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MISP - THREAT SHARING

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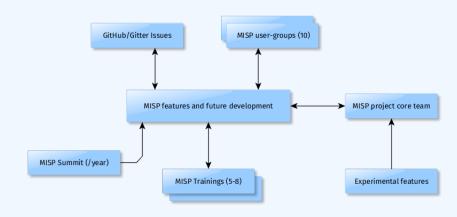
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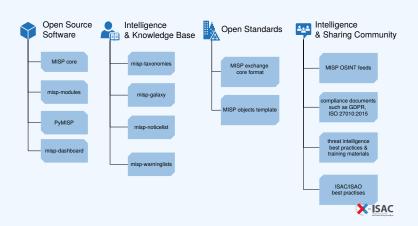
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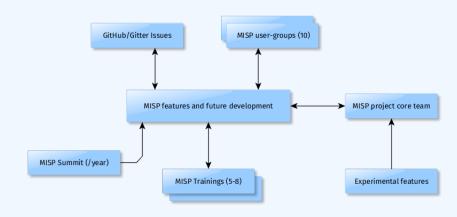
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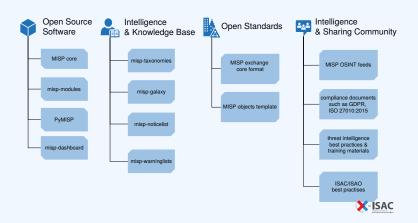
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GETTING SOME NAMING CONVENTIONS OUT OF THE WAY...

■ Data layer

- **Events** are encapsulations for contextually linked information
- ► **Attributes** are individual data points, which can be indicators or supporting data
- ▶ **Objects** are custom templated Attribute compositions
- Object references are the relationships between other building blocks
- Sightings are time-specific occurances of a given data-point detected

Context layer

- ► Tags are labels attached to events/attributes and can come from Taxonomies
- Galaxy-clusters are knowledge base items used to label events/attributes and come from Galaxies
- ► Cluster relationships denote pre-defined relationships between clusters

TERMINOLOGY ABOUT INDICATORS

- Indicators²
 - Indicators contain a pattern that can be used to detect suspicious or malicious cyber activity.
- Attributes in MISP can be network indicators (e.g. IP address), system indicators (e.g. a string in memory) or even bank account details.
 - ► A type (e.g. MD5, url) is how an attribute is described.
 - An attribute is always in a category (e.g. Payload delivery) which puts it in a context.
 - A category is what describes an attribute.
 - ► An IDS flag on an attribute allows to determine if **an attribute** can be automatically used for detection.

²loC (Indicator of Compromise) is a subset of indicators

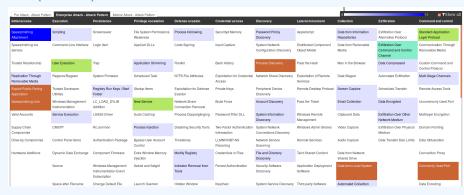
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2018-09-28	Other	account-name: text	FANY SILU CO. LIMITED		Add			
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CONTEXTUALISATION AND AGGREGATION

 MISP integrates at the event and the attribute levels MITRE's Adversarial Tactics, Techniques, and Common Knowledge (ATT&CK).

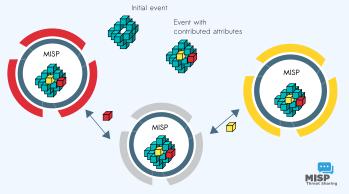


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MISP core distributed sharing functionality

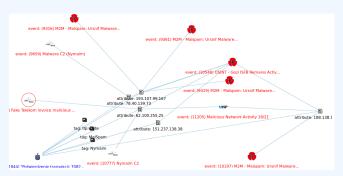
- MISPs' core functionality is sharing where everyone can be a consumer and/or a contributor/producer."
- Quick benefit without the obligation to contribute.
- Low barrier access to get acquainted to the system.



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CORRELATION FEATURES: A TOOL FOR ANALYSTS



■ To corroborate a finding (e.g. is this the same campaign?), reinforce an analysis (e.g. do other analysts have the same hypothesis?), confirm a specific aspect (e.g. are the sinkhole IP addresses used for one campaign?) or just find if this threat is new or unknown in your community.

