

# Validating Your Defenses with MITRE ATT&CK

How to test your security with Cortex XDR and  
SafeBreach, using MITRE ATT&CK



# Agenda



MITRE ATT&CK  
Framework &  
Evaluations



ATT&CK Round  
4 Results



SafeBreach  
and Cortex  
Integration



Q&A

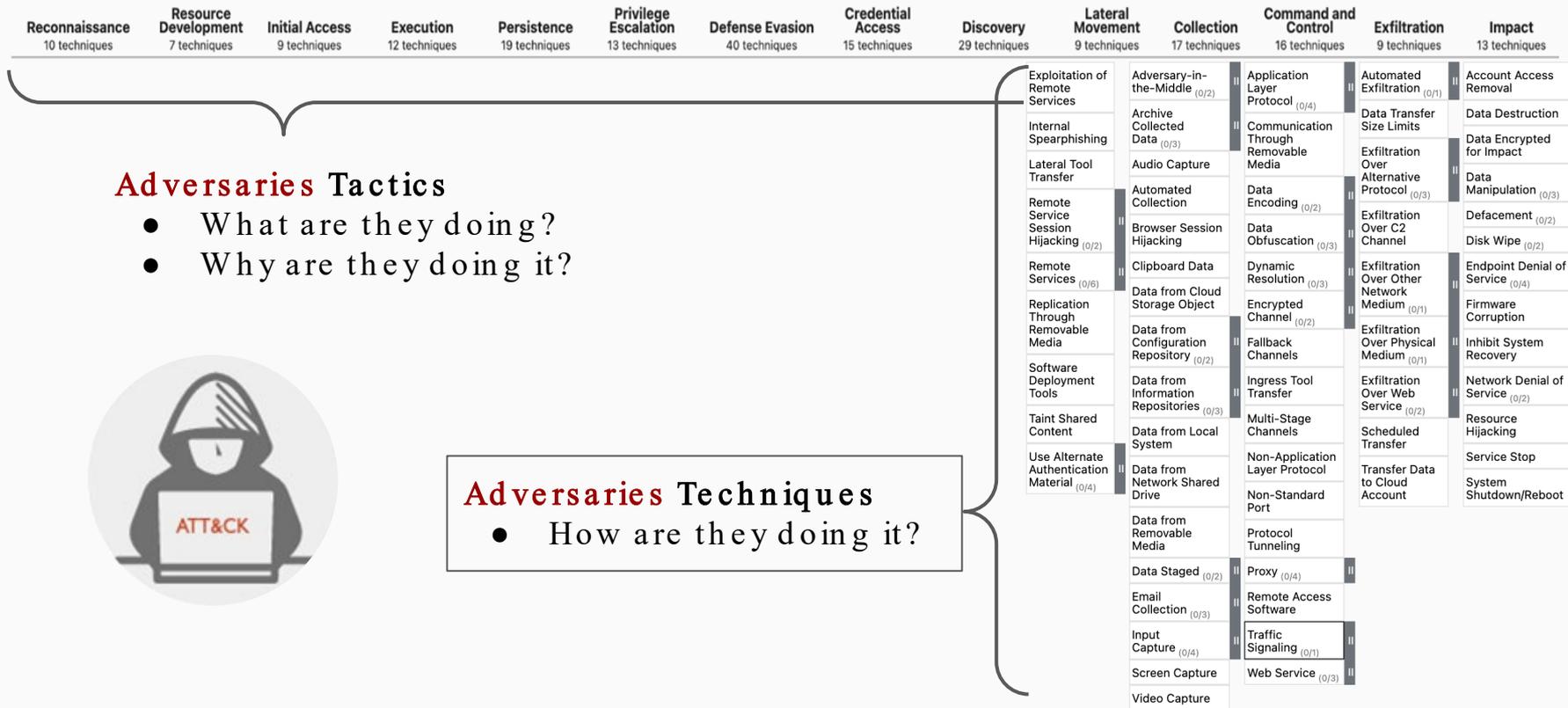
# About the MITRE ATT&CK Framework & Evaluations

# The MITRE ATT&CK Framework

- The MITRE ATT&CK Framework has become the standard for how the security world communicates about adversaries and their techniques
- ATT&CK stands for Adversarial Tactics, Techniques & Common Knowledge



# MITRE Enterprise ATT&CK Framework



## Adversaries Tactics

- What are they doing?
- Why are they doing it?



## Adversaries Techniques

- How are they doing it?

# MITRE Engenuity ATT&CK Evaluations

- **Motivation behind the ATT&CK Evaluations?**
  - “Vendors are using ATT&CK to articulate their capabilities, but there is no neutral authority to evaluate their claims”
- **What ARE the ATT&CK Evaluations?**
  - Open, transparent & objective. Methodology and results published openly and clearly
  - Evaluates both Protection and Detection efficacy (Protection starting round 3)
  - Simply a compilation of the detections MITRE Engenuity observes in response to an emulated adversary's tactics and techniques
- **What are they NOT?**
  - Not designed to address noise or false positives
  - Not meant to be a competitive analysis that produces a score
  - No rankings or ratings



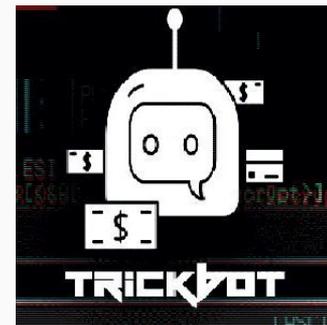
A man with a beard and glasses is shown in profile, looking at a computer monitor. The monitor displays green text on a dark background, resembling code or data. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the glow from the screen. The text on the screen is partially legible, showing lines of code and some graphical elements like a bar chart.

