

Need for Speed:

Unleashing the Power of SecOps with Adaptive Response

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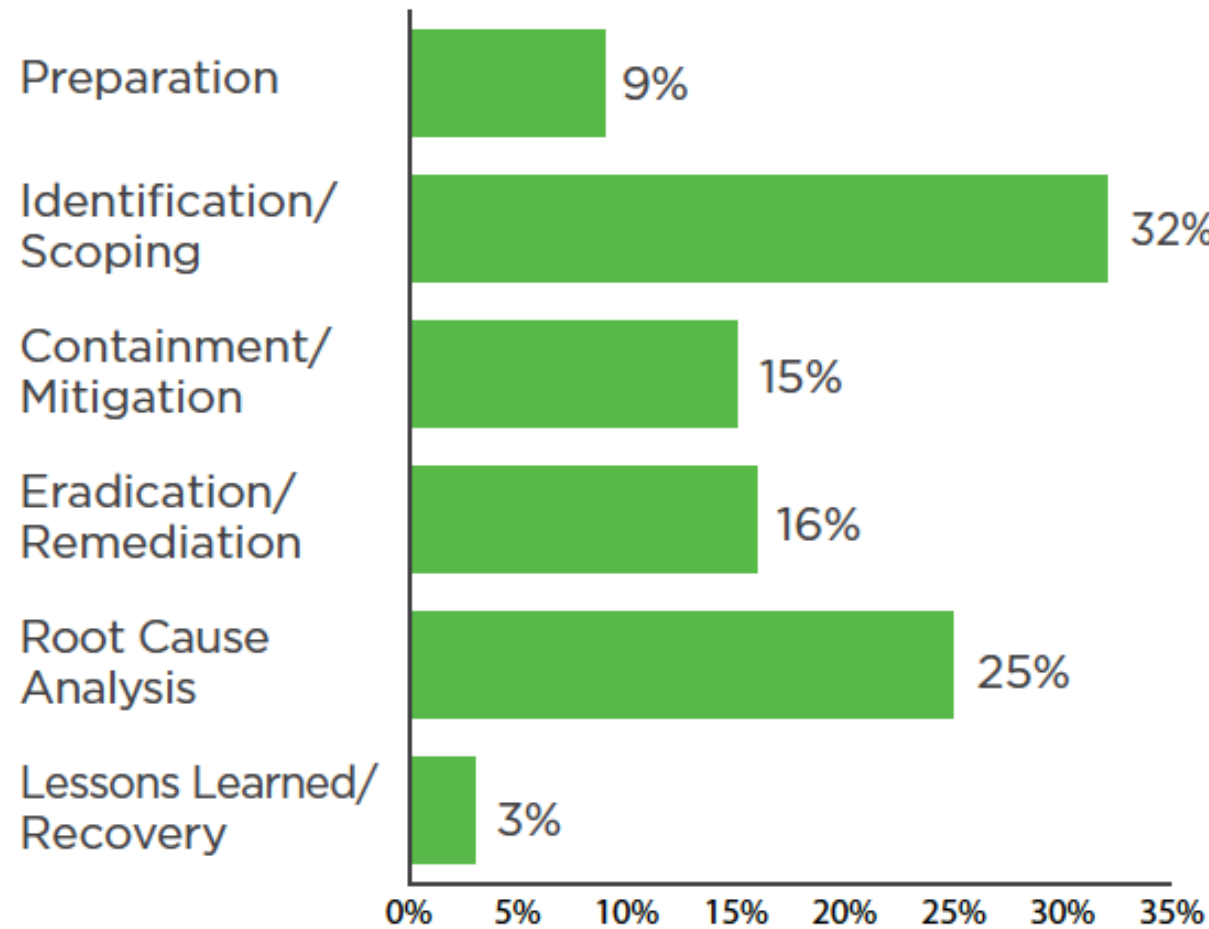
Challenges Facing SecOps

- **Complex correlations**
 - Detect targeted attacks across **multiple vectors**
 - Provide context across **multiple** (security) **domains**
- **Operationalize security**
 - Get **all** the right people involved in security investigations
 - Respond at **scale** without automation also helping the “bad guys”



Where Does Your Time Go?

When working an incident which phase generally takes the longest to complete in your organization?



