



The Critical Role of Deception in Security Automation

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Deception Definition

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noun

1.the action of deceiving someone.

"obtaining property by deception"

•a thing that deceives.

"a range of elaborate deceptions"



synonyms:

deceit, deceitfulness, duplicity, double-dealing, fraud, cheating, trickery, chicanery, deviousness, slyness, wiliness, guile, bluff, lying, pretense, treachery;



Everyday Deception



Dating



Cinema



Magic



Gambling



Online



Fools Gold



Why Cyber Deception: Preventative Solutions Fail

You Know the Problem (Breakout Time & Dwell Time)

You have on average 4 ½ Hours to stop a breach:

- Before a nation-state attacker moves laterally
- Before they create more beach-heads in your enterprise
- Before they potentially get to their objective

On average, global dwell time is 101 days:

- Before an adversary is detected in an environment
- And much worse in many regions outside North America
- Before Containment of the breach even begins

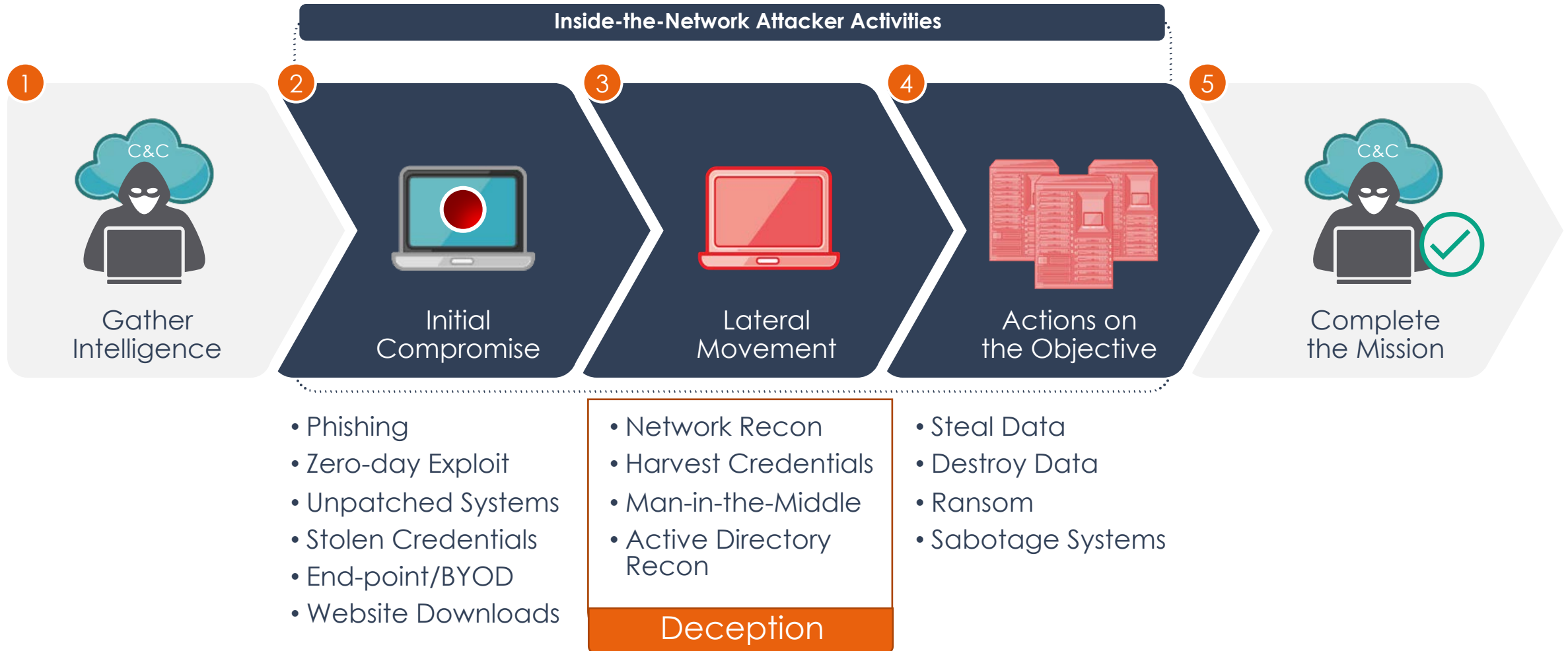
***CrowdStrike 2019 Global Threat Report**

***FireEye/Mandiant 2018 M-Trends Report**

Key Takeaway: Preventative technology strategies are not working.







Current Detection Gaps

Attackers Are Bypassing Prevention and Evading Detection



Security Detection Challenges

Deception Technology: Closes the Detection Deficit

| Challenges | Deception-Based Solution |
|--|--|
|  Lateral Movement Threat Detection | In-network: Recon, Credential Harvest; Slowing of Attack |
|  Credential Theft Based Attack | Detect Endpoint & Domain Credential Theft; Attack Path Visibility |
|  Ransomware | Detection, Analysis, Interaction to Slow Attack |
|  Evolving Attack Surface | SCADA, IOT, POS, SWIFT, Telecom, Router Decoy Cloud: AWS, Azure, OpenStack |
|  Compliance, Breach Investigation, M&A Visibility | Compliance and Forensics; Pen Test, Evaluate Latent Threats |
|  Skills Shortage and Ability to Respond to Incident | Easy to deploy and Operationalize Automated Attack Analysis and Incident Response |