SIGHTINGS SUPPORT



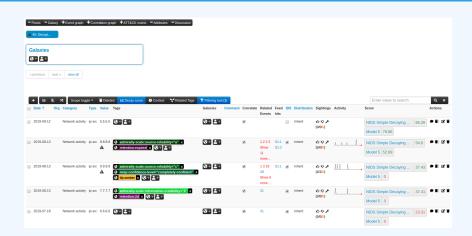
- Has a data-point been **sighted** by me or the community before?
- Additionally, the sighting system supports negative sigthings (FP) and expiration sightings.
- Sightings can be performed via the API or the UI.
- Many use-cases for scoring indicators based on users sighting.
- For large quantities of data, SightingDB by Devo

TIMELINES AND GIVING INFORMATION A TEMPORAL CONTEXT

- Recently introduced first_seen and last_seen data points
- All data-points can be placed in time
- Enables the **visualisation** and **adjustment** of indicators timeframes

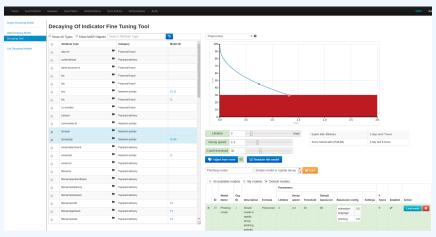


LIFE-CYCLE MANAGEMENT VIA DECAYING OF INDICATORS



- Decay score toggle button
 - ► Shows Score for each *Models* associated to the *Attribute* type

DECAYING OF INDICATORS: FINE TUNING TOOL



Create, modify, visualise, perform mapping

DECAYING OF INDICATORS: SIMULATION TOOL



Simulate Attributes with different Models

BOOTSTRAPPING YOUR MISP WITH DATA

- We maintain the default CIRCL OSINT feeds (TLP:WHITE selected from our communities) in MISP to allow users to ease their bootstrapping.
- The format of the OSINT feed is based on standard MISP JSON output pulled from a remote TLS/HTTP server.
- Additional content providers can provide their own MISP feeds.(https://botvrij.eu/)
- Allows users to test their MISP installations and synchronisation with a real dataset.
- Opening contribution to other threat intel feeds but also allowing the analysis of overlapping data³.

³A recurring challenge in information sharing

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MISP - VM

- Credentials
 - ► MISP admin: admin@admin.test/admin
 - ► SSH: misp/Password1234
- Available at the following location (VirtualBox and VMWare):
 - ► https://www.circl.lu/misp-images/latest/

MISP - VM

- It is a bit broken.
 - ► sudo -s
 - cd /var/www/MISP/
 - sudo pear install INSTALL/dependencies/Console_CommandLine/package.xml
 - sudo pear install INSTALL/dependencies/Crypt_GPG/package.xml
 - cd /usr/local/src/misp-modules
 - ▶ pip3 install -r REQUIREMENTS
 - ▶ pip3 install.
 - reboot

MISP - GENERAL USAGE

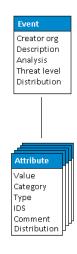
Plan for this part of the training

- Data model
- Viewing data
- Creating data
- Co-operation
- Distribution
- Exports

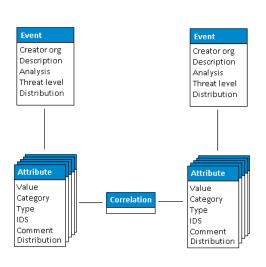
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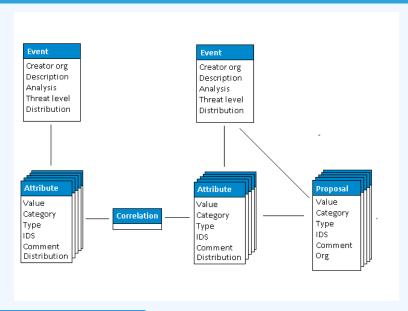
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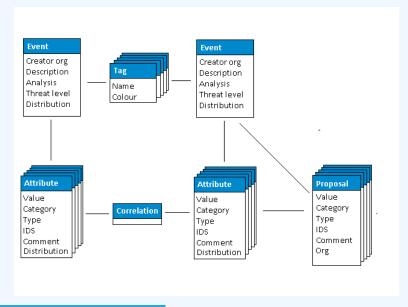
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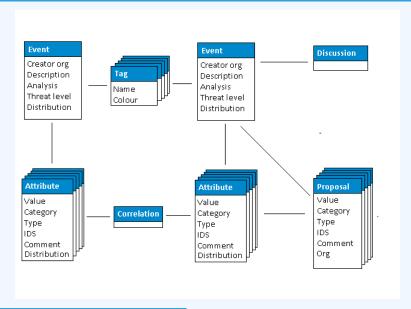
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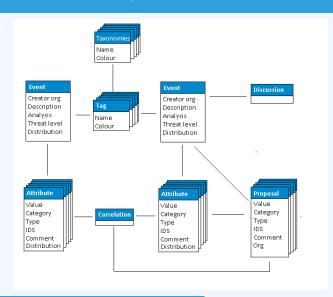
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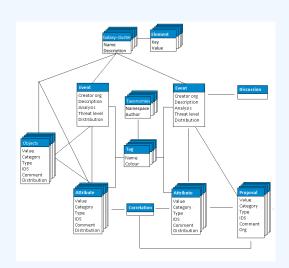
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MISP - EVENT (THE STATE OF THE ART MISP DATAMODEL)



