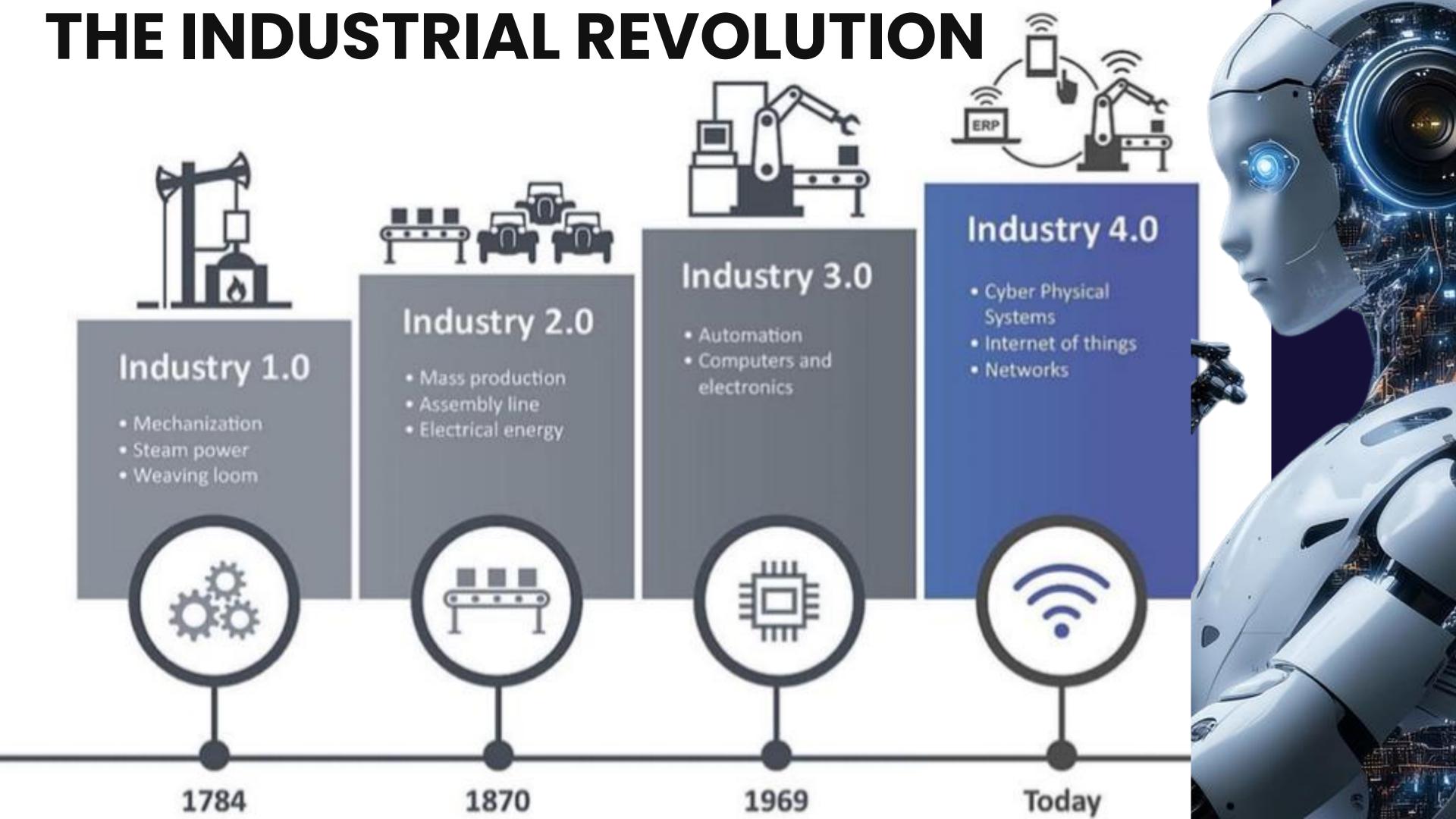




Securing the AI-Powered Office Cybersecurity Best Practices for Administrative Professionals