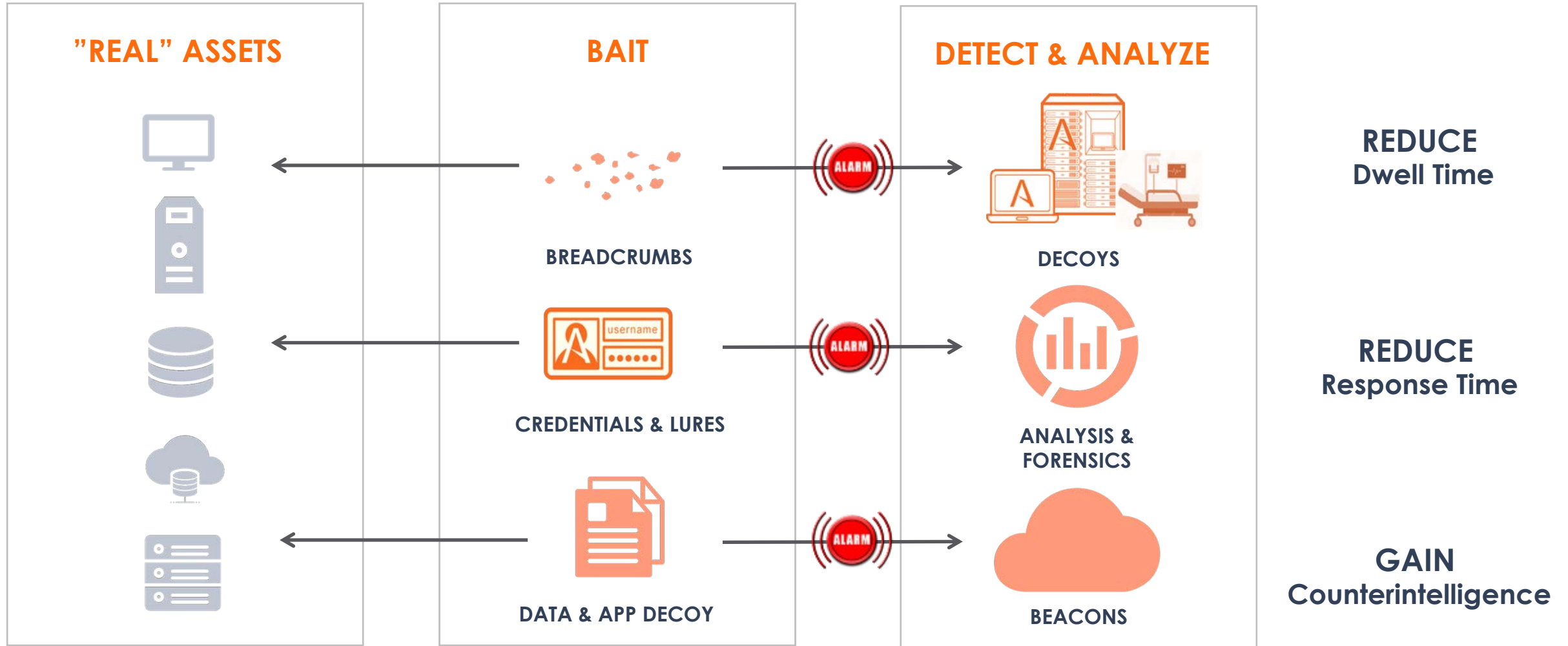
Closes the Detection Gap with Accurate Detection and Threat Visibility