Enterprise 4  
Evaluations

Wizard  
Spider &  
Sandworm

## Enterprise 4 Adversaries: Wizard Spider

- Russia-based - Financially motivated
- Also Known As:
  - [MITRE ATT&CK Group ID: G0008](#)
  - Grim Spider, UNC1878, TEMP.MixMaster
- Known For:
  - [Conti ransomware](#)
  - [TrickBot](#)
  - [Ryuk Ransomware](#)
  - [CISA Alert](#): Ransomware campaign against US Hospitals
  - Linked to Russia through TrickBot Leaks



# A Closer Look at Conti Ransomware Used by Wizard Spider

144% 

AVERAGE DEMAND  
IN 2021

78% 

AVERAGE PAYMENT  
IN 2021

## 2022 Unit 42 Ransomware Threat Report

Understand trends and tactics to bolster defenses.

Figure 11: Sectors and industries most heavily targeted by ransomware (leak site data)

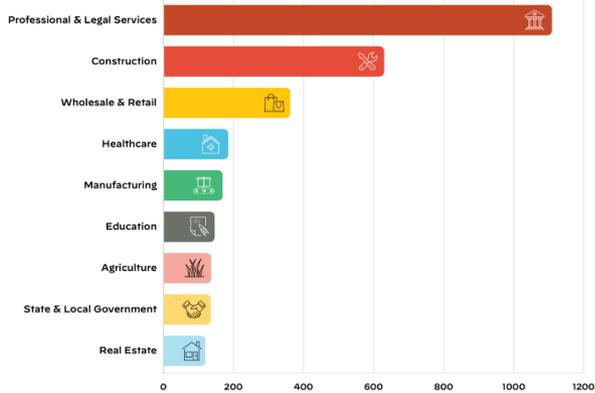
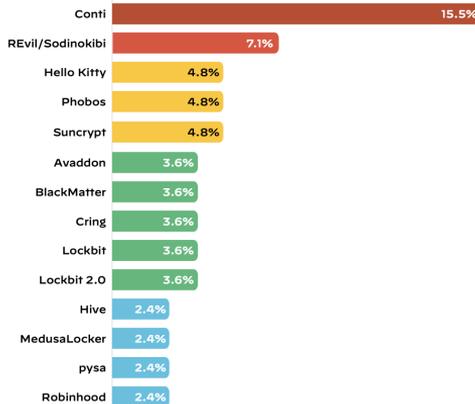


Figure 4: Most active ransomware variant in 2021 –  
Unit 42 incident response data



Conti stands out as one of the most ruthless ransomware gangs since their emergence in 2020.

\$118,114

2020 INITIAL  
(ONLY OBSERVED)  
RANSOM DEMAND

\$50K

MARCH 2021 INITIAL  
RANSOM DEMAND

\$1.78M

AVERAGE 2021  
RANSOM DEMAND

\$3M

TOP 2021 REQUEST

## Enterprise 4 Adversaries: Sandworm



- Russia-based destructive threat group
- Also Known As:
  - [ATT&CK Group ID: G0034](#)
  - Russia's General Staff Main Intelligence Directorate (GRU) Main Center for Special Technologies (GTsST) military unit 74455.
  - ELECTRUM, Telebots, IRON VIKING, BlackEnergy, Quedagh, VOODOO BEAR
- Known For:
  - 2015-2016 Attacks against Ukrainian Electrical Infrastructure
  - 2017 [NotPetya](#) Attacks
  - 2018 [Olympic Destroyer](#) South Korea
  - 2022 Linked to [Hermetic Wiper](#)

