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Data Science And CyberSecurity

And how we got married

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What is cybersecurity?

A TOOL

Cybersecurity can be viewed as a set of tools to protect, with reliable ways, computers, networks, programs or data from companies, governments or even individual persons.

A PRACTICE

As well a tool, cybersecurity has many ways to protect data, and it is equipped with several processes to accomplish this goal.



What is data science?

ATOOL

Data science can be viewed as a set of tools to analyze and use data for decision-making processes. Can include machine learning algorithms to predict new events under past events, or infer things like behaviors using statistical methods for that.

A PRACTICE

As well as a tool, data science requires scientific methods to criticize results and make worthwhile outcomes.

A NECESSITY

A few roles work together for data science to be what it is. Roles like mathematics, statistics in special, scientific computation, and business knowledge are required to make a good data science job.



Cybersecurity Let's delve into this!

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- data security, which is concerned with keeping data secure.

The risks typically associated with any attack, which considers three security factors, such as threats, i.e., who is attacking, vulnerabilities, i.e., the weaknesses they are attacking, and impacts, i.e., what the attack does. A security incident is an act that threatens the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of information assets and systems.

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Denial-of-Service

is an attack meant to shut down a machine or network, making it inaccessible to its intended users by flooding the target with traffic that triggers a crash.

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More granularly, they are responsible for preventing data breaches or security incidents and monitoring and reacting to intrusions, which can be defined as any kind of unauthorized activity that causes damage to an information system.



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Signature-based IDS

A signature can be a predefined string, pattern, or rule that corresponds to a known attack. A particular pattern is identified as the detection of corresponding attacks in a signature-based IDS.

Anomaly-based IDS

In an anomaly-based intrusion detection system, the behavior of the network is first examined to find dynamic patterns, to automatically create a data-driven model, to profile the normal behavior, and thus it detects deviations in the case of any anomalies



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The main point is that AI is not exactly machine learning or smart things. It can be a classic program installed in your robot cleaner like edge detection.

Data Science

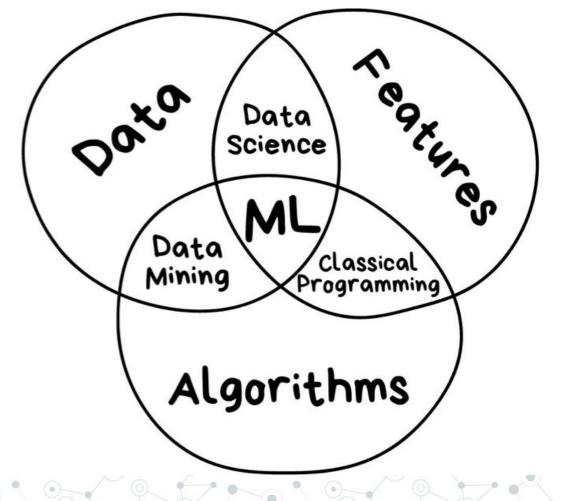
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It's new interdisciplinary field that synthesizes and builds on statistics, informatics, computing, communication, management, and sociology to study data and its environments, to transform data to insights and decisions by following a data-to-knowledge-to-wisdom thinking and methodology

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In other words, ML is a system that can recognize patterns by using examples rather than by programming them. If your system learns constantly, makes decisions based on data rather than algorithms, and change its behavior, it's Machine Learning.





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Semi-Supervised ML

Where there is a portion of data labelled or needing human experts during the acquisition of data. The human expert during the labelling process will surely help to solve the problem and improve the accuracy of the model.



Watch a short video explaining a little bit about ML!



The Machine Learning Life Cycle

Define Project
Objectives

Acquire & Explore Data

Model Data

Interpret & Communicate

Implement,
Document & Maintain

- 1. Define Project Objectives
 - Specify business problem
 - Acquire subject matter expertise
 - Define unit of analysis and prediction target
 - Prioritize modeling criteria
 - Consider risks and success criteria
 - Decide whether to continue
- 2. Acquire & Explore Data
 - Find appropriate data
 - Merge data into single table
 - Conduct exploratory data analysis
 - Find and remove any target leakage
 - Feature engineering
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- Model Data
 - Variable selection
 - Build candidate models
 - Model validation and selection
- 4. Interpret & Communicate
 - Interpret model
 - Communicate model insights
- 5. Implement, Document & Maintain
 - Set up batch or API prediction system
 - Document modeling process for reproducibility
 - Create model monitoring and maintenance plan



Let's see some practical cases and discover together!

Due to the pandemic, more employees are working from home than ever before. To stay updated with the work and collaborate, employees and even college students are using text messages. Whether it is SMS or internet-based texting application like WhatsApp or Telegram hackers under the pretense of the umbrella-term "COVID-19" are phishing and scamming people.

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In this Machine learning use case, the MTD system(Mobile Threat Defense System) is used. In this, ML models are trained to segregate the hackers from genuine informational Covid-19 messages. Like mobile, laptops, PC, etc., different endpoints are safeguarded. They are safeguarded by the Unified Endpoint Management program. UEM is highly effective for text-based applications and SMSs. Herein, the model is trained with many datasets to identify the threats amongst the authentic messages.

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Wandera, a cybersecurity space leader, uses its ML algorithm. They detected 500 ransomware strains in the different companies' business mobile devices. Apple's Siri, Google Assistant, and Amazon's Alexa, are personal, AI-driven assistance. They have significant responsibilities of securing the voice-based commands using ML. Also, to identify the actual owner's voice against a hacker's control.

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This system could filter out all the malicious activities out of millions of actions taken during one day. Al2 brought down the threat rate by 85%. Vulnerability assessment tools became common among analysts for detections of any attacks.

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The enhanced ML-based network security system will track all outgoing and incoming calls/data. To detect any suspicious information patterns in the network. Many software can monitor networks by using anomaly detection software. It is used to alert human authorities in case of discrepancies in data like previous cyber threats.



Thank you so much!

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