

Anomalous Behavior Detection

Anomaly detection techniques and tools



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introduction



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- Fields of interest:
 - Data-Driven Security
 - Anomaly detection
 - Behavioral Analysis
 - Machine Learning

agenda

- Behavior analysis
 - Anomaly definition and samples
 - Anomaly detection (pattern based vs non-pattern based)
 - Tools, methods
 - Conclusions & some tricks
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- PROMIS general information
 - Courses
 - How to apply

behavior analysis

Anomalous Behavior Detection



behavior analysis

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Cambridge
Dictionary

the way that a person, an animal, a substance, etc. behaves in a particular situation or under particular conditions

to show particular behavior in a particular situation or under particular conditions

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Behavior is the range of actions and mannerisms made by individuals, **organisms**, **systems** or **artificial entities** in conjunction with themselves or their environment...

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- Can be observed and measured
- Changing over time
- May be represented as vector of state in time
- Vector components can have either numerical or categorical values
- For most of categorical values we can find their numerical representations*
- **Simplest way to start learning behavior is one-dimensional time series**

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What?

Where?

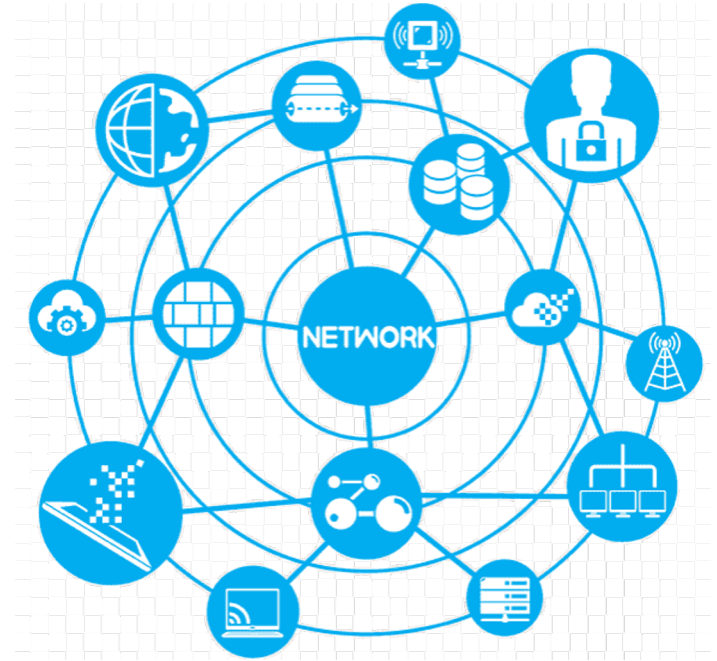
When?

Who?

Why?

How?

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Science [edit]

Natural [edit]

- Anomaly (natural sciences)**
 - [Atmospheric anomaly](#)
 - [Geophysical anomaly](#)

Medical [edit]

- Congenital anomaly** (birth defect), a disorder present at birth
 - Physical anomaly**, a deformation of an anatomical structure
 - Congenital vertebral anomaly**, any of several malformations of the spine
 - Collie eye anomaly**, eye disease of dogs
 - Coronary artery anomaly**, a congenital abnormality in the heart
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 - Uhl anomaly**, a congenital heart disease affecting the myocardial muscle
 - Vaginal anomalies**

Biology [edit]

See also: *[List of congenital disorders](#)* and *[List of genetic disorders](#)*

- Anomalous**, a species of moth in the Noctuid family
- Chromosome anomaly**, a disorder caused by a structural error in a chromosome or an atypical number of chromosomes
- Genetic anomaly**, a disorder caused by mutation
- Teratology**, the study of developmental anomalies

Physics [edit]

- Anomalous diffusion** is the movement of molecules from a region of lower concentration to a region of higher concentration
- Anomalous dispersion** (optics), when the speed of an electromagnetic wave increases with increasing frequency
- Anomalon**, a hypothetical type of nuclear matter that shows an anomalously large reactive cross section
- Anomaly (physics)**, a failure of a symmetry of a theory's classical action
- Conformal anomaly**, a quantum phenomenon that breaks the conformal symmetry of the classical theory
- Chiral anomaly**, an anomalous nonconservation of a chiral current
- Gauge anomaly**, the effect of quantum mechanics that invalidates the gauge symmetry of a quantum field theory
- Global anomaly**, an anomaly in quantum physics
- Gravitational anomaly**, an effect in quantum mechanics that invalidates the general covariance of some theories of general relativity
- Konishi anomaly**, the violation of the conservation of the Noether current associated with certain transformations
- Mixed anomaly**, an effect in quantum mechanics
- Parity anomaly**, an anomaly associated with parity

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a **significant deviation** from **expected** value

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normally?

