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EDITOR'S NOTE

WILL AI BE A
GAMECHANGER IN
CYBERSECURITY?

Fighting cybercriminals has been a cat and mouse game for decades. Today, an enterprise has to detect and block thousands, or perhaps millions, of such attacks; it is no longer possible for a human or even an army of security professionals to do that.

But AI and ML are joining the fight and perhaps giving the good guys an advantage that could finally put the defense far ahead of the attackers.

Our cover story titled “AI-Powered Cyber-security - From Automated Threat Detection to Adaptive Defense,” written by **Dr. Leslie F. Sikos** at Edith Cowan University, Australia, talks about the various cutting-edge ways artificial intelligence and machine learning are applied to cybersecurity domains. Dr. Sikos explains how machine learning can help organizations with everything from threat prediction, recognizing network attack patterns, identifying malicious web pages, and preventing adversarial machine learning to performing dynamic risk analysis, discovering signs of malicious network traffic, detecting anomalies, protecting their assets from cyber-attacks, and minimizing or mitigating malware spread.

In our Knowledge Hub section, don't miss **Dr. Erdal Ozkaya's** article titled “Security Evolution — From Legacy to Advanced, to ML and AI”. Dr. Ozkaya is an award-winning, certified professional and CISO at a global bank. He takes us through the evolution of security, from the days of signature-based solutions and explains how these solutions evolved to keep up with the growth and sophistication of malware attacks. What will happen once AI overtakes human intelligence and security solutions stop accepting human input? What are the limitations of AI as regards to cybersecurity? And how will hackers use AI? These are some questions addressed in Dr. Ozkaya's article.

Our Insight section features an article by **Kashyap Kompella**, who is CEO of RPA2AI Research. Kompella is the co-author of the bestseller, “Practical Artificial Intelligence: An Enterprise Playbook.”

We hope you enjoy reading the articles in this issue.

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5G SECURITY

POSSIBLE RISKS AND CHALLENGES

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It is taking the world by storm. The game-changing technology, often called connectivity in a whole new level by including jet-setting speeds and low latency. Furthermore, its network capacity can reach a million devices per square kilometer, which is ten times the maximum number supported by 4G.

Witness the dramatic change in the millimeter wave frequency spectrum used by 5G compared to its predecessor doesn't really mean much to the average person, there are tangible benefits that make a difference and can be noticed with the naked eye. The speeds can reach 20Gbps at the dawn of 5G deployment and will eventually grow to 100Gbps as the technology evolves. That's up to 100 times faster than 4G. Reduced latency is another breakthrough, allowing data to arrive at its destination about five times quicker.

A simple example of how this improves the user experience is that there is absolutely no buffering time when watching a 4K quality video on a mobile device. Uploading and downloading gigabytes of data is a matter of mere seconds in 5G networks, which have been the way users interact with numerous cloud-based services. Also, wirelessly connected vehicles that constitute the Internet of Things (IoT), including self-driving cars and smart home appliances, will be able to operate reliably and eventually be safer for use on the open roads of 5G as that people can enjoy full-fledged connectivity in places where cable modems and Wi-Fi are unavailable.

Having started with field testing and commercial use earlier regional rollout in 2018, the deployment of 5G is currently accelerating around the globe. In the United States, the European Union, and East Asia, the process of launching next-generation commercial networks is [in full swing](#), occasionally taking place ahead of schedule.

To keep up with the sales evolution, all major smart phone manufacturers have already released devices that support 5G. Furthermore, market analysts [predict](#) that these gadgets will account for 10% of all global smartphone shipments in 2020. Aside from smart phones, a plethora of different IoT solutions will be heavily reliant on high-speed connectivity soon.

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