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MUT Collaboration





THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION



Change of Organizational Structures

- Change of business model
- Cooperative structures enhancing interdisciplinary collaboration
- New concepts for facultie or departments





- New role of examination offices
- No fixed degree programs
- Acceleration in education in line with fast innovation cycles

New Teaching Methods

- New teaching concepts (e.g., flipped classroom)
- New methods of teaching and supporting infrastructures (e.g., equipment for virtual worlds)
- Digital rights management



Change of Learning

- Massive and personalized learning
- New learning infrastructure (e.g., increased computing capacity)
- Shift from in-person learning to distance learning

VALUE CREATON FOR MUT

Operational efficiency and effectiveness.

Cost savings.

Improved campus experiences.

Expanding digital and online learning platforms.

Digital Transformation Stack

- Digitization
- Analogue to digital
- Organize information

 Digitalization

Digitalization

- Automated processes
- Streamline processes

Digital Transformation

- Strategy
- Culture change

Digital Journey (Roadmap)

1. Define "AS-IS"

2.Define "TO-BE"

3.Road Map for Digital Journey



INFO RISK MANAGEMENT Managing Incident Management **User Privileges** Removable Monitoring Media Controls Produce supporting risk management policies Maintain Board engagement with cyber risk Information Risk Management Regime Malware Secure Configuration Protection Establish governanca & determine risk appetits Network Home and **Mobile Working** Security **User Education** and Awareness

CONCLUSION

AI/ML are the engine of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Education must shift from content delivery to capability building—embed AI across curricula, upskill staff, and give learners real-world projects.

Used well, AI personalizes learning, flags risk, automates admin, and expands access—anchored by ethics and privacy.

Al won't replace educators; it amplifies them, preparing our future stars to thrive and lead.





CYBER ATTACKS MOVE
AT MACHINE SPEED-OUR
DEFENSE MUST TOO.



THE EVOLVING THREAT LANDSCAPE



Pair Zero Trust with Al-driven detection, strong MFA/least privilege, and tested recovery.

INDUSTRIALIZED CRIME:

Ransomware-as-a-Service and affiliate gangs launch attacks in minutes, at scale. AI-POWERED DECEPTION:

Deepfakes, voice clones, and hyper-personalized phishing bypass human intuition.

EXPANDING ATTACK SURFACE:

OT/IoT, mobiles, and home networks widen entry points.



HOW UNIVERSITIES CAN USE AI/ML FOR CYBER DEFENSE



- Prevent: Al email + DMARC; risk-based MFA; ML data classification for student/research data.
- Detect: UEBA; EDR/NDR behavior analytics; SIEM + ML correlation to surface real incidents.
- Respond & Recover: SOAR auto-containment; Al triage; backup anomaly detection for clean restores.
- Govern & Educate: Adaptive phishing training; privacy & POPIA by design; continuous model tuning.



AI-POWERED VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS



- Finds weak spots automatically: Al scans our systems and flags "easy entry points" before criminals do.
- Picks what to fix first: Ranks issues by real-world risk so limited time/budget hits the biggest problems.
- Stays up to date: Checks daily as new threats emerge—no more once-a-year audits.
- Outcome: Fewer breaches, less downtime, clearer action lists for teams and leaders.

VULNERABILITY DISCOVERY RISK PRIORITIZATION

AUTOMATED PATCHING





- Faster detection: Correlates noisy alerts to spot real attacks sooner.
- Automated response: Runs pre-approved playbooks—isolates devices, blocks bad domains, resets risky accounts—in seconds.
- Human-in-the-loop: Analysts approve high-impact steps; unusual cases are escalated.
- Audit & compliance: Every action is logged for reporting and reviews.
- Outcome: Shorter outages (MTTD/MTTR \(\psi \)), smaller blast radius.