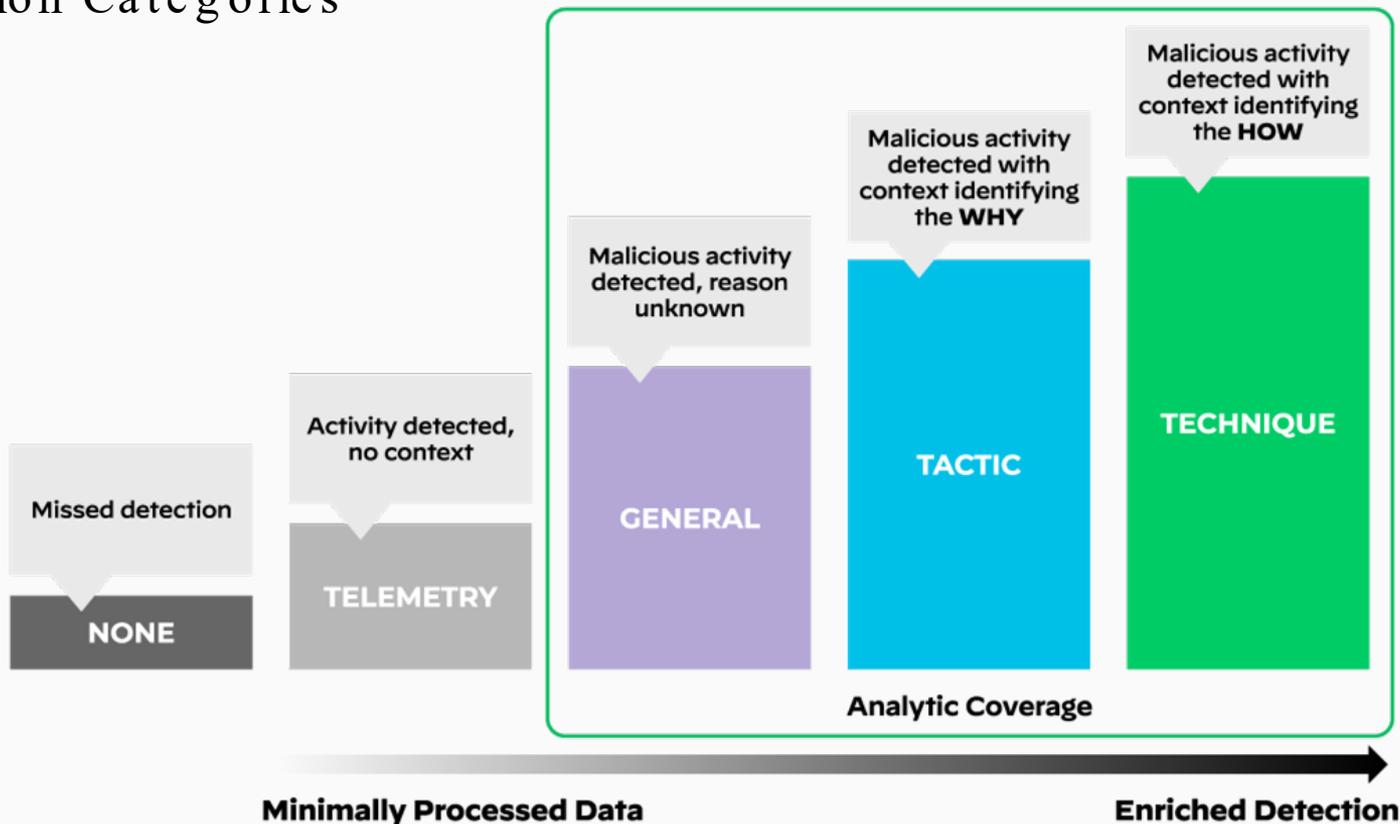


# Enterprise 4 Evaluations

## Cortex XDR Results



# MITRE Engenuity Detection Categories



# MITRE Engenuity Enterprise 4 ATT&CK Evaluation Results: Cortex XDR



## Wizard Spider and Sandworm

Enterprise Evaluation 2022

RESULTS



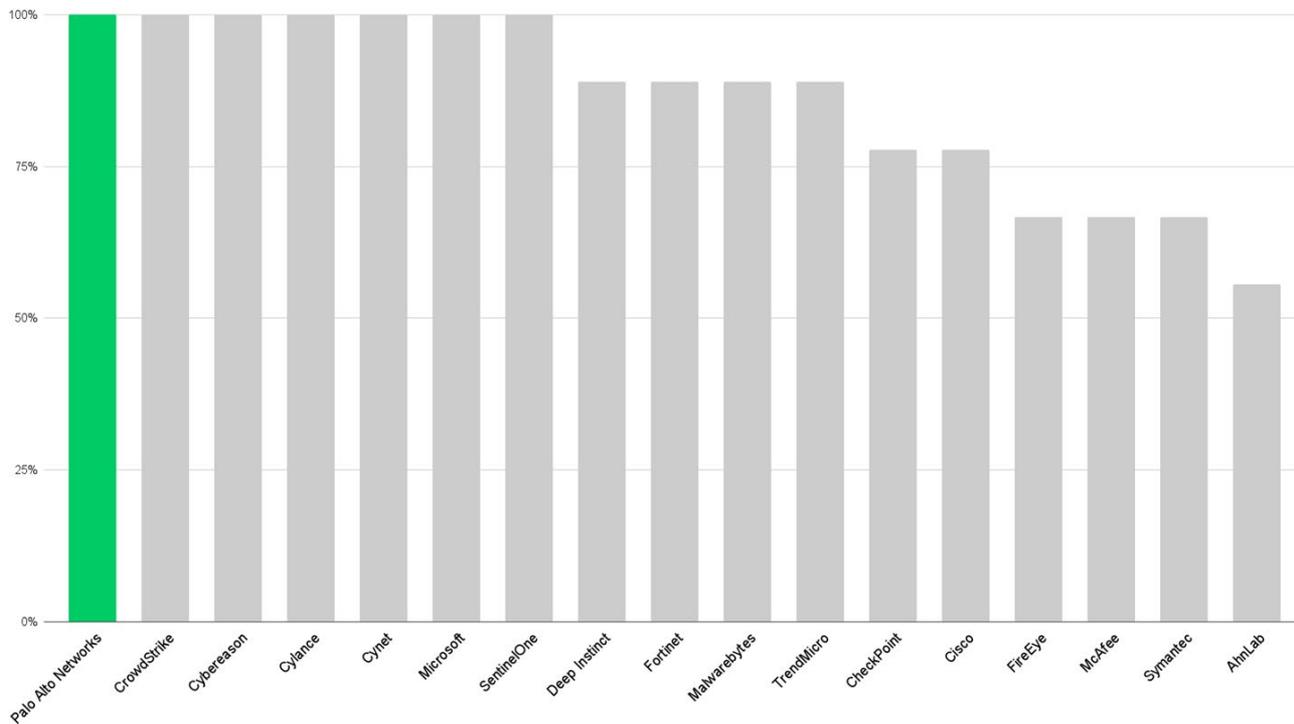
## Cortex XDR Results:

- 100% Prevention in the Protection evaluation (9 of 9)
- 100% Detection of all attack steps (19 of 19)
- 98.2% Analytic Coverage (107 of 109 attack substeps)
- 98.2% Technique-Level Detections (107 of 109 attack substeps)
- 98.2% Visibility (107 of 109 attack substeps)