Day in the life of a security professional survey

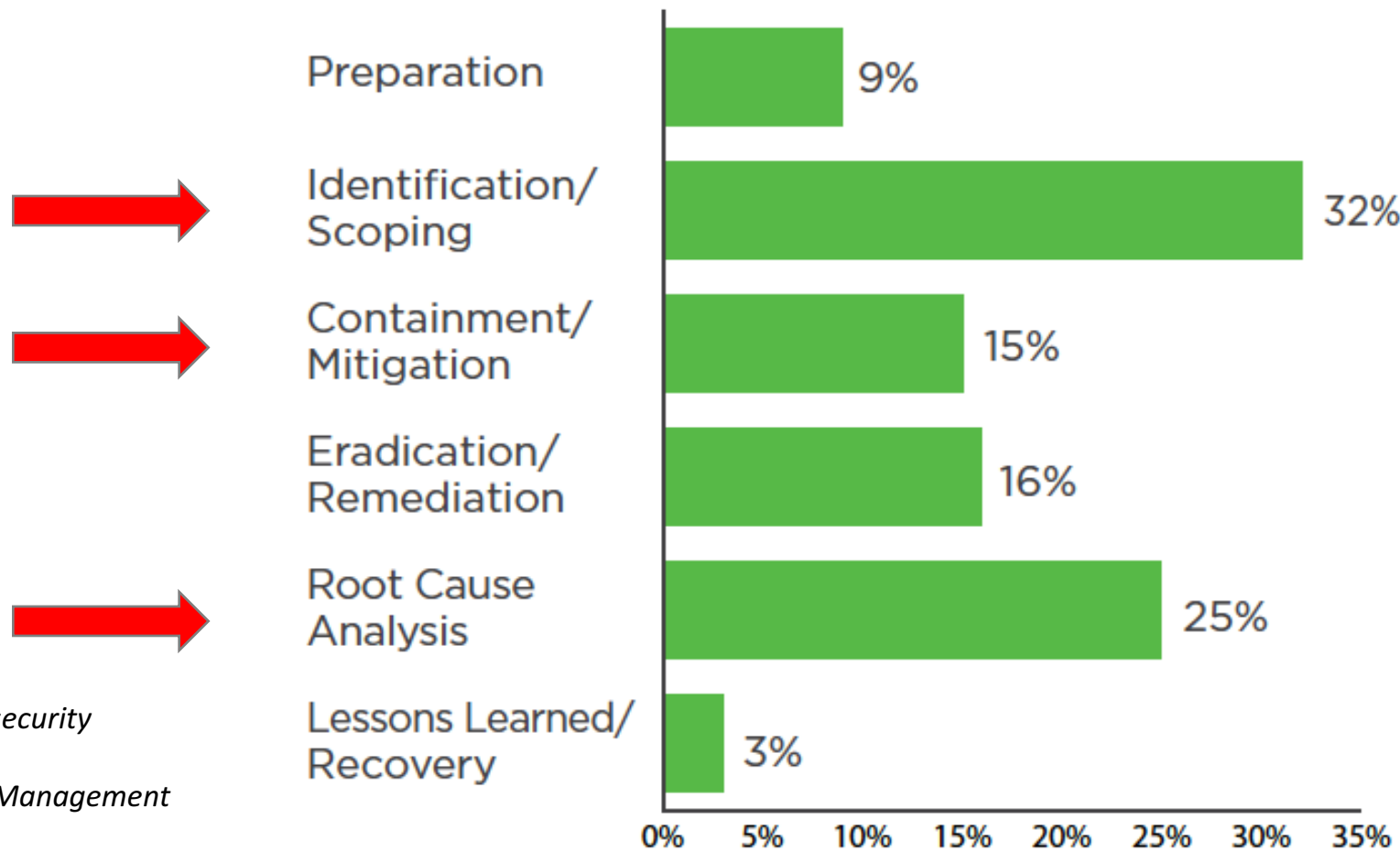
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Adaptive Response addresses 72% of your time budget

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Adaptive Response in Real Life: Symantec

Symantec ATP helps detect and remediate complex attacks across endpoint, email, network, and web from a single console



Sample of Symantec AR Actions*:

- Isolate Endpoint
- Rejoin Endpoint
- Query File for Disposition

*Splunk Adaptive Response has the power to help reduce workload on customer SOC teams by **speeding up decision making** and associated actions **through automation**.*

- Peter Doggart, Vice President of Business Development, Symantec

*Actions built by Crest Data Systems

Adaptive Response in Real Life: ForeScout

ForeScout CounterACT

enables its customers to monitor real-time NAC events and respond to security threats at endpoints



Sample of ForeScout AR Actions*:

- Redirect endpoint to specific web browser
- Send email messages to users
- Kill peer-to-peer application

Leveraging the ForeScout Extended Module for Splunk via Adaptive Response will enable us to minimize the time and resources needed to respond to emerging threats.