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normally

abnormally (anomaly)!



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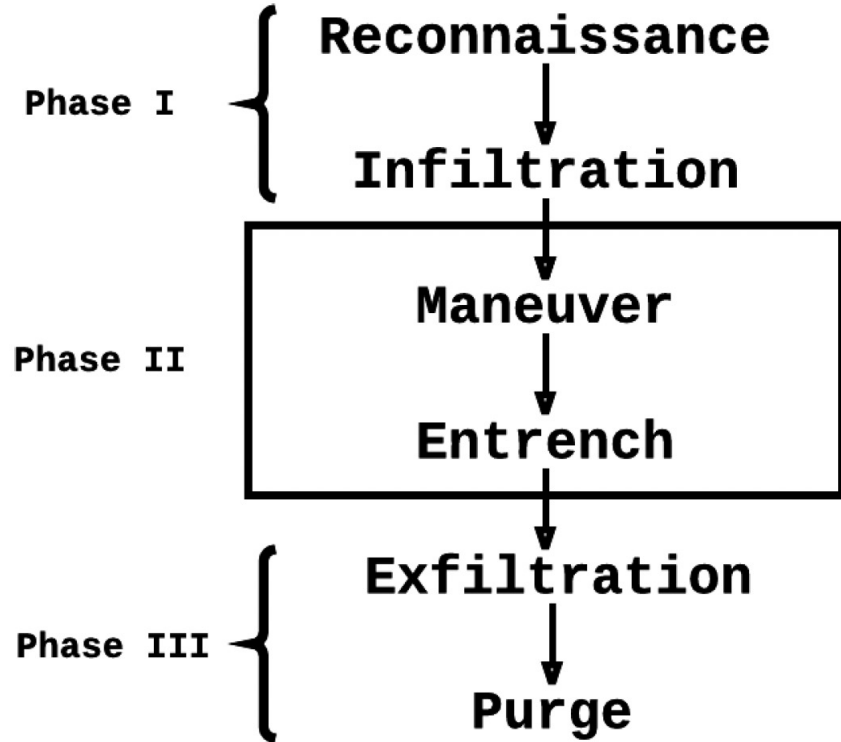
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Main stages:

- Preparation (generates anomalies)
- Execution (generates anomalies)
- Covering up the tracks (generates anomalies)

