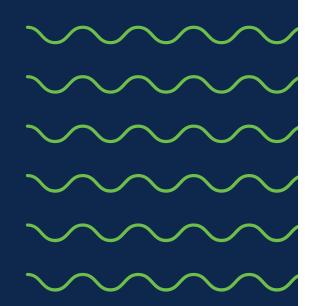


# Cisco Security Analytics

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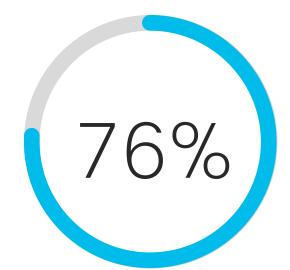




# Topics for discussion today

### Agenda

- Cisco Security Analytics overview
- ✓ Secure Analytics use cases for Service Providers



IT professionals say that lack of visibility is their biggest challenge in addressing network threats

- The Ponemon Institute

### Security Analytics versus Other Analytics







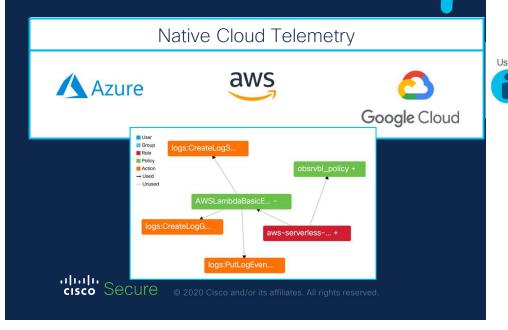
Security Analytics focus on augmenting or automating these functions:

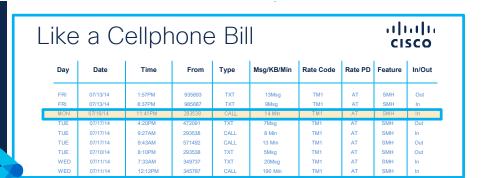
- □Incident Responder
- ■Security Analyst
- ■Security Operations
- ■Threat Hunter
- ■Compliance and Policy
- ■Business Continuity
- Cybercrime fighting