Defeating Modern Attackers Requires A New Strategy

Arm the Defender

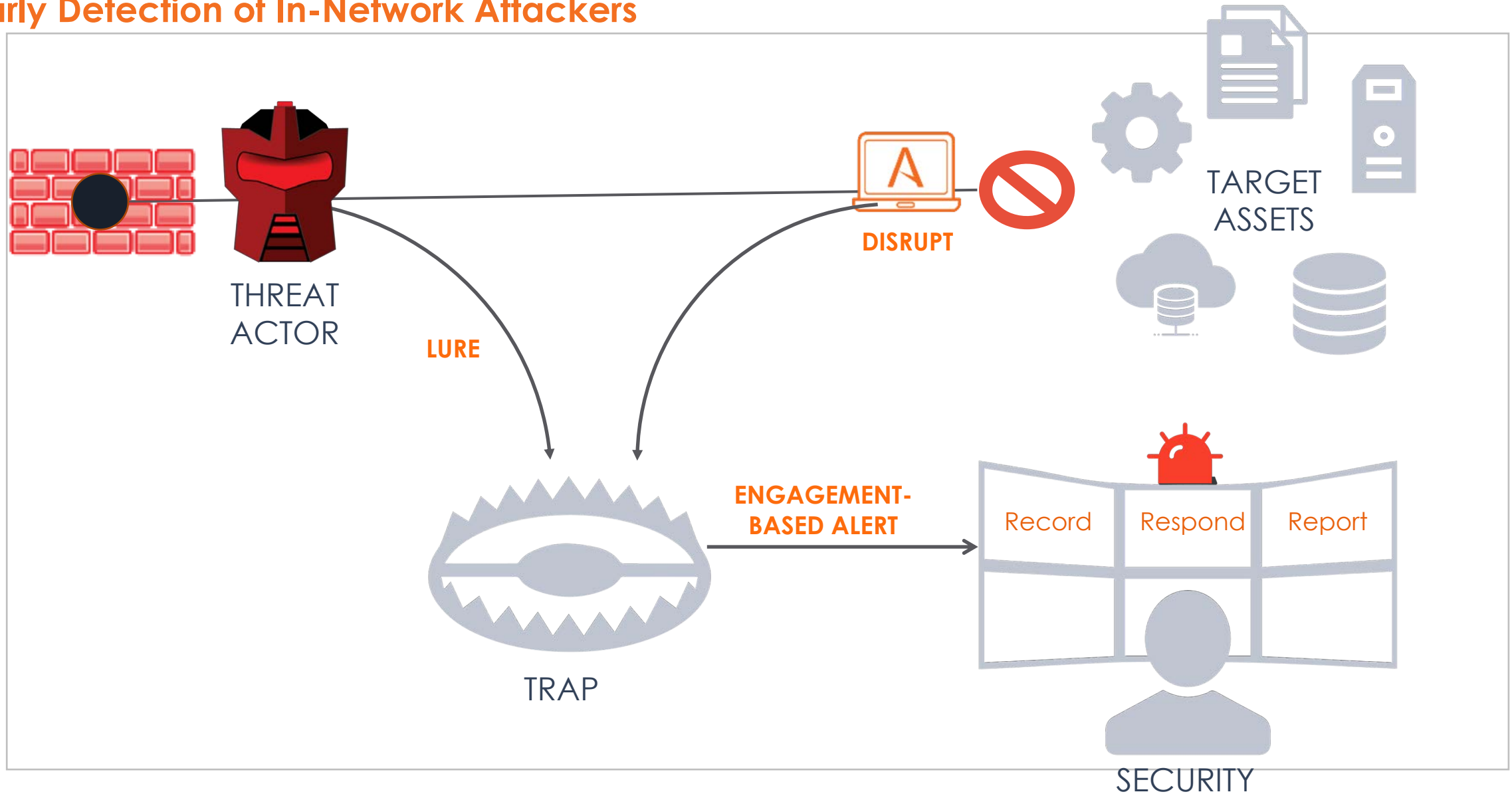


DECEPTION ARCHITECTURE



How Deception for Threat Detection Works

Early Detection of In-Network Attackers



Obscuring Your Infrastructure

Confuse and Misdirect to Make the Attacker's Job Harder



Production Servers

Before Deception



Production Servers



Multiple Decoy Servers

With Deception



Production Servers

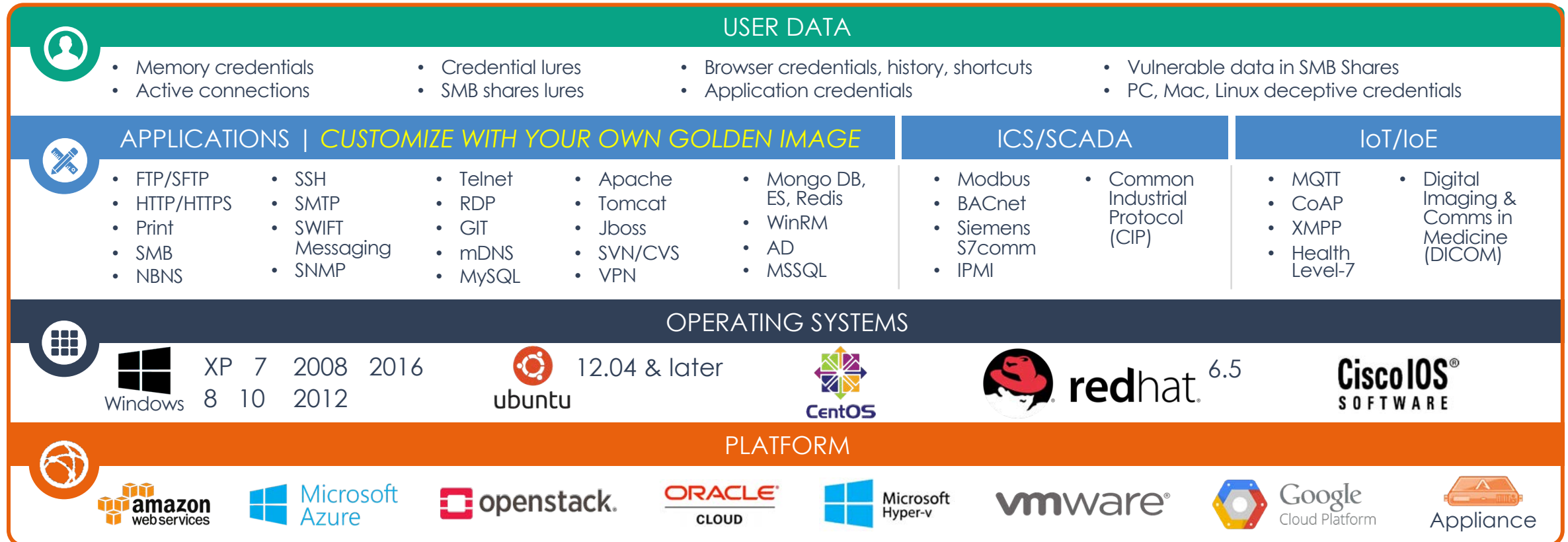


What Attacker Sees With Deception

Deception Platform: Believability

High-interaction decoys appear identical to production company assets

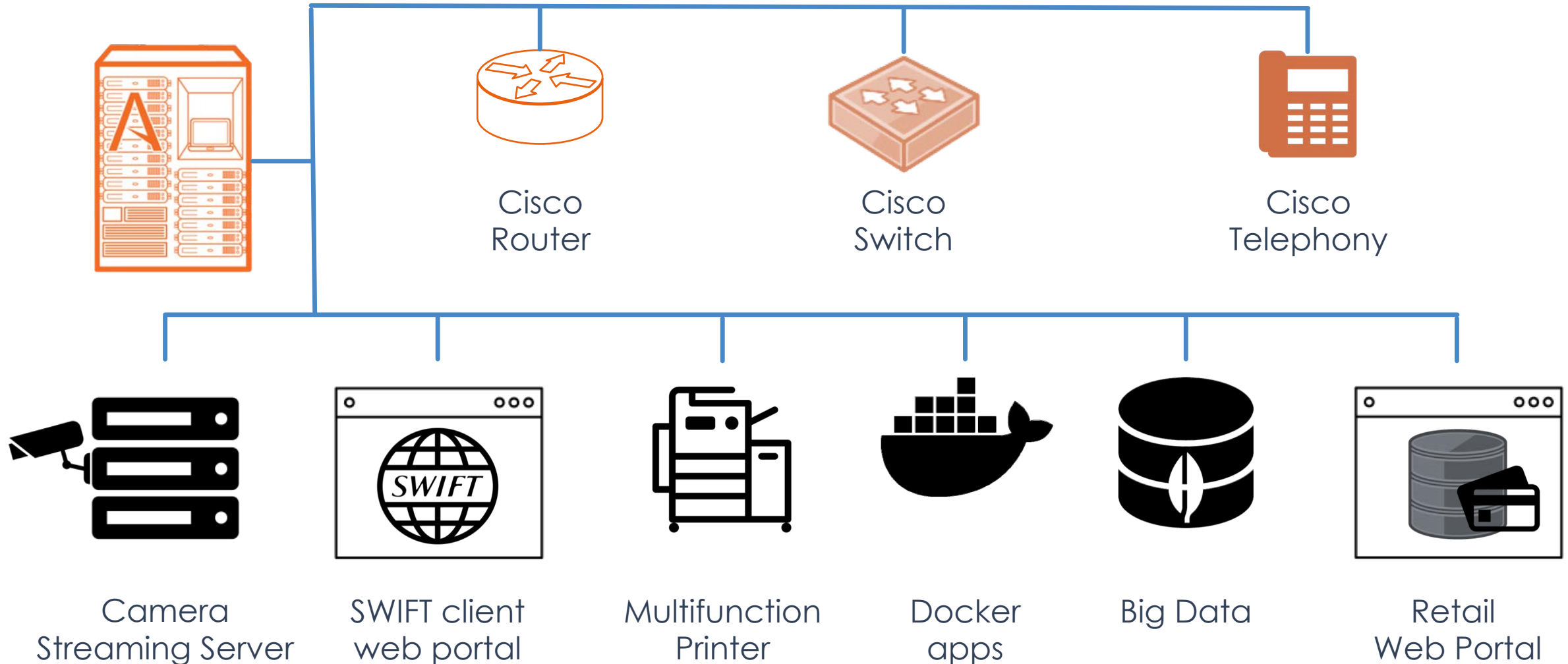
50+ campaigns



The BOTsink Addresses Evolving Attack Surface with Authentic and Attractive Deception