# Protection Evaluation

# Enterprise 4 Eval: Protection

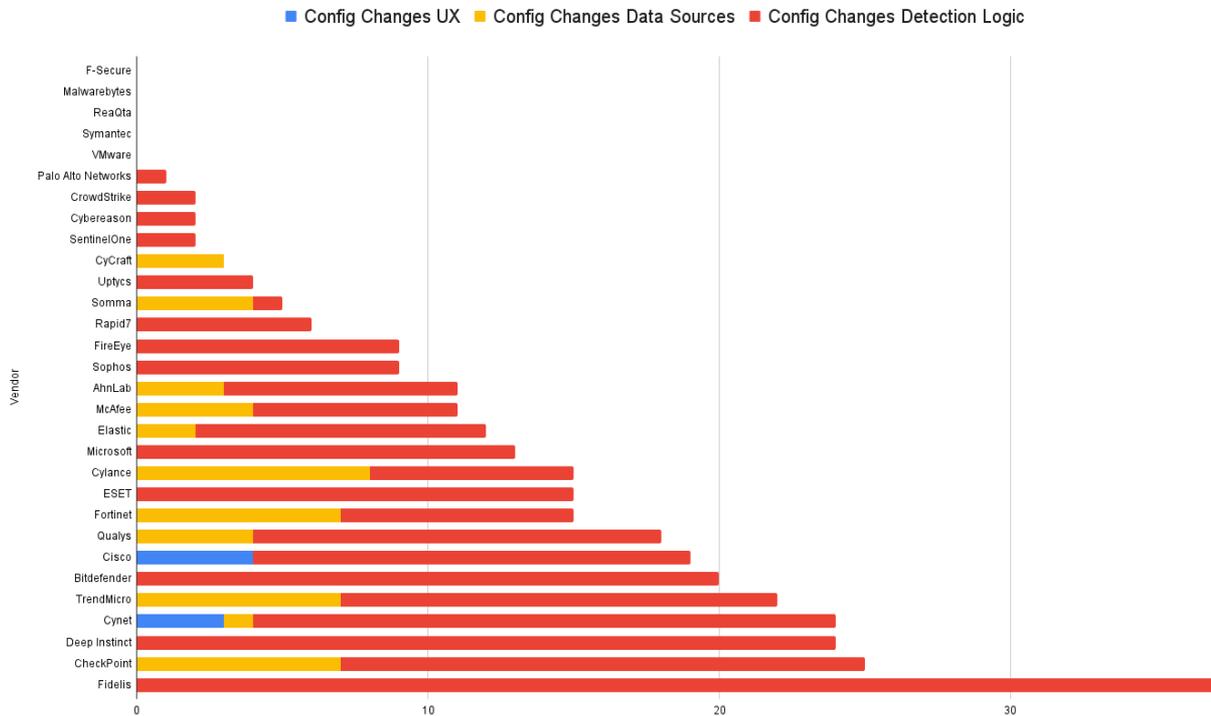
Enterprise 4 Evaluation: Protection Efficacy



# Out of the Box Results (Config Changes Excluded)

# Configuration Changes

## Enterprise 4 Evaluation: Vendor Config Changes

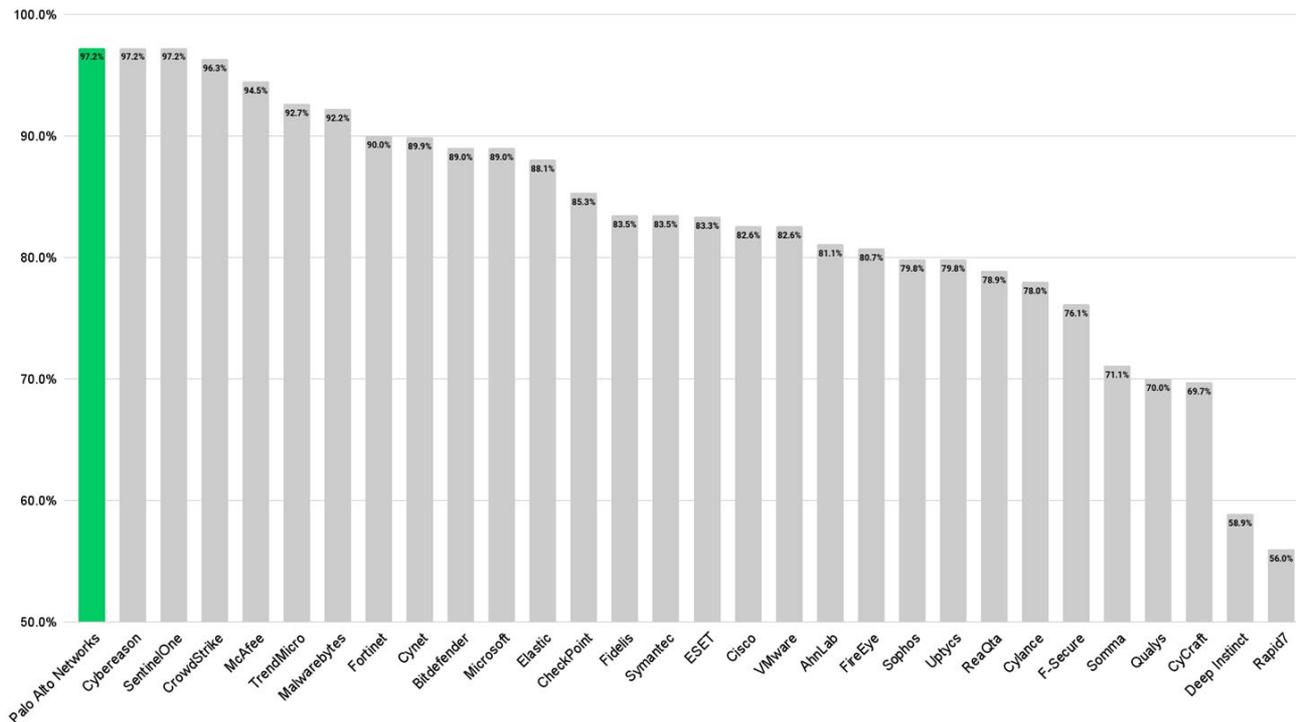


MITRE Engenuity identified detections that were based on configuration changes.