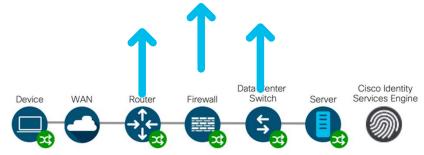


# Could you infer someone's friends by analyzing their phone records?

Infrastructure as a Sensor build the general ledger

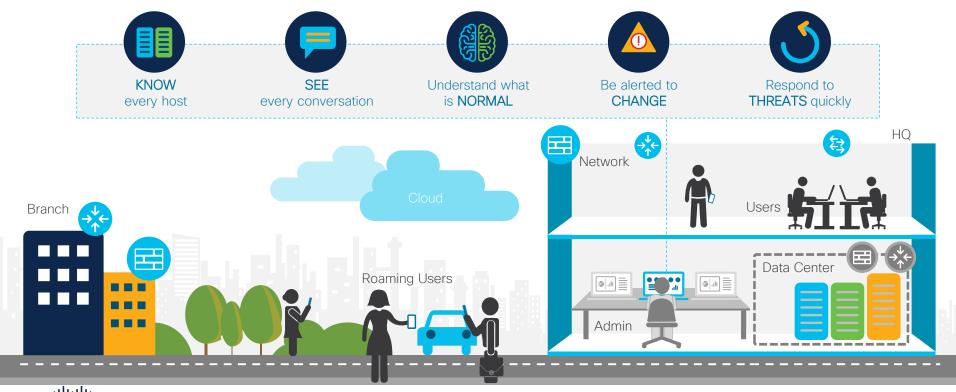








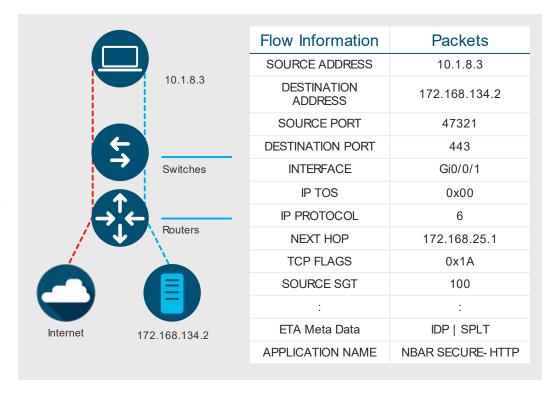
## Effective Security Depends on Total Visibility



#### The infrastructure as a sensor

#### See it ALL!

- A Trace of every conversation
- Agentless information collection
- East West and North South visibility
- Light Meta Data Collection using the existing infrastructure





#### The magic of machine learning

ML uses models to tackle new issues in real time without human intervention

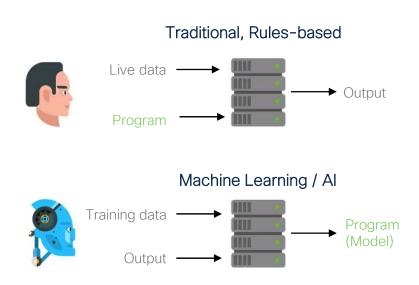
#### Machine Learning Definitions

#### Arthur Samuel (1959)

Field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed

#### Tom Mitchell (1997)

A computer program is said to learn if its performance at a task T, as measured by a performance P, improves with experience E





#### Machine Learning Big Picture

Supervised Learning Examples: Classification, Regression

Reinforcement Learning

**Unsupervised Learning** Examples: Clustering Dimensionality Reduction

Machine Learning

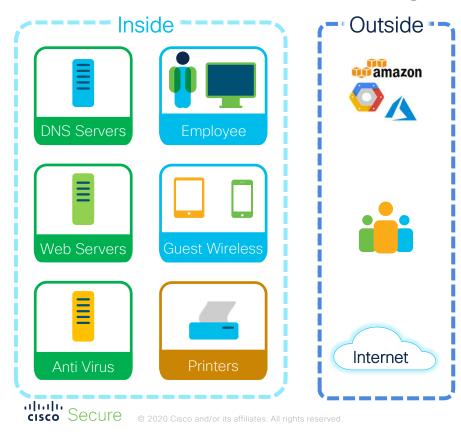
Artificial Intelligence

Machine Learning is one of the fields in Artificial Intelligence, where machines learn to act autonomously, and react to new situations without being *pre-programmed*. It is about designing algorithms that allow computers to learn aimed at some outcome.

- Learn to identify faces, learn to drive a car, etc
- Learning to detect malware, learning to identify a threat actors, etc.



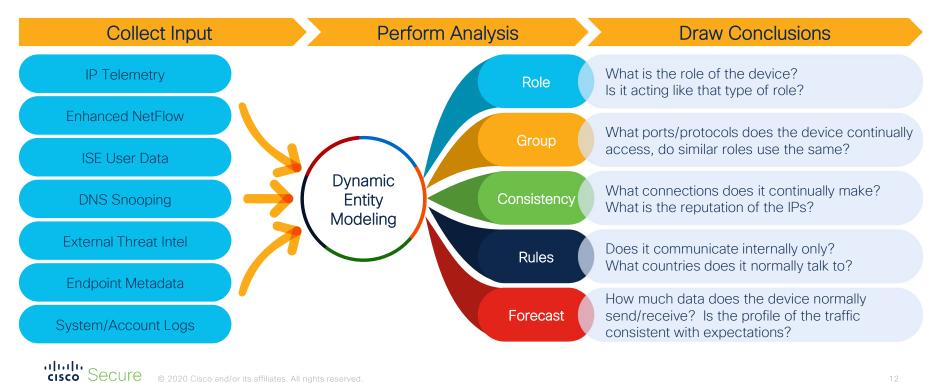
### Functional Network Segmentation by Groups