Unconventional Attack Surface Deceptions

Expanded Decoy and Deception Portfolio



Comprehensive Threat Intelligence

Threat Visibility With Actionable Dashboards

Reporting and Analysis

👁 Centralized Threat Intelligence

🔗 Kill Chain Attack Analysis

📖 Attack TTP Information

💻 VM Management & Monitoring

🌐 Network Visibility (VLAN details)

📊 Reporting UI, PCAP files, Syslog, IOC, and CSV formats



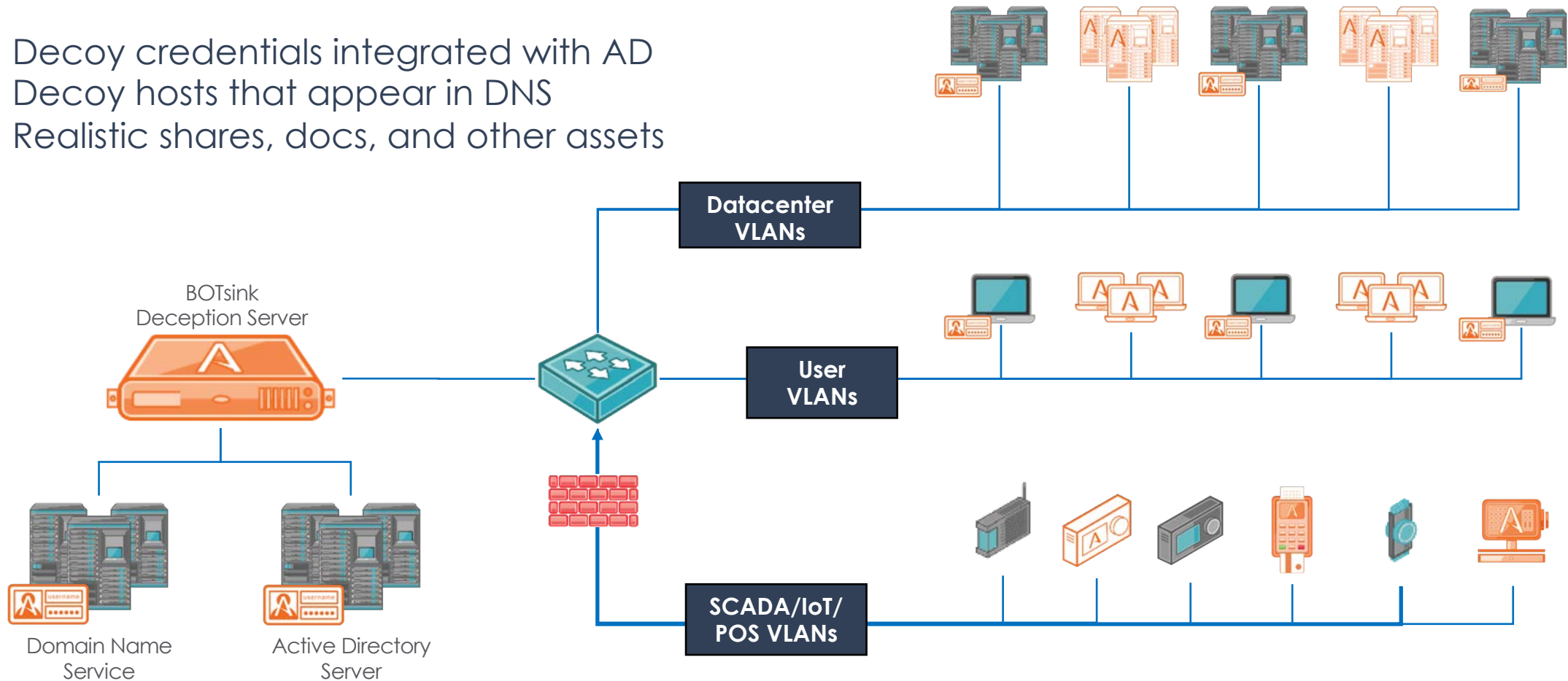
✓ Basic & advanced
✓ Role-based views

Automatic Deployment

Identify the Threat Space, Adapt, then Automatically Deploy Decoys and Lures

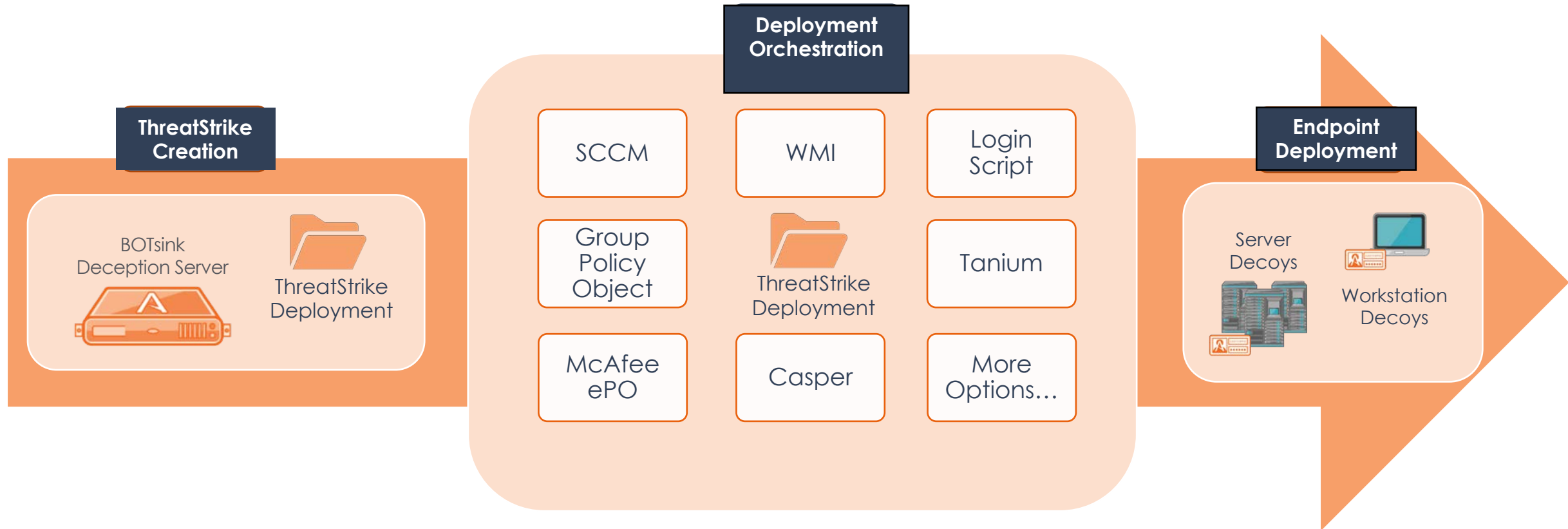
Realistic credentials and assets

- Decoy credentials integrated with AD
- Decoy hosts that appear in DNS
- Realistic shares, docs, and other assets



ThreatStrike™ Deployment Flexibility

Supports Multiple Deployment Methods



QuickDeploy

Self-Learning Deployment

Machine learn and auto-deploy based on existing environment

Deception Creation

- 1 Select options for automated creation
- 2 Initiate learning
- 3 Review proposed deceptive content
- 4 Auto deploy



Automatically created & customized:

Self Learn Configuration > Endpoint Campaigns

Active Directory Servers

| # | FQDN/IP Server | Domain Name | Port | Enabled |
|---|----------------|-------------|------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | 10.16.1.236 | attiva.corp | 389 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | 10.16.1.56 | abc.corp | 389 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

DNS Server

What is your primary DNS server?