Be wary of solutions that required a high number of configuration changes to produce their results.

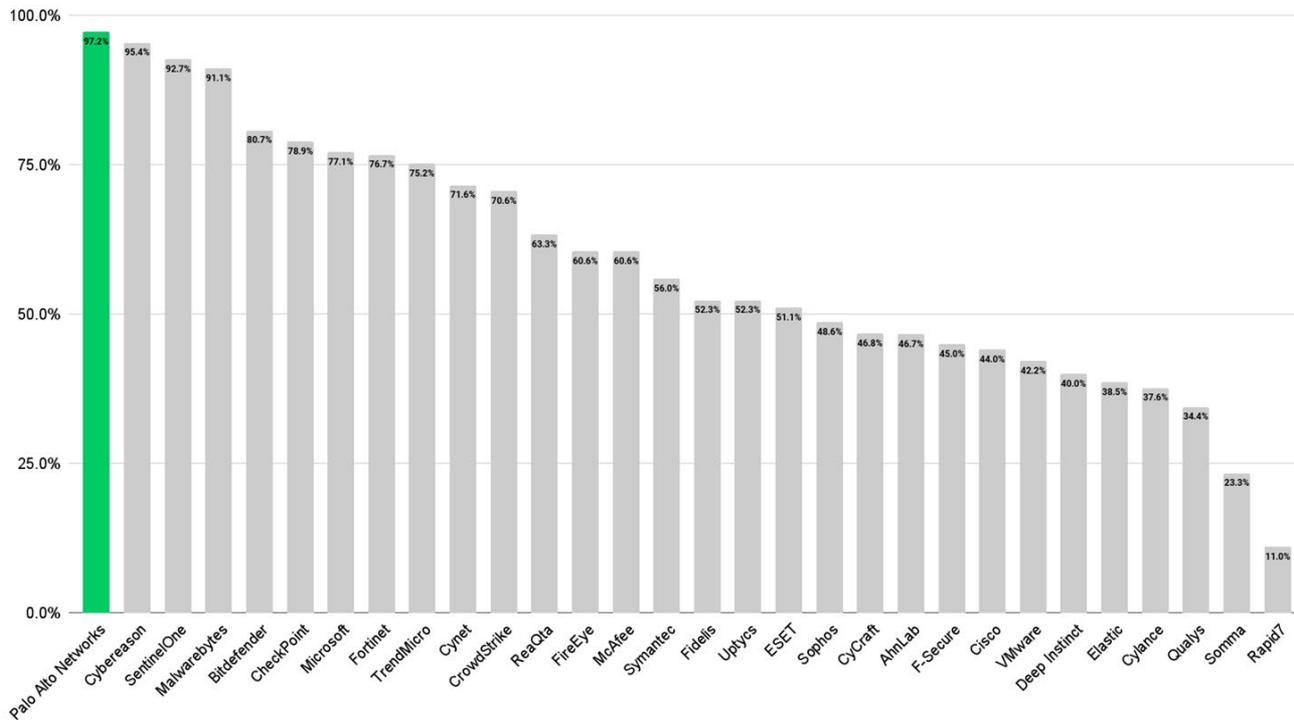
# Enterprise 4 Eval: Visibility (Config Changes Excluded)

Enterprise 4 Evaluation: Visibility (Configuration Changes Not Counted)



# Enterprise 4 Eval: Technique Detections (Config Changes Excluded)

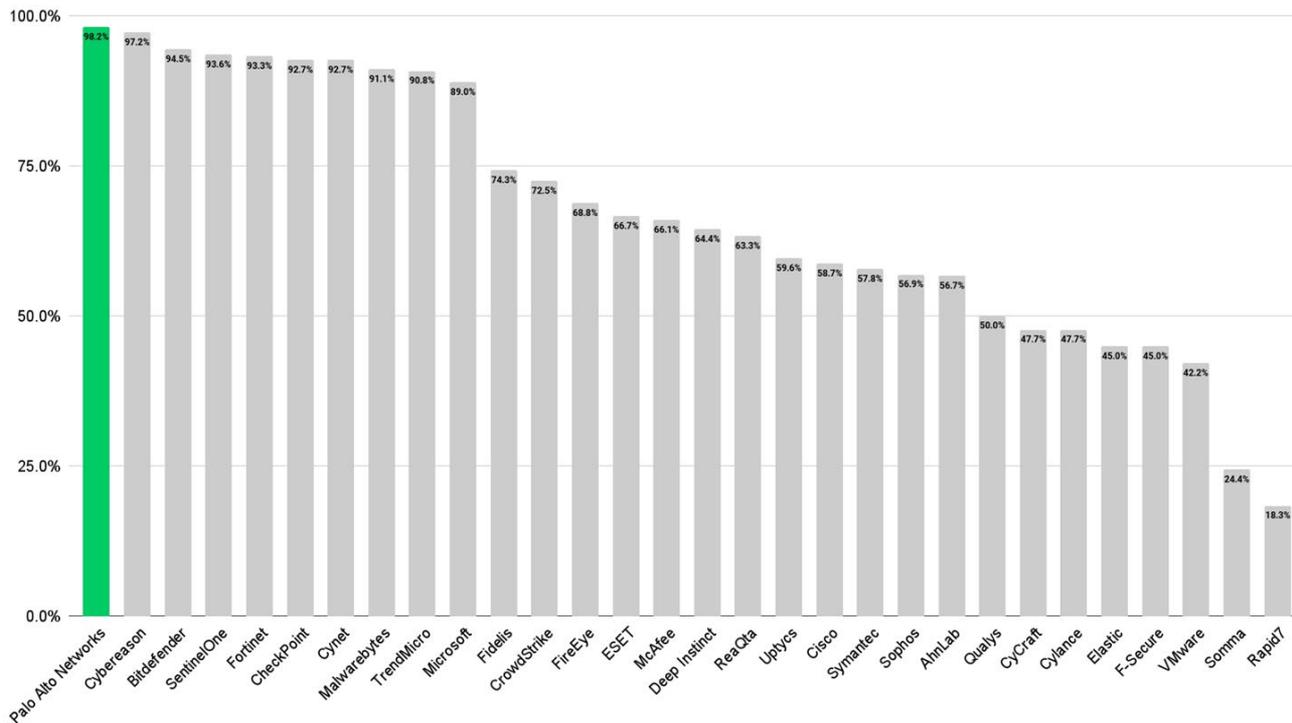
Enterprise 4 Evaluation: Technique Detections (Configuration Changes Not Counted)