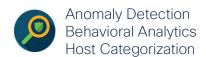
- A host group is grouping of hosts that share attributes and policies
- Host group are monitored to establish baseline behavior and thresholds
- Alerts are sent when hosts behave outside the group behavior
- 4 Ways to Segment
  - 1. Manual Host Group Creation
  - 2. APIs using IPAM, IND, Threat Intelligence data
  - 3. Host Classifier App
  - 4. Host Group Automation Service



#### Entity Modeling to Baseline and Detect Behavior Changes



# Cognitive Intelligence Beyond Machine Learning





Billons of network flows per day Millions of protected devices 1500+ customers





12 Years of research 70 ML scientists and engineers 60+ Patents & filings 200+ Publications

#### Polymorphic & Emerging Threats



Cross-product correlation for malware detection Predicting evolving threat infrastructure

#### Agentless Malware Detection



File-less, memory-only malware Process and network behavioral analysis

#### Web Proxy as a Sensor



Behavioral Breach Detection

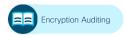
Detection of infections bypassing the perimeter

#### **Encrypted Traffic Analytics**

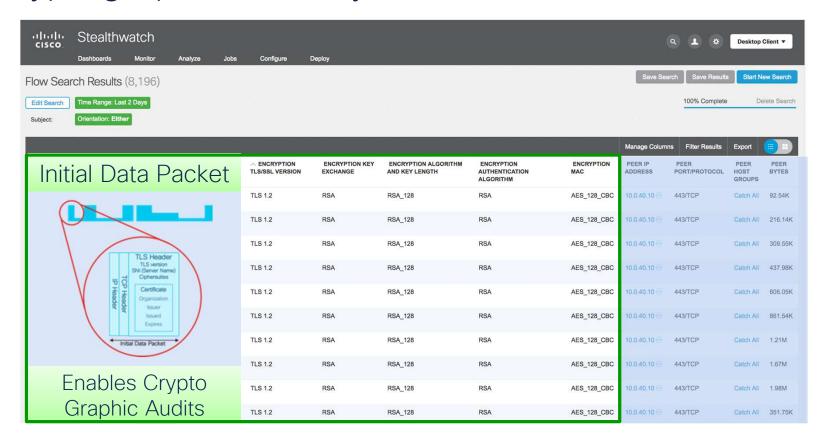


Netflow & ETA analytics Behavioral Breach Detection

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#### Cryptographic Visibility



# High Fidelity Alerts Excessive failed access attempts DDoS and amplification attacks Potential data exfiltration Geographically unusual remote access Connection to a threatening destination Custom Segmentation and configuration Policies