- Clayton Colwell, Associate security engineer, **Brown-Forman Corporation**

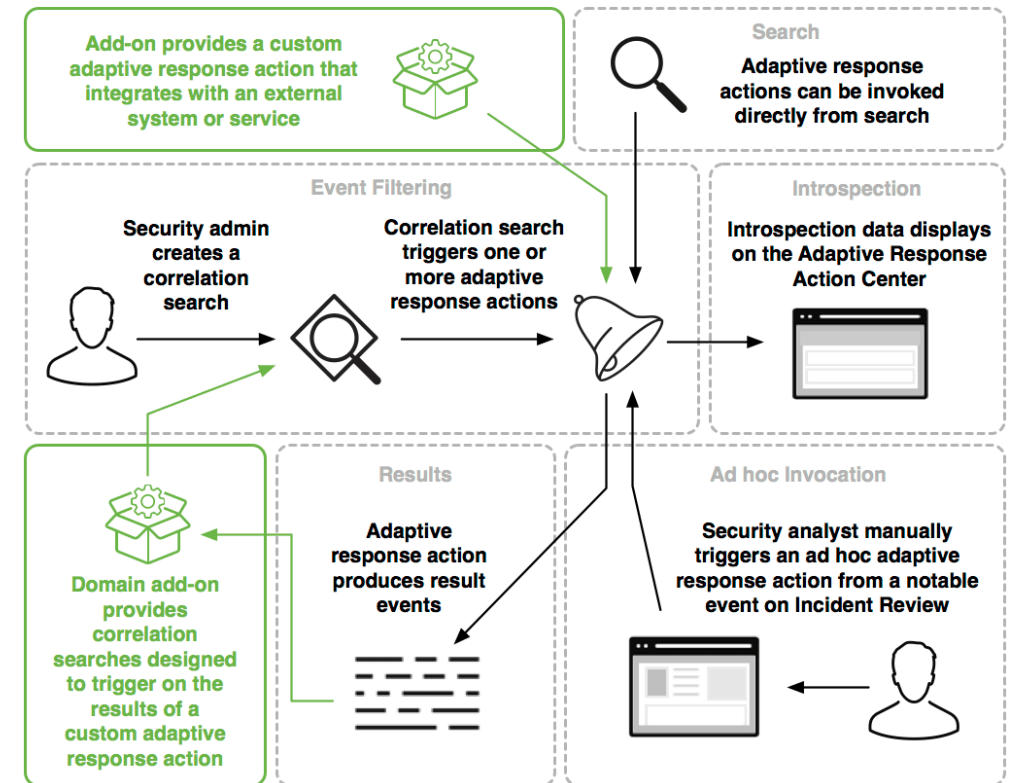
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Build AR Actions in 5 Easy Steps

AR Development Guidelines

Some of the most common questions we get asked

- ▶ AR Actions are built as part of an independent add-on or can be combined with data collection add-on
- ▶ Build Domain Add-on for Custom Correlation Searches
- ▶ HTML forms are built to take user inputs while taking actions
- ▶ AR Actions can be attached with Enterprise Security (ES) incident manually or can be auto-triggered
- ▶ Results from Correlation searches are passed to AR actions as inputs



<http://dev.splunk.com/view/enterprise-security/SP-CAAABFE>

AR App Development in 5 Easy Steps

[TA-add-on-name]

1 Create a File structure

Appserver

static / [app_icon].png

alert_actions.conf.spec

savedsearches.conf.spec

default / alert_actions.conf

2

.spec files declares alert action parameters for alert_actions.conf and savedsearches.conf

Register the Custom Alert Action

bin / [custom_alert_action_script].py

3

Python script to take Alert Action on 3rd party device

data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

4

Validate the Action Parameters through HTML file
Define user interface for Alert Configuration

default / restmap.conf

default / tags.conf

5

Tags created event type with tag "modaction_result"
Defines results produced by Action as an Event Type

default / eventtypes.conf

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Step #1 Setup File Structure for AR

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data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

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default / tags.conf

default / eventtypes.conf

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Step #2 Define Parameters for your Actions

[TA-add-on-name]

Appserver

static / [app_icon].png

alert_actions.conf.spec

savedsearches.conf.spec

default / alert_actions.conf

bin / [custom_alert_action_script].py

data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

default / restmap.conf

default / tags.conf

default / eventtypes.conf

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2

Register the custom alert action

Declares alert action parameters for alert_actions.conf and savedsearches.conf

[<actionname>]

is_custom = 1

label = <label for the action>

description = <action description>

icon_path = <icon file name>

payload_format = json

ttl = <time to live for search artifacts in seconds>

param._cam = {

“drilldown_uri”: “<drilldown URL>”,

“supports_adhoc”: true|false,

“category”: [“<category>”],

“task”: [“<task>”],

“subject”: [“<subject>”],

“technology”: [{“vendor”: “<vendor>”, “product”:

“<product>”, “version”: “<version>”}]

}

alert_actions.conf.spec

[<actionname>]

param.<param_1> = <type and description>

param.<param_2> = <type and description>

savedsearches.conf.spec

[<stanza name>]

action.<actionname>.<param>.<param_1> = <type and description>

action.<actionname>.<param>.<param_2> = <type and description>

Step #3 Write Python Scripts for your Actions

[TA-add-on-name]