THREAT DETECTION INCIDENT CONTAINMENT

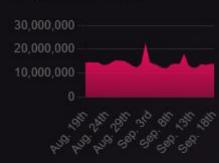
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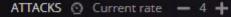
AI-POWERED THREAT INTELLIGENCE





RECENT DAILY ATTACKS

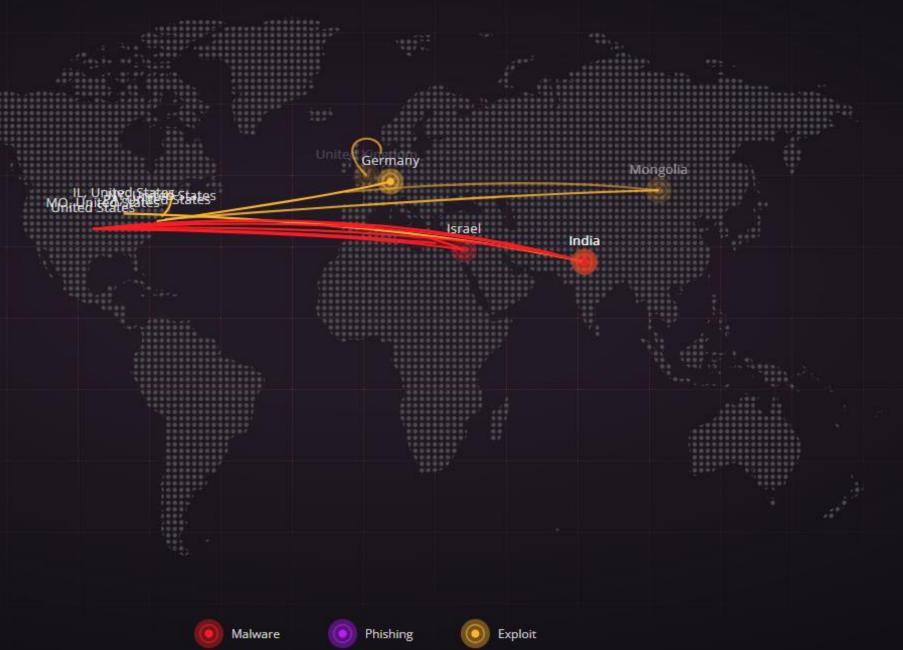




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LIVE CYBER THREAT MAP



DON'T WAIT TO BE ATTACKED PREVENTION STARTS NOW >

TOP TARGETED COUNTRIES

Highest rate of attacks per organization in the last day.

- Ethiopia
- Georgia
- Nepal
- Uzbekistan
- Mongolia Mongolia

TOP TARGETED INDUSTRIES

Highest rate of attacks per organization in the last day.

- Education
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- Telecommunications
- m Government

TOP MALWARE TYPES

Malware types with the highest global impact in the last

- ☐ Mobile
- * Adware
- Phishing



ENHANCING MUT CYBERSECURITY WITH MACHINE LEARNING



- Stop it before inbox: AI/ML blocks phishing, BEC, and zero-day malware predelivery.
- Smarter phishing defense: Language + behavior models catch spear-phish and imposters.
- Safe files & links: CDR cleans attachments; link protection checks destinations in real time.
- Always up to date: Protections auto-learn from global threat intel—no manual tuning.
- Less noise for IT: High accuracy, fewer false positives, quicker quarantine/response.

Outcome: Safer staff email with fewer incidents and less operational drag.

THREATCL QUD AI

The Brain Behind Check Point's Best Security





INTEGRATING AI INTO EXISTING SECURITY FRAMEWORKS

SECURITY INFORMATION AND EVENT MANAGEMENT (SIEM)-

- Smart Triage: AI/ML reduces false positives, prioritizing real threats.
- Automated Response: ML-driven SOAR playbooks speed up incident handling.
- Adaptive Detection: Learns from data to spot anomalies and new attack patterns.

ENDPOINT SECURITY

- 24×7 monitoring of servers/endpoints
- Behavioral AI detects ransomware, fileless, and unknown threats.
- Zero-Trust Application Service blocks untrusted apps.
- Rapid response: auto-isolate hosts, kill processes, quarantine files.
- Telemetry to SIEM.
- Playbooks + human review for high-impact actions.