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- Event Index
 - Event context
 - ► Tags
 - **▶** Distribution
 - ► Correlations
- Filters

MISP - VIEWING AN EVENT

- Event View
 - Event context
 - Attributes
 - Category/type, IDS, Correlations
 - Objects
 - ► Galaxies
 - Proposals
 - Discussions
- Tools to find what you are looking for
- Correlation graphs

MISP - Creating and populating events in various ways (demo)

- The main tools to populate an event
 - ► Adding attributes / batch add
 - Adding objects and how the object templates work
 - ► Freetext import
 - ► Import
 - ► Templates
 - ► Adding attachments / screenshots
 - ► API

MISP - VARIOUS FEATURES WHILE ADDING DATA

- What happens automatically when adding data?
 - ► Automatic correlation
 - Input modification via validation and filters (regex)
 - ► Tagging / Galaxy Clusters
- Various ways to publish data
 - ► Publish with/without e-mail
 - Publishing via the API
 - Delegation

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MISP - USING THE DATA

- Correlation graphs
- Downloading the data in various formats
- API (explained later)
- Collaborating with users (proposals, discussions, emails)

MISP - SYNC EXPLAINED (IF NO ADMIN TRAINING)

- Sync connections
- Pull/push model
- Previewing instances
- Filtering the sync
- Connection test tool
- Cherry pick mode

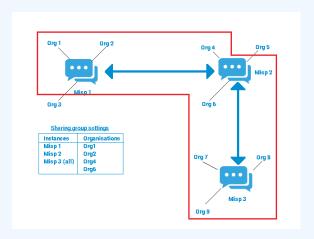
MISP - FEEDS EXPLAINED (IF NO ADMIN TRAINING)

- Feed types (MISP, Freetext, CSV)
- Adding/editing feeds
- Previewing feeds
- Local vs Network feeds

MISP - DISTRIBUTIONS EXPLAINED

- Your Organisation Only
- This Community Only
- Connected Communities
- All Communities
- Sharing Group

MISP - DISTRIBUTION AND TOPOLOGY



MISP - EXPORTS AND API

- Download an event
- Quick glance at the APIs
- Download search results
- ReST API and query builder

MISP - SHORTHAND ADMIN (IF NO ADMIN TRAINING)

- Settings
- Troubleshooting
- Workers
- Logs

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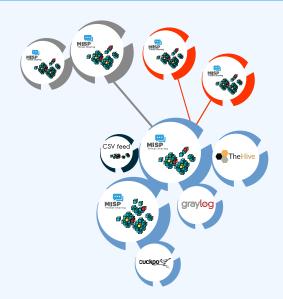
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RECOMMENDED MISP SETUP

- Provisioning your MISP infrastructure depends heavily on the **number of attributes/events** (whether your dataset is below or above 50 million attributes).
- Number of MISP instances and the overall design depends on the following factors:
 - ► Is your community private? Are you gathering MISP events from other communities? Are you **publishing events to external** (trusted/untrusted) communities.
 - ▶ Do you plan to have automatic tools (e.g. sandbox analysis or low-value information needing correlation or an analyst workbench) feeding MISP?

VENDORS AND FORMATS

- There is a jungle of formats with some vendors having little to no interest in keeping their users autonomous.
- Attacks and threats require a **dynamic format** to be efficiently shared (e.g. from financial indicators to personal information).
- Review your current list of formats/vendors to ensure a limited loss of information, especially when exporting from MISP to other formats (e.g. STIX not supporting financial indicators or taxonomies/galaxies).

USE CASE: NORMALIZING OSINT AND PRIVATE FEEDS

- Normalizing external input and feed into MISP (e.g. feed importer).
- Comparing feeds before import (how many similarities? false-positives?).
- Evaluating quality of information before import (warning-list lookup at feed evaluation).