# Configuration Changes Included

# Enterprise 4 Eval: Technique Detections (With Config Changes)

Enterprise 4 Evaluation: Technique Detections (Config Changes Included)



# Cortex XDR and Cortex XSOAR

# Why SecOps Teams Need a New Approach



Too many alerts

**11,047**  
*alerts a day*



Too many tools

**45**  
*point products*

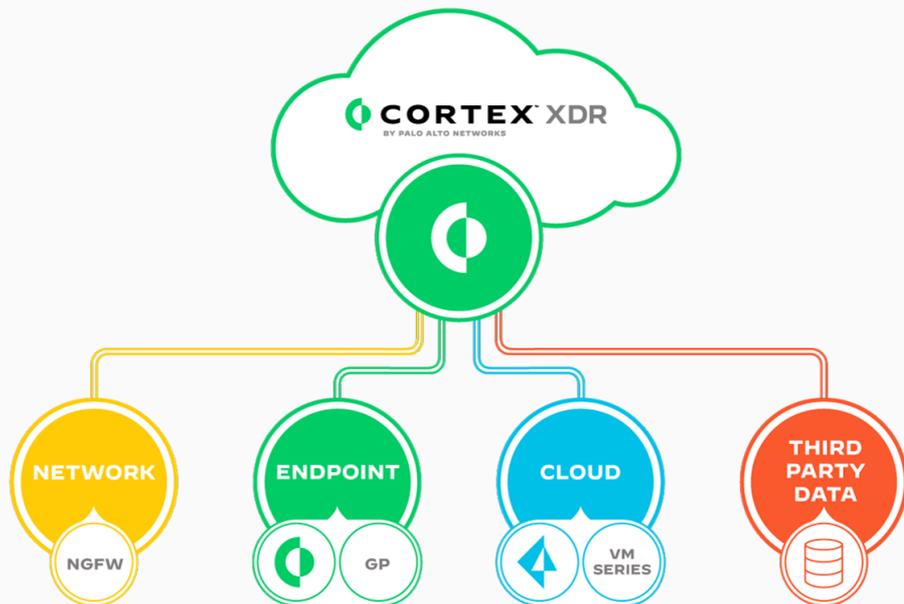


Too many missed attacks

**\$4.2M**  
*average cost of a breach*



# Cortex XDR Stops Ransomware & Advanced Threats



Find stealthy attacks with AI & cross-data analytics

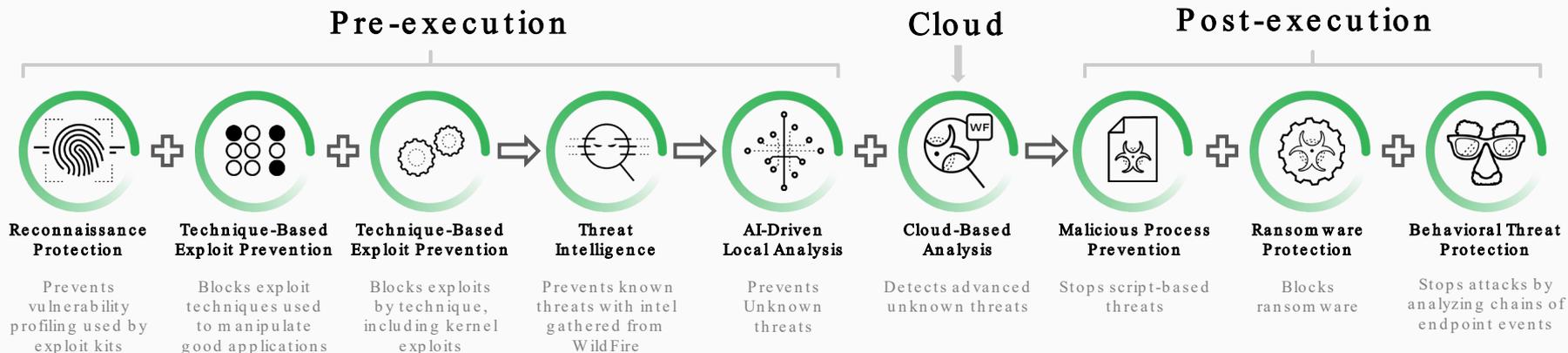


Quickly investigate with root cause analysis



Contain any threat with coordinated response

# Comprehensive Endpoint Protection



Device control, disk encryption and firewall reduce attack surface

Optional AV scanning and on-prem broker for compliance

Behavioral Threat Protection to block evasive & fileless attacks

