

# AI-Enhanced Application Security: A Modern Approach

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# Agenda

- ❖ Benefits of using AI in AppSec
- ❖ Limitations of using AI in AppSec
- ❖ Addressing the challenges

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As we rely more and more on technology to secure our information and infrastructure, we must use every tool at our disposal to protect ourselves, including AI

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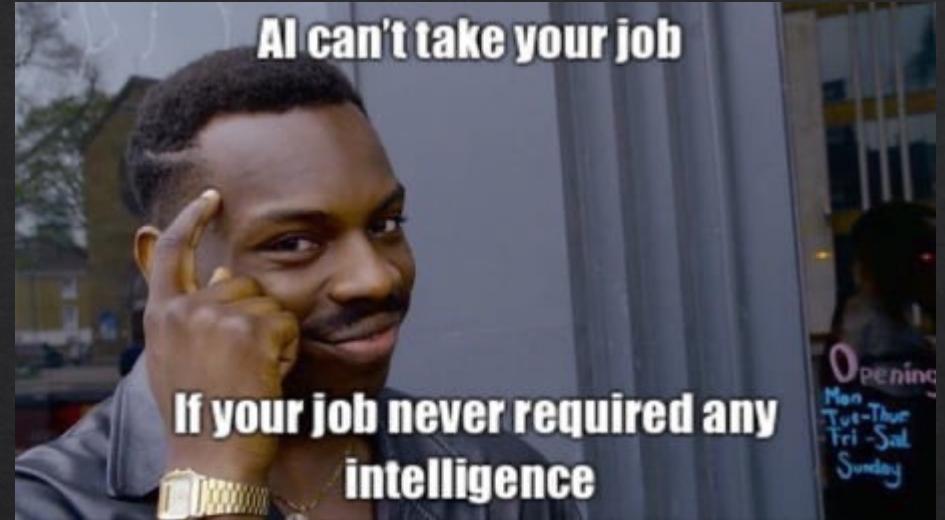
Fei-Fei Li, Co-Director of the Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence

# Benefits of using AI in AppSec

- ❖ Improved threat detection
- ❖ Faster response times
- ❖ Better accuracy
- ❖ Reduced costs

# Limitations of using AI in AppSec

- ❖ Lack of training data
- ❖ False positives
- ❖ Limited domain knowledge
- ❖ Ethical concerns



# Addressing the challenges

- ❖ AI algorithms are trained
- ❖ Human oversight and intervention
- ❖ Ongoing testing and evaluation

# Summary

- ❖ Benefits of AI: improved threat detection, faster response times, better accuracy, reduced costs
- ❖ Management buy-in is key
- ❖ OWASP AI Security and Privacy Guide



"In the age of AI, cybersecurity is a race between attackers and defenders. The side with the best AI algorithms will win." - Rodney Joffe, Senior Vice President and Fellow at Neustar

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