CONNECTING DEVICES AND TOOLS TO MISP

- One of the main goals of MISP is to feed protective or detection tools with data
 - ► IDSes / IPSes (e.g. Suricata, Bro, Snort format as included in Cisco products)
 - ► SIEMs (e.g. CEF, CSV or real-time ZMQ pub-sub or Sigma)
 - ► Host scanners (e.g. OpenIOC, STIX, yara rule-set, CSV)
 - ► Various analysis tools (e.g. Maltego)
 - ► DNS policies (e.g. RPZ)
- Various ways of exporting this data (downloads of the selected data, full exports, APIs)
- The idea was to leave the selection process of the subset of data to be pushed to these up to the user using APIs.

SIEM AND MISP INTEGRATION

- SIEMs and MISP can be integrated with different techniques depending on the processes at your SOC or IR:
 - Pulling events (via the API) or indicator lists at regular intervals in a given time frame to perform lookups.
 - ► Subscribing to the MISP ZMQ **pub-sub channel** to directly get the published events and use these in a lookup process.
 - ► **Lookup expansion module** in MISP towards the SIEM to have a direct view of the attributes matched against the SIEM.
- The above options can be combined, depending on your organisation or requirements to increase coverage and detection.

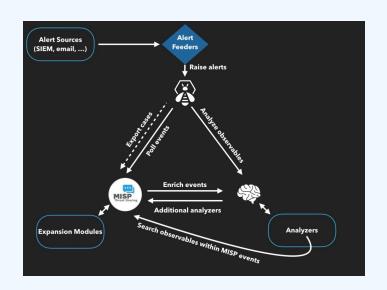
ZMQ INTEGRATION: MISP-DASHBOARD

- A dashboard showing live data and statistics from the ZMQ pub-sub of one or more MISP instances.
- Building low-latency software by consuming pub-sub channel provides significant advantages over standard API use.
- Process information in **real-time** when it's updated, created, published or gathered in MISP.
- Demo!

New integrations: IR and threat hunting using MISP

- Close co-operation with the Hive project for IR
 - ► Interact with MISP directly from the Hive
 - ► Use both the MISP modules and the **Cortex** analysers in MISP or the Hive directly
- Using MISP to support your threat hunting via McAfeeOpenDXL
- (https://securingtomorrow.mcafee.com/business/ optimize-operations/ expanding-automated-threat-hunting-response-open-

THE HIVE INTEGRATION



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REPORTING BACK FROM YOUR DEVICES, TOOLS OR PROCESSES

As **Sightings** can be positive, negative or even based on expiration, different use cases are possible:

- **Sightings** allow users to notify a MISP instance about the activities related to an indicator.
- Activities can be from a SIEM (e.g. Splunk lookup validation or **false-positive feedback**), a NIDS or honeypot devices¹.
- Sighting can affect the API to limit the NIDS exports and improve the NIDS rule-set directly.

https://www.github.com/MISP/misp-sighting-tools

Q&A

- info@circl.lu (if you want to join the CIRCL MISP sharing community)
- https://github.com/MISP/http://www.misp-project.org/
- We welcome any contributions to the project, be it pull requests, ideas, github issues,...

VIPER - USING MISP FROM YOUR TER-MINAL

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VIPER - MAIN IDEAS

Viper is a binary analysis and management framework. Its fundamental objective is to provide a solution to easily organize your collection of malware and exploit samples as well as your collection of scripts you created or found over the time to facilitate your daily research. Think of it as a Metasploit for malware researchers: it provides a terminal interface that you can use to store, search and analyze arbitrary files with and a framework to easily create plugins of any sort.

VIPER

- Solid CLI
- Plenty of modules (PE files, *office, ELF, APK, ...)
- Connection to 3rd party services (MISP, VirusTotal, cuckoo)
- Connectors to 3rd party tools (IDA, radare)
- Locale storage of your own zoo
- Django interface is available (I've been told)

VIPER

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Command
              Parse Android Applications
              Scan file from local ClamAV daemon
clamav
               Submit the file to Cuckoo Sandbox
debun
              Parse McAfee BUP Files
               Edit distance on the filenames
               Extract information from ELF headers
elf
email
               Parse eml and msg email files
              Extract Exif MetaData
               Search for similar files through fuzzy hashing
              Parse html files and extract content
html
               Start IDA Pro
              Parse Java IDX files
               Perform analysis on images
               Parse Java JAR archives
               Interact with Koodous
koodous
lastline
               Submit files and retrieve reports from LastLine (default will print short summary)
               Get Macho OSX Headers
              Upload and query IOCs to/from a MISP instance
               Office Document Parser
ndf
              Parse and analyze PDF documents
               Ouerv a Passivé DNS server
pdns
               Extract information from PE32 headers
pssl
               Ouerv a Passive SSL server
              Process PST Files for Attachment
               Start Radare2
              Extract information from known RAT families
               Online Sandboxes Reports
              Search for known shellcode patterns
               Size command to show/scan/cluster files
              Extract strings from file
               Parse, analyze and decompress Flash objects
               Perform some initial triaging and tagging of the file
```

PYMISP & VIPER

- Full featured **CLI for MISP**
- Remote storage of your zoo
- Search / Cross check with VirusTotal
- Create / Update / Show / Publish Event
- Download / Upload Samples
- Mass export / Upload / Download
- Get Yara rules

MISP Module