NETWORK SECURITY

Network Service Provider - integrates and enriches our SIEM alerts

IDENTITY AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT (IAM)

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- Block more threats before they land (email, endpoints, accounts).
- Spot risks early from patterns and anomalies.
- Automate routine fixes and containment in seconds.
- Free staff time for teaching and research.
- POPIA + human oversight → faster services, safer systems, more resilient campus.





Thank You for Your Attention



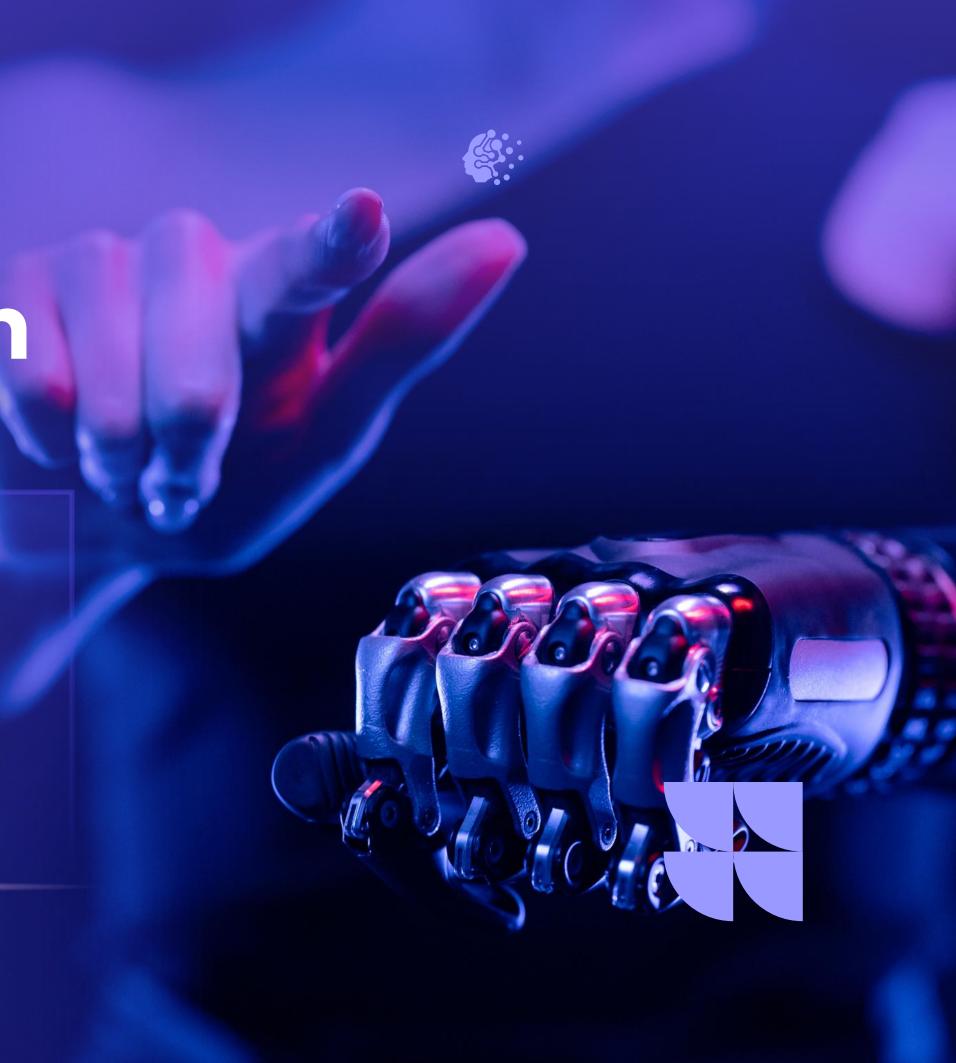
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2. The Future of Education

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