What is your secondary DNS server?

Advanced

Configuration Approve Deploy

Self Learn Configuration > Network Campaigns

DHCP Configuration

Do you want to acquire DHCP IP addresses? ☒ Yes ☐ No

What is the maximum number of IP addresses to acquire across subnets?

What is the maximum number of IP addresses to acquire per subnet?

Hint: 12 VLANs discovered in your network

Advanced

Endpoint credentials - Agentless

- Lures & decoy campaign families
- Services
- Domains & hostnames
- MAC addresses

Decoys

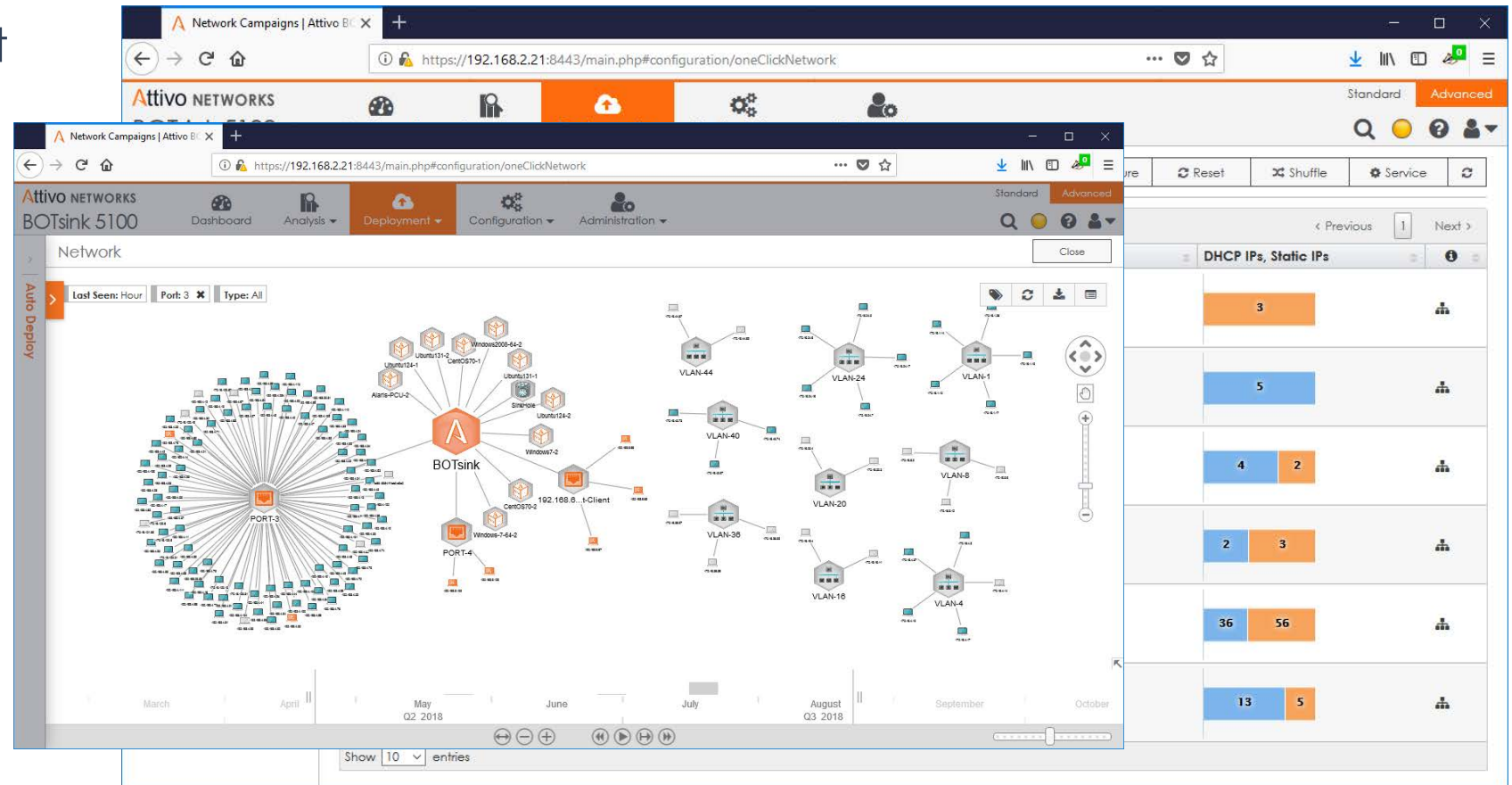
- Deploys decoy campaigns
- Engages services relevant to each network
- Domains & hostnames
- MAC addresses

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Easy Network Deployment

- Automatic VLAN ID
- Automatic subnet ID
- Automatic Service ID
- Automatic OS ID