Appserver

static / [app_icon].png

alert_actions.conf.spec

savedsearches.conf.spec

default / alert_actions.conf

bin / [custom_alert_action_script].py

data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

default / restmap.conf

default / tags.conf

default / eventtypes.conf

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3

Python script to take Alert Action on 3rd party device

Create python script that contains:

- Logic of AR actions
- Progress logging of action
- Write out the result events
- Parameter validation coming from HTML form so as to validate them when the AR action is invoked as an ad hoc action

Step #4 Define User Interface and Validation

[TA-add-on-name]

Appserver

static / [app_icon].png

alert_actions.conf.spec

savedsearches.conf.spec

default / alert_actions.conf

bin / [custom_alert_action_script].py

data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

default / restmap.conf

default / tags.conf

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<actionname>.html

<AR action code that renders form to take input parameters from users>

restmap.conf

[validation:savedsearch]

action.<actionname>.param.<param_1> =
validate(match('action.<actionname>.param.<param_1>', "<any_regular_expr>"), "<message to display in case of failure>")

4

Define User Interface for Alert Configuration
Validate the Action Parameters through HTML file

Step #5 Create Event Types and Tags

[TA-add-on-name]

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savedsearches.conf.spec

default / alert_actions.conf

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data / ui / alerts / [custom_alert_action].html

default / restmap.conf

default / tags.conf

default / eventtypes.conf

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tags.conf

[eventtype=<actionname>]

modaction_result = enabled

Tags created event type
with tag
“modaction_result”

eventtypes.conf

[<actionname>]

search = index=<myaction_results>
sourcetype=<myaction:results>

5

Defines results produced
by Action as an Event Type

Invoke AR Actions

1. Go to Incident Review

Splunk Enterprise Security

Splunk Enterprise Security extends the security analysis functionality of the Splunk platform, allowing you to centralize your security operations and easily investigate your data. Discover, triage, and investigate potential security incidents, coordinate response and remediation, review metrics across security domains, and correlate your data with threat intelligence.



Security Posture

See real-time status of the organization's security posture over the last 24 hours



Incident Review

Work directly with notable events



App Configuration

Configure the application



Documentation

View the User manual, Use Cases, and the Installation and Upgrade manual



Community

Explore Splunk Answers for relevant questions and answers



Product Tour

Go through a product tour to understand Splunk Enterprise Security at a high level

Invoke AR Actions

2. Click on Specific Events on which Adaptive Response Actions needs to be invoked

The screenshot shows a Splunk event viewer interface. At the top, a dropdown menu is open, showing several actions. The action 'Run Adaptive Response Actions' is highlighted with a red underline. The event details are as follows:

Description:
CounterACT Authentication Failure

Correlation Search:
[es_trigger_dot1x_action_failure_email](#)

History:
[View all review activity for this Notable Event](#)

Adaptive Responses: [🔗](#)

Response	Mode	Time	User	Status
Notable	saved	2016-10-05T15:40:14+0530	nobody	✓ success

[View Adaptive Response Invocations](#)

Next Steps:
No Next Steps defined.

Additional Fields

Field	Value	Action
Device	localhost	✓
Device Expected	false	✓
Device PCI Domain	untrust	✓
Device Requires Antivirus	false	✓
Device Should Time Synchronize	false	✓
Device Should Update	false	✓
IP Address	192.3.15.136	✓
Host	localhost	✓
Sender	localhost	✓



Event Details:

Field	Value
event_id	23DD3371-4E0B-4BAC-8A8F-6B83754AD30D@@notable@@344636d8df8a0d98ddb8f9658d8947e
event_hash	344636d8df8a0d98ddb8f9658d8947e
eventtype	modnotable_results
	notable

Invoke AR Actions

3. Select Specific Action which needs to be executed
4. Review the status based on the response from security product on the action taken



Adaptive Response Actions

  "CounterACT Send Email Action" has been dispatched successfully.

Select actions to run.

[+ Add New Action](#) ▾

Category All

-  **CounterACT Send Email Action**
This action sends an email message. The messages are sent according to the email preferences defined in Options -> NAC -> Email.
Category: Information Gathering | Task: others | Subject: others | Vendor: Forescout
-  **CounterACT Send Email to User Action**
This action sends an email message to the user that is logged-in to the detected host. The system obtains the email address from the LDAP directory database.

Key Takeaways

Need for Speed for
SecOps

1. Adaptive Response delivers **multi-vendor security workflow automation**
2. SecOps teams can **find and remediate breaches** within the same environment
3. Adaptive Response delivers on the much desired **need for speed!**

Thank You

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