# Cortex XSOAR



700+  
Third-party  
tools



SIEM



Tools



People



API



Playbook-driven automation



Marketplace



Automation &  
Orchestration



Real-time  
Collaboration



Case  
Management



Threat Intel  
Management



Alerts



Threat  
Intel feeds



SIEM



Cortex XDR



Mail



Other Sources



ISAC



Open Source



Premium



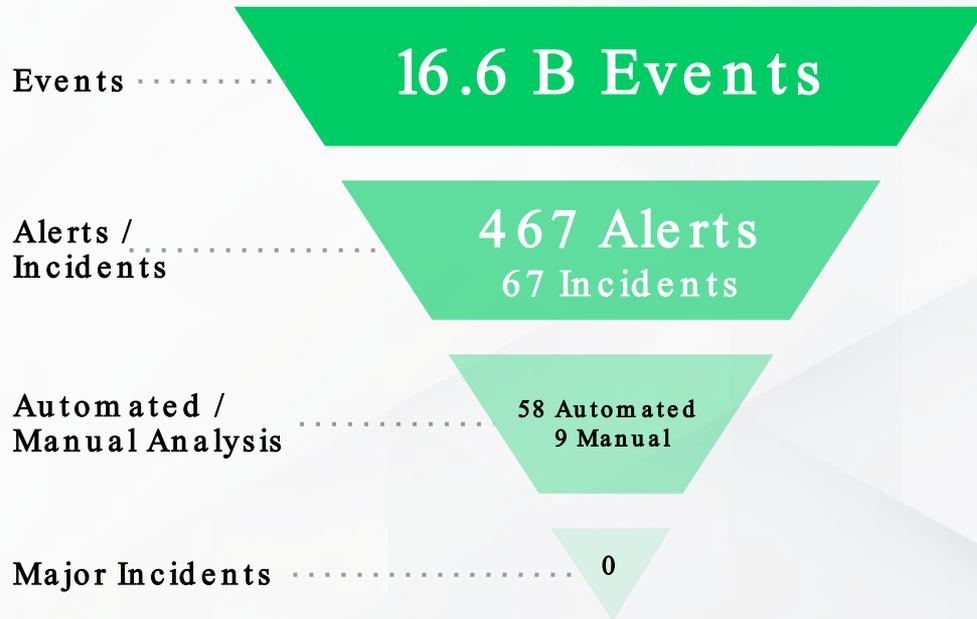
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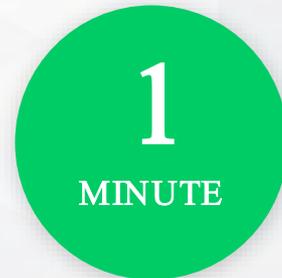
Community

# Palo Alto Networks SOC achieves a 1-minute response time

## DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE PALO ALTO NETWORKS SOC



Mean Time to Detect

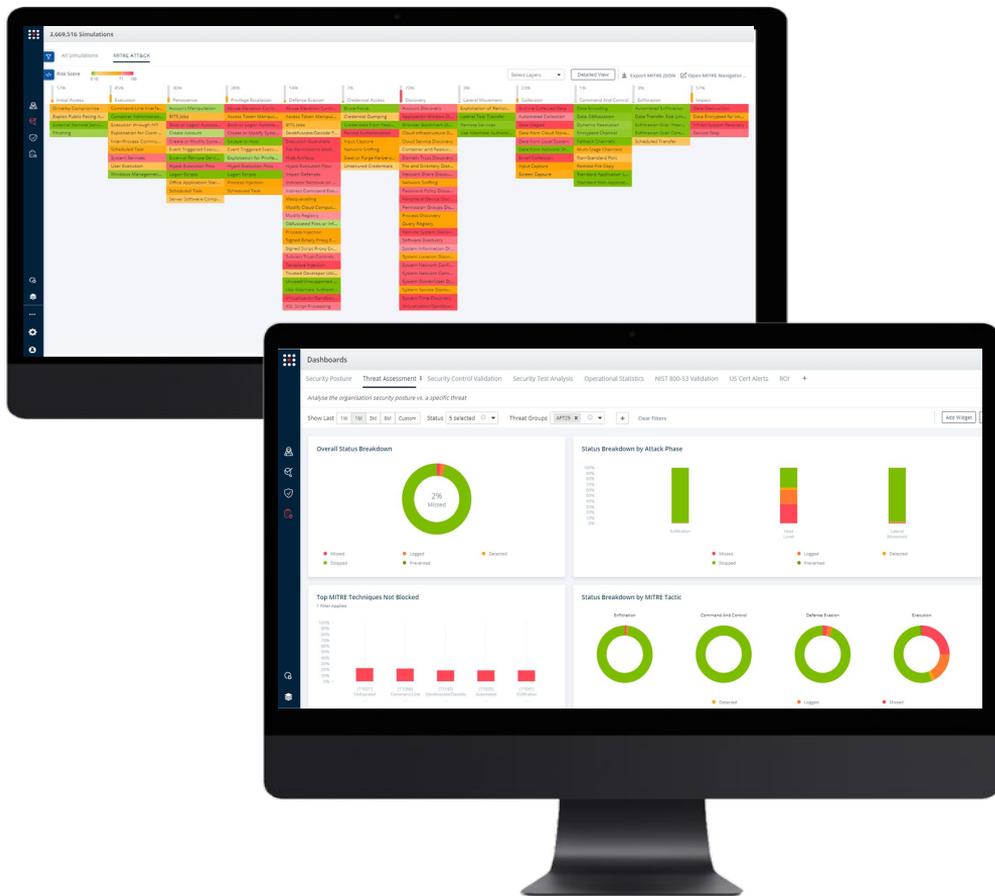


Mean Time to Respond  
(High priority)

# Palo Alto Networks Cortex and SafeBreach

# Visualize Your Posture with MITRE ATT&CK Details

- MITRE ATT&CK Heat Map
- Risk Score
- Explorer View of Kill Chain
- Executive Dashboards