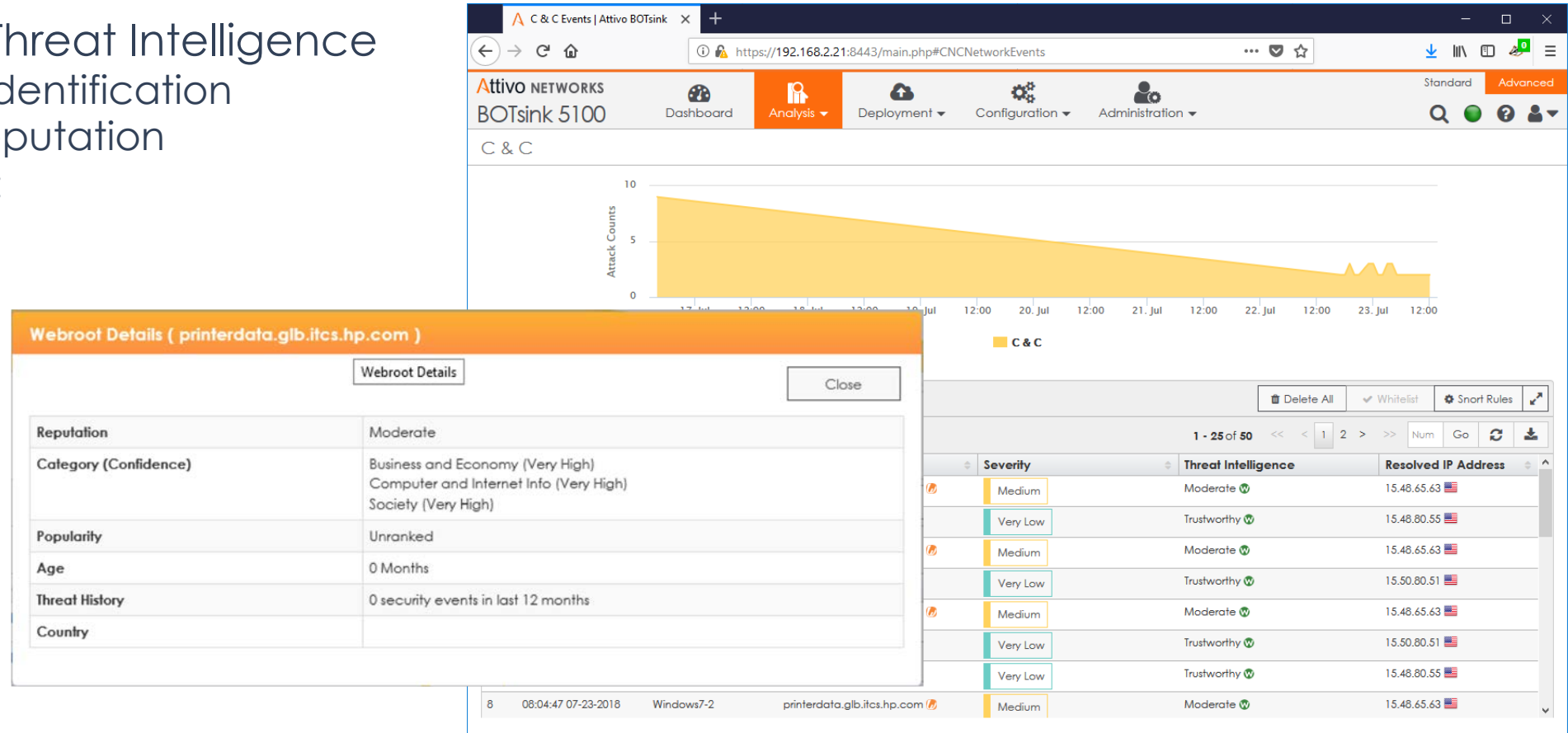


New: Comprehensive Threat Intelligence

Threat Intelligence from Multiple Feeds

Multiple options for Threat Intelligence

- Included Malware identification
- Included Domain reputation
- Partner integrations:
 - Webroot
 - ThreatConnect
 - DXL
 - VirusTotal
 - ReversingLabs
 - Q4



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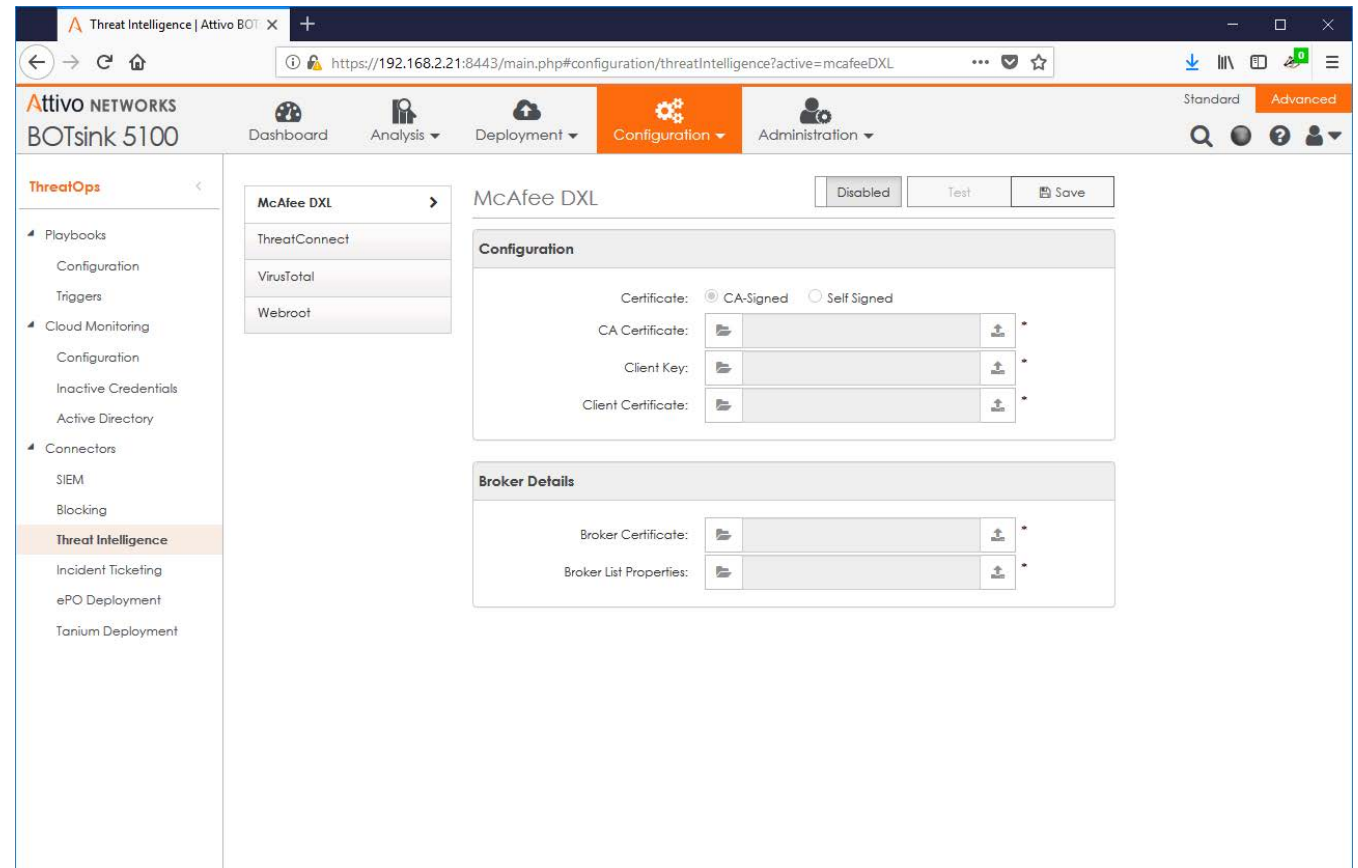
Optional Integrations