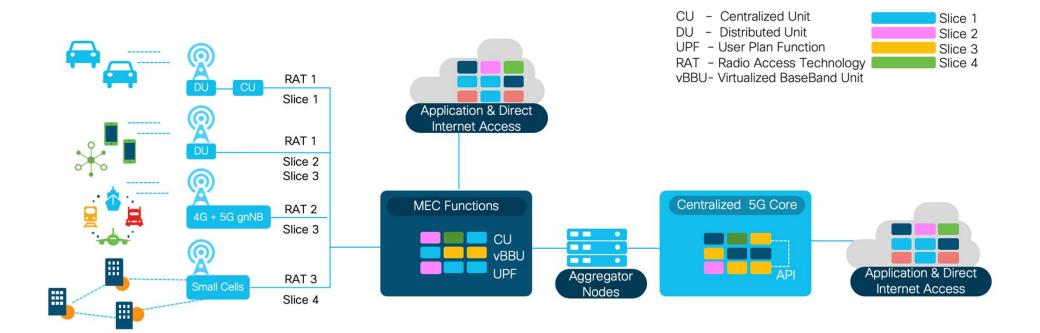
#### Automatic Threat Detection



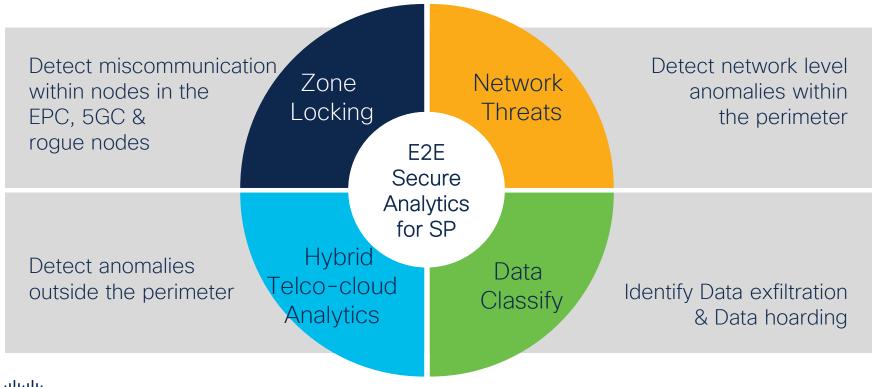


Security Analytics Use cases for Service Providers

### 5G & Evolving SP architectures

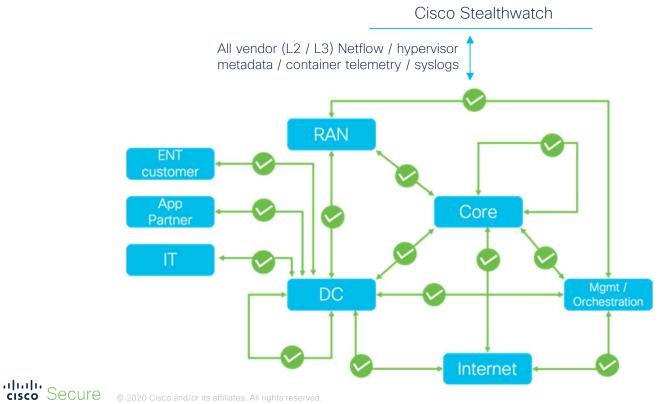


#### Use cases for discussion today



### E2E monitoring for multi-vendor 5G networks

(Control Plane, Management & Service layer)



### End to End monitoring - details

#### Multi-vendor components

Encrypted Traffic

Public Cloud
Appln

Private Cloud
Appln

Virtual layer
(VM/container)

Hypervisor

Server &
Appliance

User & Devices

#### Gathered network intelligence

NetFlow
IPFIX
VPC logs
sFlow
Container Telemetry
metadata
NSEL
syslogs

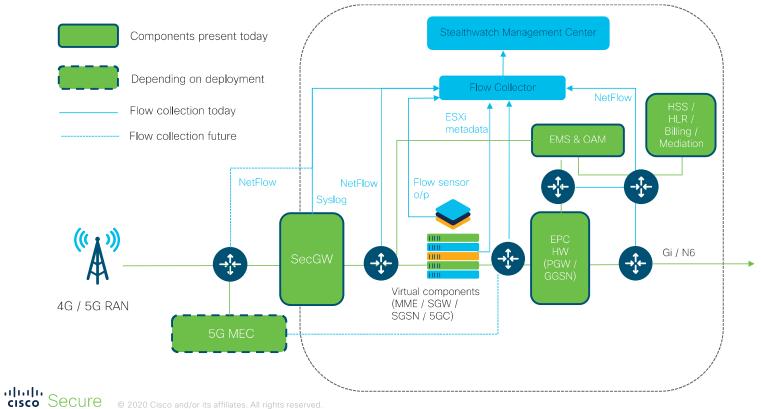
#### Sample Outcome

- Data exfiltration detection
- Data hoarding detection
- Encryption auditing
- Detect Peer to Peer traffic
- Detecting malware propagation
- Detect network scanning
- Detecting unknown applications
- Verifying change control management

