting pests and soil defects at over 95% accuracy rate
- Technology – Programming, toys, transportation, and more
- Cybersecurity – The signature approach is no longer the most effective strategy

# WHAT IS AI?

## Artificial Intelligence vs. Machine Learning

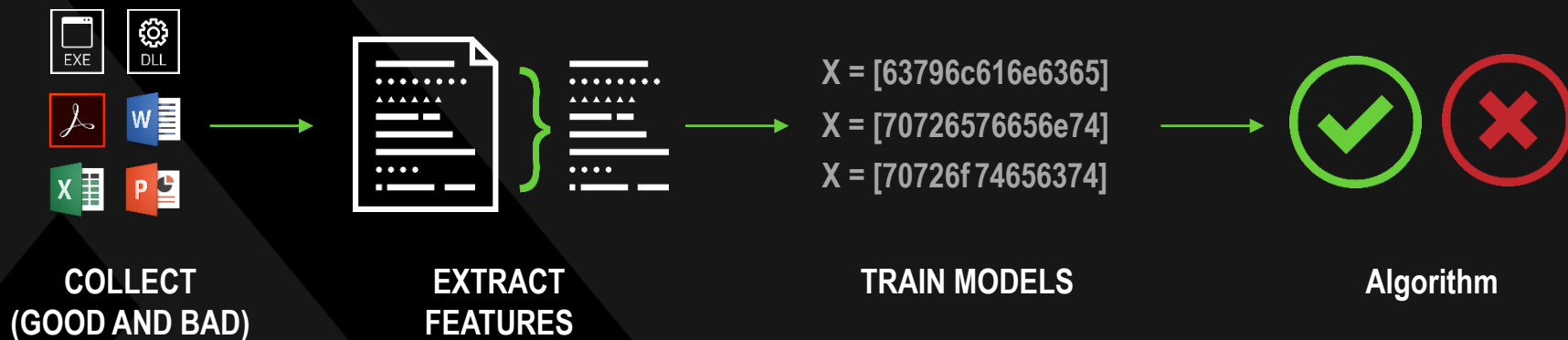
- 1950 | Alan Turing
- 90% | 2 years
- Artificial Intelligence
  - Making Smart Machines
  - Symbolic Learning
  - Generalized vs Narrow Intelligence
- Machine Learning
  - A branch of AI
  - Advanced Computational Statistics
  - Used for narrow problems
    - Optimization, Analysis, Prediction



\* Source: Raj Ramesh <https://youtu.be/2ePf9rue1Ao>



# HOW? ALGORITHMIC SCIENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING



# GENERATIONS OF AI

Gen	Runtime	Features & datasets	Human interactions	Robustness
1 <sup>st</sup>	Cloud training Cloud prediction	Small (<1000) number of features. Human hand-picked. Small number of samples (<1M). Human labeled.	Easily interpretable (small)	Trivial. Bypass in minutes.
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> gen + Local prediction	Medium (<100k) number of features. Human hand picked. Medium (<100M) number of samples. Mostly human labels with some heuristic labels.	Large uninterpretable Human association indicators (TTM)	Easy. Bypass in hours.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> gen + Cloud enhanced models	Large (<3M) number of features. Mostly heuristic labels with some human labels. Large (1B+) number of samples. Mostly heuristics with some human labels.	Some interpretability w/ accurate visualization.	Moderate. Bypass in days.
4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen + Local training	Active learning, feature suggestions.	Human feedback into model building.	Difficult. Bypass in weeks.
5 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> gen + unsupervised local training	Semi-supervised feature discovery and data collection.	Human feedback optional; model provides interpretable insights	Extremely Difficult. Bypass in months.

# WHY COMPANIES CHOOSE OUR AI



## Effectiveness

- 14.5 million endpoints protected
- Very low false positive rate
- Malware executables
- Fileless & memory malware
- Advanced persistent threats
- Zero days attacks



## Simplicity

- Replaces traditional AV
- Remove unnecessary layers
- Reduce help desk calls and system re-imaging
- Stop emergency patching



## Performance

- Lightweight agent
- User systems run faster
- Extends hardware lifespan
- Network bandwidth reduction

# EXAMPLES OF PREDICTIVE PREVENTION

CylancePROTECT detects and PREVENTS attacks months before they are seen “in the wild”

- 3400 active subscription customers
- Millions & millions of threats prevented
- More than 1.4 million threat features recognized by our models
- Our predictive model is able to detect and prevent malware on average **25 months before** it is found in the real world

# Demo



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**STATISTICS FOR THOUGHT**

# CYBERSECURITY SUPPORTS THE BUSINESS

- Lowers company risk
- Due diligence
- Mergers and acquisitions



# ABOUT US

## Corporate Snapshot

- Founded in 2012 by Stuart McClure and Ryan Permeh
- SANS Award - Best Endpoint Protection 2016
- “Fastest-growing EPP startup in the past ten years”  
- Gartner 2016
- Named CNBC Disruptor 50 List 2016 (#40) and 2017 (#9)
- Forbes Cloud 100 List (#23)
- Inc. Magazine “Top 15 Company” (#2) 2017

## Data Science Investment

- 17 Data Scientists | 34 total degrees | 10 PhDs
- **Fortune Top 10 in A.I. Investment** (behind Amazon, Google, Microsoft, Facebook, NVIDIA, GE)
- Numerous Patents
  - AI/ML
  - Security
  - Forensics





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**QUESTIONS AND  
ANSWERS**

# REFERENCES AND RECOMMENDED READING

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