Integration with McAfee DXL

- Pass event information
- Exchange IoC's with partners
- Get the reputation of any dropped payload with DXL

Benefits

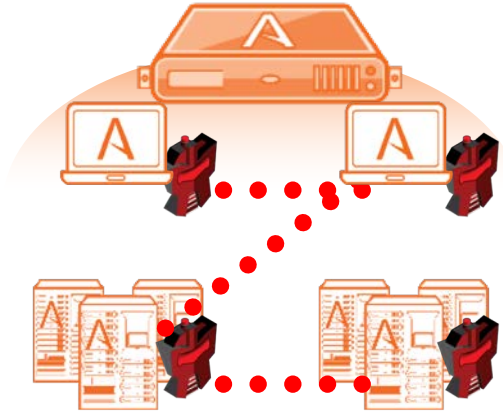
- Accelerates IR
- Efficient Threat Intelligence sharing
- Eliminates manual workflow
- Facilitates Threat Hunting



Multi-Dimensional Forensics Capabilities

For Faster Remediation and Hunting

Data Collection
and Analysis



Capture forensic artifacts
Capture and analyze
attacker memory



New

Assemble and report full TTP
Polymorphic attack tracking
and signatures



New: Counterintelligence
with DecoyDocs
Data Loss Tracking (DLT)



Data Sharing
and Actioning



SIEM integration and
attacker behavior analysis



3rd Party integrations with
automated response

Repeatable
Processes



Repeatable playbooks based on company's
security infrastructure and policies

Attivo Networks: Native Partner Integrations



Integrations and Playbooks for Automated Incident Response

Distribution



Endpoint management solutions such as SCCM, WMI, Casper, and others

Investigation / Analysis & Hunting



Ticketing



Traffic Redirection



Contain / Network Blocking



Contain / Endpoint Quarantine



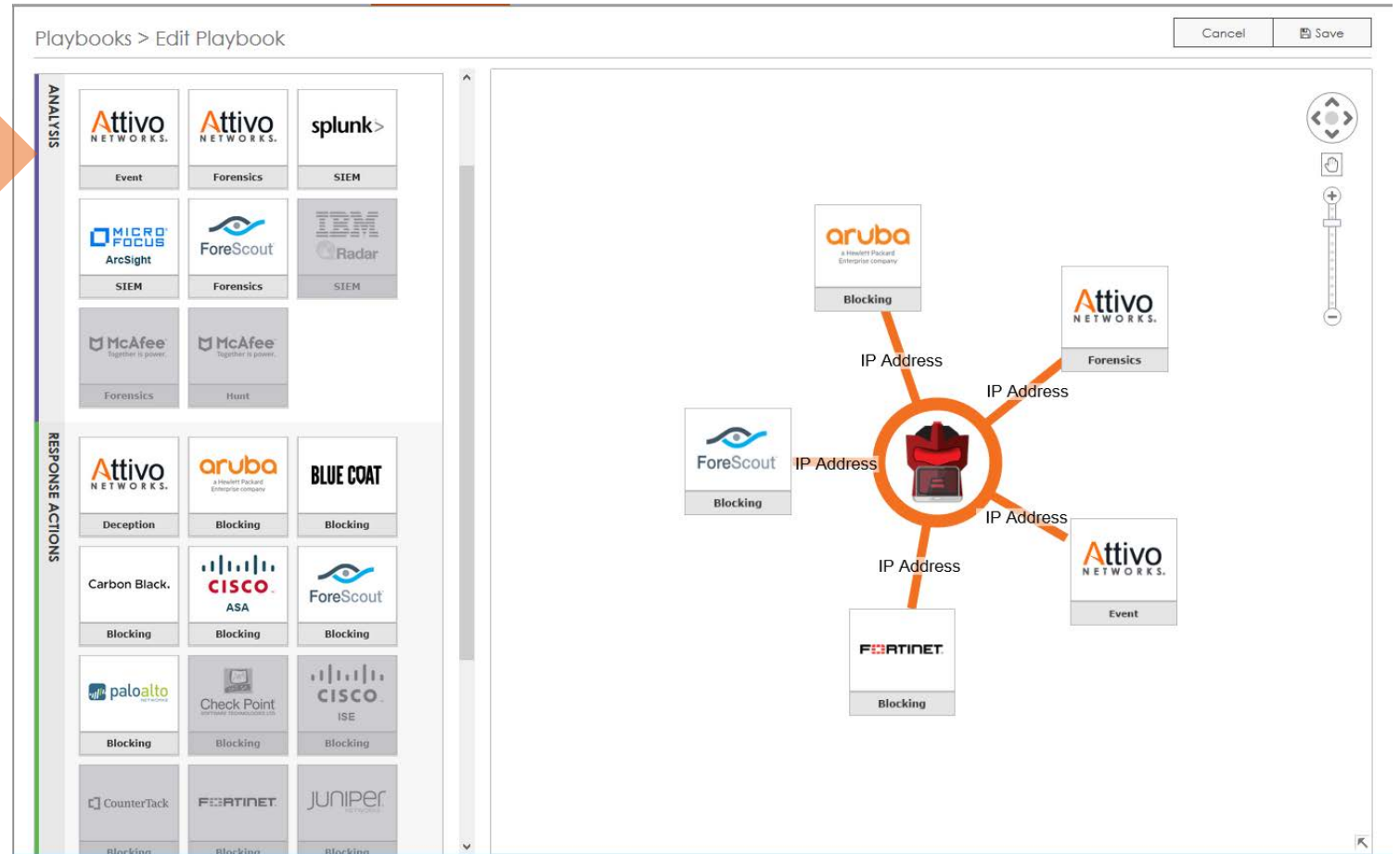
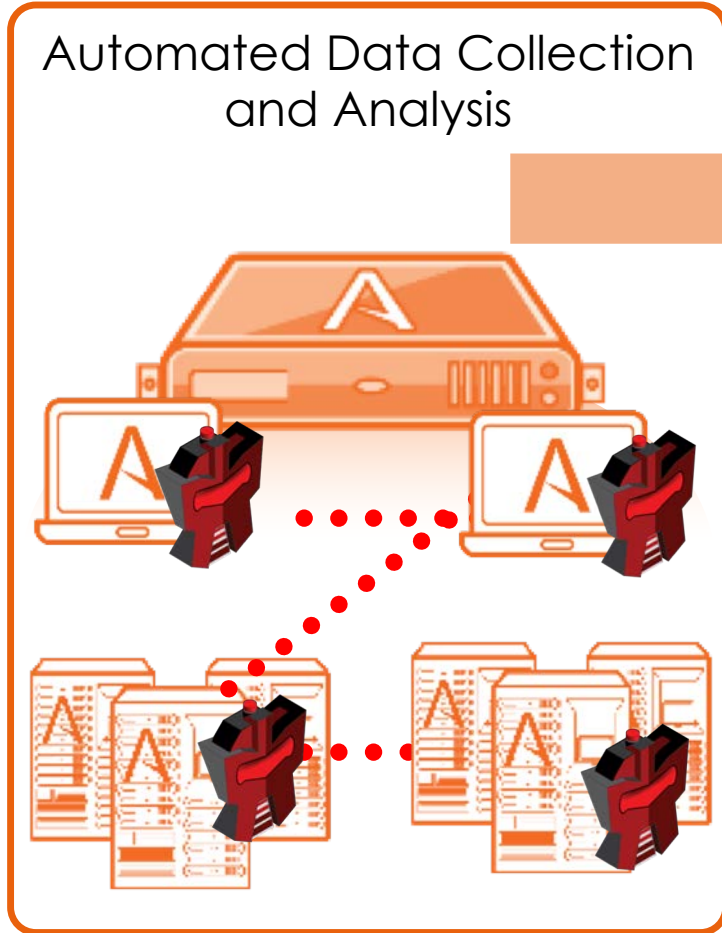
Cloud Monitoring