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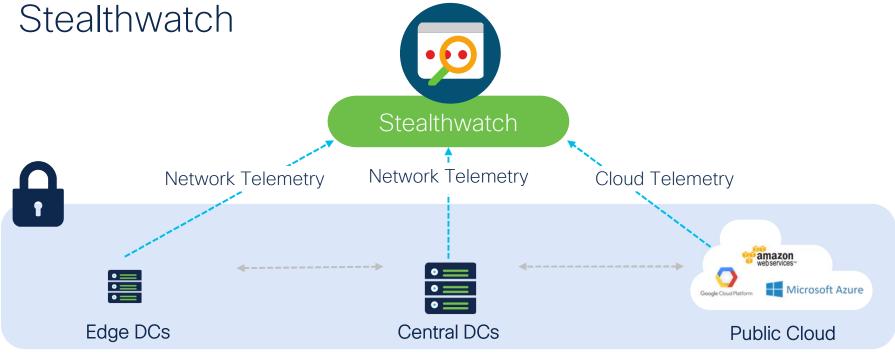


# Deployment illustration (Actual customer design)



Problem | Virtualization / Container vulnerabilities (External & Internal), Privilege misuse, Compromised credentials **DNS Layer Security** Access to malicious server blocked Command & Control servers VNF 1 VNF 2 Alarms by Type Event 5.0 Command & NFVi Pod Control servers 22/1 Host Lock Violation
Packet Flood
High Volume Email
High Flood
Suspect Long Flow
Worm Activity
Worm Activity
Worm Activity
Worm Activity
Max Flows Served
Slow Connection Flood
Data Exfiltration
Policy Violation
Suspect Quiet Long Flow
UDP Received
Recon
Data Hoarding
High DDos Target Index
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5G Hybrid cloud Security Analytics using Stealthwatch





# Contextual network-wide visibility

Agentless, using existing network and cloud infrastructure, even in encrypted traffic



# Predictive threat analytics

Combination of behavioral modeling, machine learning and global threat intelligence

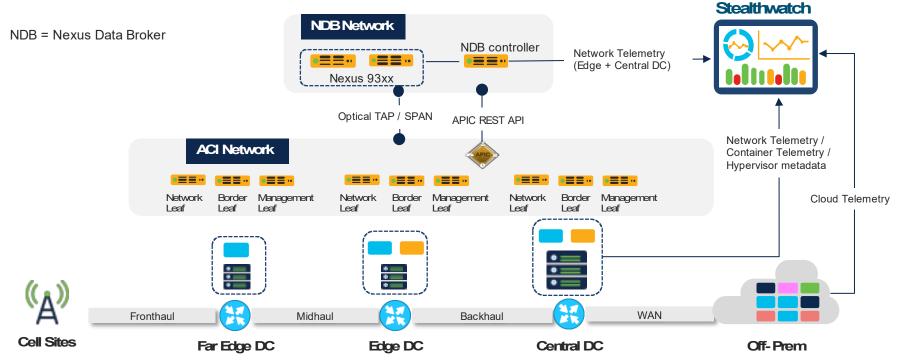


# Automated Detection and Response

High-fidelity alerts prioritized by threat severity with ability to conduct forensic analysis<sup>3</sup>

### 5G Telco cloud Analytics - edge and central DC

(actual design for a customer)



Nexus Data Broker:

https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/cloud-systems-management/nexus-data-broker/index.html

#### Key Takeaways

- Evolving architectures in SP's require enhanced visibility and anomaly detection methods to prevent data exfiltration
- Methods like Encrypted Traffic Analytics (ETA) should be applied at encrypted interfaces to detect malicious traffic without the need for decryption
- 5G E2E monitoring is very important to ensure enhanced security posture, which can be achieved by, monitoring the control plane



# Questions?

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