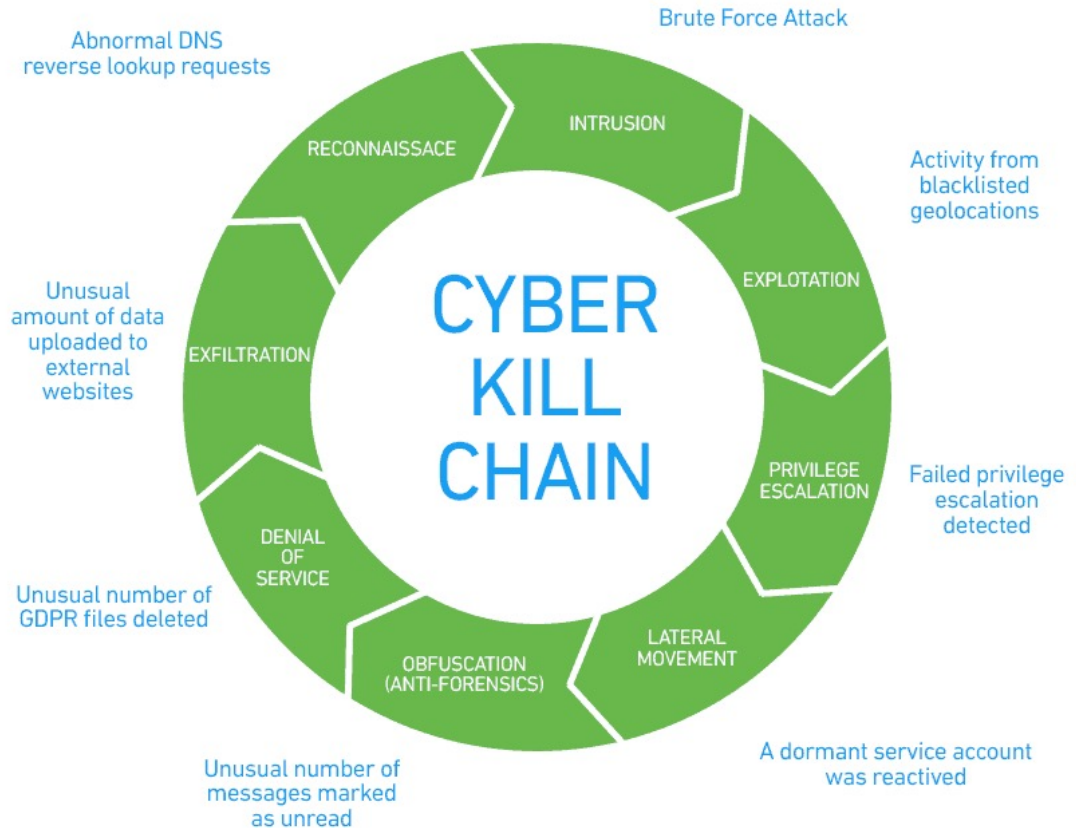


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anomaly may be found on the every single stage of cyber kill chain

anomaly is not something you may immediately understand looking at some small piece of data or a very narrow time range

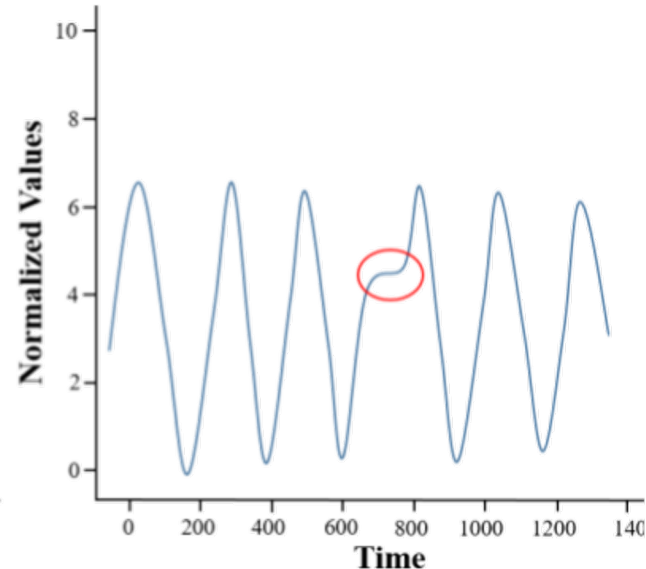
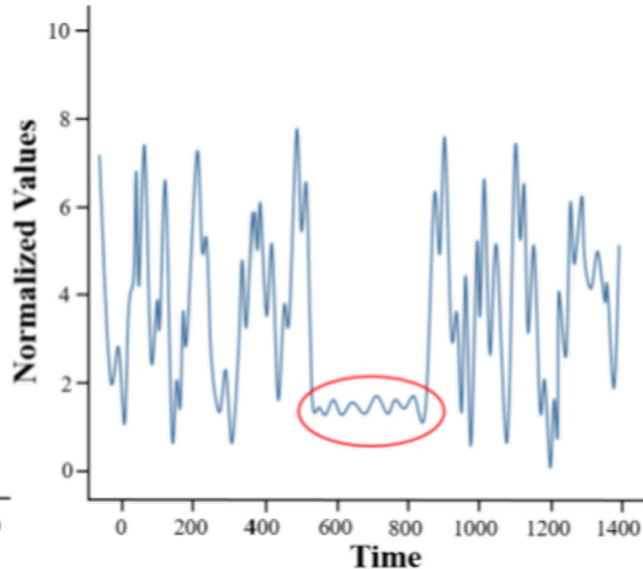
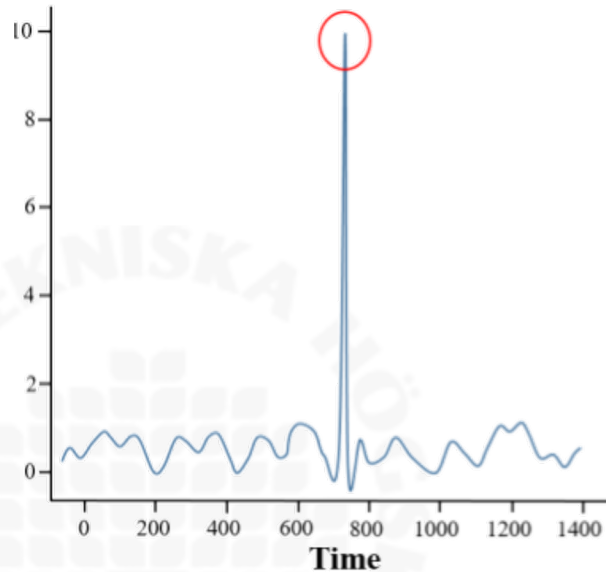
to detect anomaly you have to monitor the system state including its behavior as actions and as re-actions (response)