Orchestration



Automated Incident Response & Playbooks



Substantiated Alerts

- Alerts only on engagement
- Collects Forensics adversary Intelligence
- Reduce response time: hours to minutes
- Detects criminal activity, policy violations, misconfig's

Scalable Operations

- Manage all your deception environments ubiquitously
- Centralized attack data and action
- Automated sharing amongst security controls

Ease of Management

- Machine-learning to prepare, deploy and maintain deceptions
- Non-disruptive out of band deployment & agentless on the endpoint
- Basic and advanced dashboards on prem or in the cloud

Deception Platform Savings & Benefits

Security teams will save time correlating, understanding, and responding given the high-fidelity of deception alerts.

Myths and Realities of Deception

It is Easy to Detect

False: Real OS/Golden Images, dynamic deception, Active Directory integration match production assets; Pen Testers consistently deceived.

It is Resource Intensive

False: Alerts are engagement based and automated attack analysis simplifies incident handling and response.

It is Hard to Operate and Not Scalable

Depends: Non-inline designs are Friction-less to deploy and provide Cloud and Data Center Scalability; End-point deployment depends on approach.

It Creates a Dirty Network

Depends: Understand how decoys are deployed; see what tools they provide to whitelist and not interfere with other tools.

No Incremental Value

False: Achieves early detection at the end-point and in-network. DDP's also provide the automations and integrations for simplified response.

There is Legal Risk

False: Unless counter hacking, deception is viewed in line with typical security defense controls.

Impact

What do deception users say?

Organization Discovers Insider Threat

Concern

- The customer was concerned about internal risks to the network and sensitive client information.

Overview

- After installing the deception solution, security saw SMB share connections to multiple endpoints followed by recon scans.
- Network administrator with credentials had infected endpoints as zombies to scan network.

Outcome

- Only the deception solution efficiently and accurately detected the recon activity.
- Network administrator was terminated by customer and legal action are pending.



Value

The customer was able to monitor for insider threats and collect the necessary evidence to support legal action.



Mergers & Acquisitions Security Concerns

Concern

- The organization wanted visibility into the networks of recently acquired companies.
- They suspected the networks were compromised, had no dedicated security team, and lacked a mature security infrastructure.

Overview

- They deployed the deception solutions to the subsidiary networks for visibility, and a central manager in the cloud for reporting and alerting.

Outcome

- They were able to assess the network security infrastructure remotely, and validated their visibility by running Red Team tests in the acquired networks that they detected with the deception solutions.



Value

The organization assessed the security readiness of the acquired networks and resolved issues before connecting them to the corporate network.

Annual Penetration Testing for Compliance Validation

Concern

- Customer wanted to validate their network resiliency to meet annual security compliance requirements.
- The team had failed multiple penetration tests because of their inability to detect advanced, in-network threats.

Overview

- Customer installed deception solution for pen test.
- Pen tester compromised an endpoint, stole deceptive credentials, and engaged with deception solution decoy, thinking it was a real system.

Outcome

- The deception solution immediately detected when the pen tester used stolen credentials during the penetration test.
- The InfoSec team was able to track their every move.



Value

The customer successfully validated their security infrastructure resiliency for annual compliance requirements.



Compromised AD/Network Incident Response and Cleanup

Concern

- Attackers had been inside customer's network for years.
- Attackers compromised numerous servers including AD and the gift card portal with stolen credentials.
- Attackers created AD accounts to maintain access.

Overview

- Customer stealthily installed deception solution for network visibility and IR.
- Professional services engaged to help triage, respond, and remediate attacker presence across numerous environments.

Outcome

- The deception solution detected attacks to the Citrix environment, identified fraudulent AD accounts, and identified credentials used to steal gift card information.
- Final cleanup is ongoing with deception solution providing visibility.



Value

The customer used the deception solution for unparalleled network visibility to clean up the persistent presence without alerting the attacker.

Summary and Conclusions

Summary

- Deception for Effective In-network Threat Detection
- Role of Deception Tech
- Evaluating Deception Technology Differences
- Customer Value

Conclusion

- Deception plays a critical role in the security stack
- Deception arms the defender with a lifeline for early detection and accelerated response
- Deception is not limited to organizations with a mature security program
- Deception platforms are not Created equal

Use a Page Out of an Attacker's Playbook. Use Deception.

Detect them Quickly, Exploit Their Trust, Create Uncertainty, Change The Game!



Can't Tell Real From Fake

Make Mistakes

Increase Attacker Costs

Spend More Time/ Start Over

Make Economics Undesirable

Find an Easier Target

Questions?

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Deceive. Detect. Defend.



Company Background

Innovation that Shifts Power to the Defender



Leader in Deception-based Threat Detection & Response



Shipping Since 2014: Customer Proven Globally



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