# SafeBreach - Cortex XSOAR Integration

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## Closed-Loop Automated Breach Remediation



### Discover security gaps

with continuous  
breach simulation



### Remediate and validate

missed IOCs  
automatically



### Maximize the value

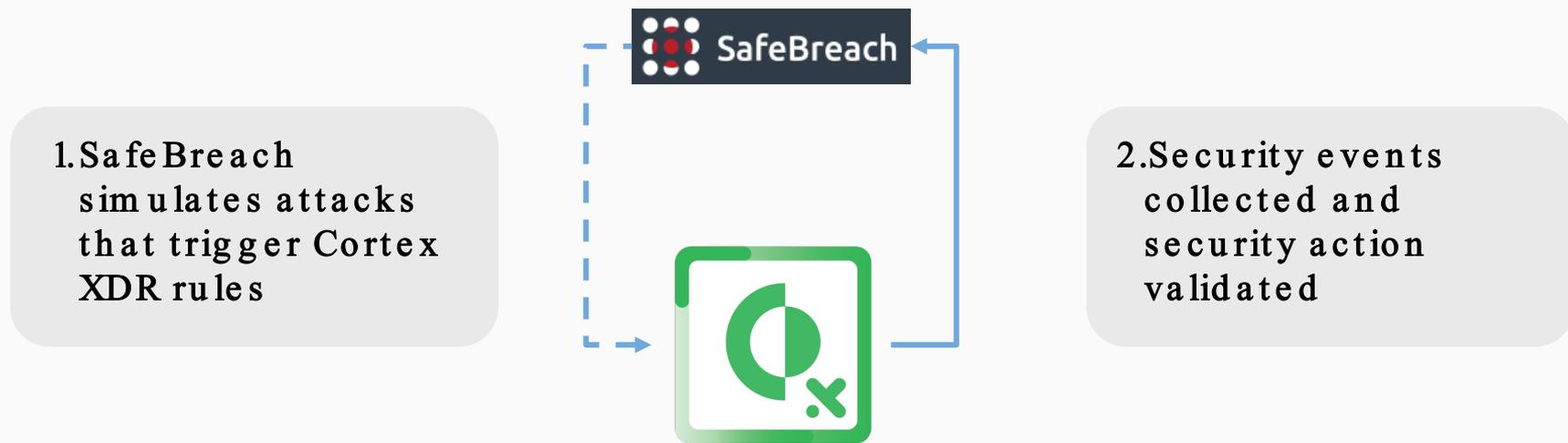
of your existing  
security controls

 **SafeBreach**

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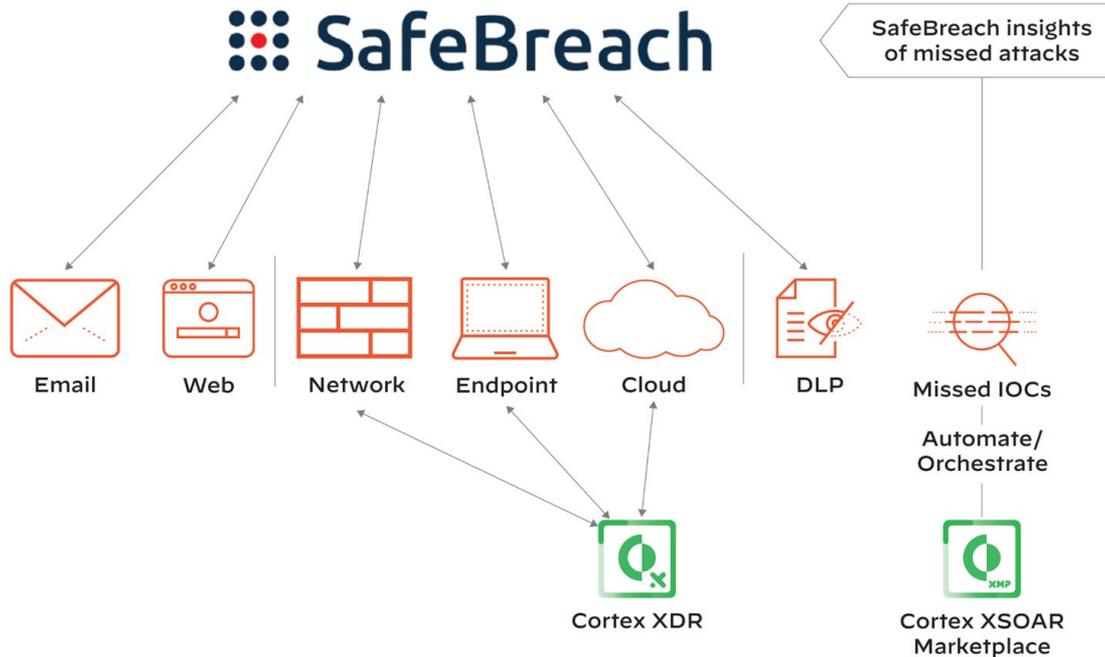
 **CORTEX™  
XSOAR**  
BY PALO ALTO NETWORKS

## Cortex XDR and SafeBreach Integration



- Provide unparalleled visibility into endpoint security performance
- Continuously execute attacks to baseline, monitor, and detect any deviation in coverage.
- Optimize endpoint configurations with SafeBreach Insight remediations.

# Simplify Configuration Updates with Cortex XSOAR & Cortex XDR



- Automate test attacks against Cortex XDR endpoints with a Cortex XSOAR content pack:
  - Identify which IOCs were not blocked
  - Automatically remediate unblocked IOCs
  - Rerun attack scenarios to ensure all security gaps are addressed.
- Streamline configuration updates with XSOAR playbooks.

# Questions?



# Thank You

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