

Signature matching is a report

on an attack that already happened.

Multi-stage attacks orchestrated by AI don't present a signature until late. Each stage looks individually unremarkable; the pattern only resolves once the payload executes. Detection built on matching known indicators is structurally behind.

A world model learns the embedding-space trajectory of normal network and endpoint behaviour – the same self-supervised approach behind the track's embodied-agent research. An attack surfaces as divergence from a predicted trajectory, not as a match against a library.

Model system state, not just signatures	The model learns what normal looks like as a continuous trajectory across network and endpoint behaviour.
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Flag deviation pre-exploit	Attacks are detected as predicted-trajectory divergence, often before payload execution rather than after a signature match.
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Licensable IP for two buyer groups	Positioned as defence IP for cybersecurity vendors to embed, and for banks to deploy directly over critical infrastructure.
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Predict before breach

A shift from reactive signature-matching to trajectory-level anomaly forecasting.

Illustrative target application for the IEPA track's Year-1 industry-contract layer – not yet a shipped result.

A research lab that owns what it builds.

IIDA is a non-profit research lab working on applied AI problems that are commercially real in three to five years – too long for a startup, too applied for a university. A Focused Research Organization takes on bottlenecks that are too engineering-heavy for academia and not immediately profitable enough for venture capital.

Time-bound

3-year horizons with pre-committed exit conditions

Owns assets

IP and equipment sit with IIDA, not brokered

Self-sustaining

Target of $\geq 30\%$ revenue from industry by Year 2

Kill criteria, day one

The track narrows or closes if replication doesn't reach published baselines within two quarters

WHAT A SECURITY PARTNER GETS

- 01** A named research pod (6–10 contributors) on trajectory-level anomaly forecasting
 - 02** Defence IP you can embed in your own product rather than license per-seat from a model vendor
 - 03** Open architecture and position papers from the underlying track – the method is auditable, which matters when the buyer is a regulated institution
 - 04** A shared research base with the BFSI track, so critical-infrastructure deployment and vendor embedding are developed against the same model
- ASK** A design partner with production telemetry to work against, and a research lead for the track. The lead position is currently open.

■ NEXT STEPS

What happens after you say yes.

- 01** WEEKS 1-4 · CONTACT & SCOPE
An NDA and an exploratory conversation. The pod maps the anomaly-forecasting track against your telemetry and environment, and names the problem statement.
- 02** MONTHS 2-5 · PILOT AGAINST THE KILL CRITERION
The named pod (6-10 contributors) runs the pilot against the criterion agreed at the start – reaching published replication baselines within two quarters.
- 03** MONTH 6 · FORMALISE OR CLOSE
The engagement becomes a licensing and collaboration agreement, or – if the criterion isn't met – it closes on schedule rather than being extended.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY – THE QUESTION YOU WILL ASK FIRST

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