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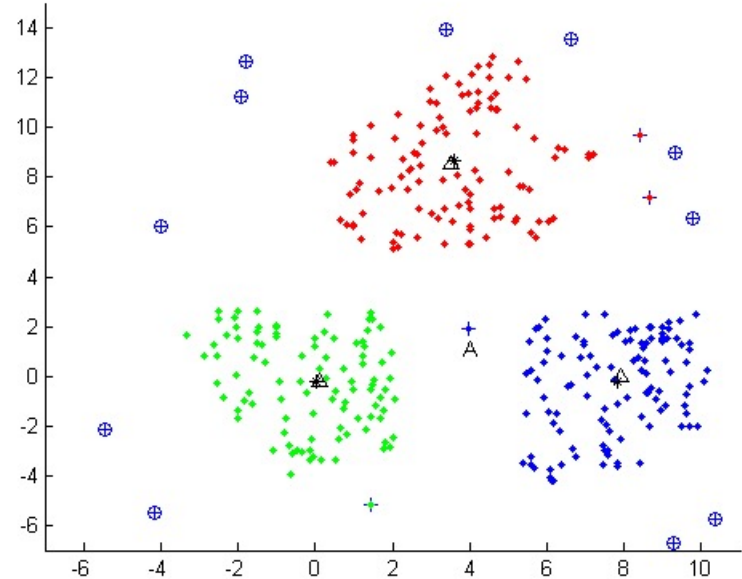
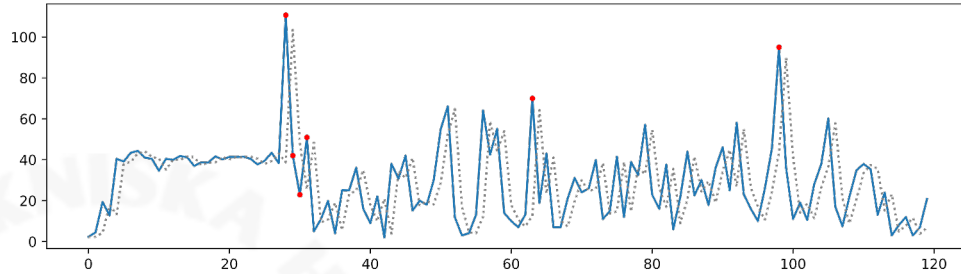
time-series anomaly types:

- point (outlier)
- contextual
- collective



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- static anomaly (density based, mainly used to understand whether the value belongs to particular cluster)
- dynamic anomaly (time-value based)



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data:

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- Username (categorical)
- HTTP-referrer (string)
- HTTP request (string)
- User-Agent (string)
- HTTP-response (categorical)
- Bytes sent
- etc.

NCSA Common log format

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information (extracted):

- average requests amount from this IP per time range (numerical)
- average amount of requests from this user (numerical)
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methods

outliers detection:

statistical method (standard deviations)

machine learning (supervised, unsupervised)

artificial neural networks

prediction-based models

context anomaly detection:

machine learning

artificial neural networks

prediction-based models

collective anomalies:

machine learning

artificial neural networks

prediction-based models

tools

Essential features for ADS

- Anomaly Detection
- Real-time Alerts
- Dashboards
- Integration

Numenta, AVORA, **Splunk Enterprise**, **Loom Systems**, **Elastic X-Pack**, Anodot, Crunch Metrics

are some of the Top* Anomaly Detection Software

Also, take a look into **Sentinel One** and **Darktrace**

* <https://www.predictiveanalyticstoday.com/top-anomaly-detection-software/>



conclusions & tricks

Behavior is actions and re-action we can **measure** and expect

Behavior is always put into **context**

Anomaly is the behavior we **do not expect**

Anomaly can be found by **patterns** of behavior expectations (more precise, less alerts)

Anomaly can be found **pattern-less** (more alerts but more FP)

Anomaly may exist even you're not aware of it, so keep watching and extend your monitoring area (normalization is normal)



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Any questions?

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