```
viper > misp -h
usage: misp [-h] [--url URL] [-k KEY] [-v]
            {upload, download, search, check_hashes, yara, pull, create event, add, show, open.
publish.version.store}
Upload and query IOCs to/from a MISP instance
positional arguments:
  fupload.download.search.check hashes.vara.pull.create event.add.show.open.publish.ve
rsion,store}
                        Send malware sample to MISP.
    upload
    download
                        Download malware samples from MISP.
                        Search in all the attributes.
    check hashes
                        Crosscheck hashes on VT.
                        Get YARA rules of an event.
    yara
    llua
                        Initialize the session with an existing MISP event.
    create event
                        Create a new event on MISP and initialize the session
                        with it.
    add
                        Add attributes to an existing MISP event.
    show
                        Show attributes to an existing MISP event.
    open
                        Open a sample from the temp directory.
    publish
                        Publish an existing MISP event.
                        Returns the version of the MISP instance.
    version
                        Store the current MISP event in the current project.
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                        show this help message and exit
  --url URL
                        URL of the MISP instance
  -k KEY, --kev KEY
                        Your key on the MISP instance
                        Disable certificate verification (for self-signed)
  -v. --verify
```

VIPER & VT

- Searches for hashes/ips/domains/URLs from the current MISP event, or download the samples
- Download samples from current MISP event
- Download all samples from all the MISP events of the current session

VIRUSTOTAL MODULE

```
Lookup the file on VirusTotal
optional arguments:
 -h. --help
                       show this help message and exit
 -- search SEARCH Search a hash.
 -c COMMENT [COMMENT ...], --comment COMMENT [COMMENT ...]
                       Comment to add to the file
 -d, --download
                       Hash of the file to download
 -dl, --download list List the downloaded files
 -do DOWNLOAD_OPEN, --download_open_DOWNLOAD_OPEN
                        Open a file from the list of the DL files (ID)
 -don DOWNLOAD_OPEN_NAME, --download_open_name DOWNLOAD_OPEN_NAME
                        Open a file by name from the list of the DL files
                        (NAMe)
 -dd DOWNLOAD DELETE, --download delete DOWNLOAD DELETE
                       Delete a file from the list of the DL files can be an
                        ID or all.
 -s, --submit
                        Submit file or a URL to VirusTotal (by default it only
                       looks up the hash/url)
 -i IP, --ip IP
                       IP address to lookup in the passive DNS
 -dm DOMAIN, --domain DOMAIN
                       Domain to lookup in the passive DNS
 -υ URL, --υrl URL
                       URL to lookup on VT
 -v, --verbose
                       Turn on verbose mode.
 -m {hashes, ips, domains, urls, download, download all}, --misp {hashes, ips, domains, urls,
download, download all}
                        Searches for the hashes, ips, domains or URLs from the
                        current MISP event, or download the samples if
                        possible. Be carefull with download all: it will
                        download *all* the samples of all the MISP events in
                        the current project.
```

EXTRA FEATURES

- Link to a MISP event
- Local storage of the MISP event
- On the fly cross-check of MISP atributes with 3rd party services
- Never leaving your CLI!

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OTHER MODULES

- Fully featured CLI for **Passive SSL**
- Fully featured CLI for **Passive DNS**
- Can launch Radare2 or IDA

PASSIVE SSL

```
viper > pssl -h
usage: pssl [-h] [--url URL] [-u USER] [-p PASSWORD] [-i IP] [-c CERT]
           [-f FETCH] [-v] [-m {ips}]
Query a Passive SSL server
optional arguments:
 -h, --help
                       show this help message and exit
 --url URL
                       URL of the Passive SSL server (No path)
 -u USER, --user USER Username on the PSSL instance
 -p PASSWORD, --password PASSWORD
                       Password on the PSSL instance
 -i IP. --ip IP IP to query (can be a block, max /23).
 -c CERT, --cert CERT SHA1 of the certificate to search.
 -f FETCH, --fetch FETCH
                       SHA1 of the certificate to fetch.
 -v, --verbose
                       Turn on verbose mode.
 -m {ips}, --misp {ips}
                       Searches for the ips from the current MISP event
```

PASSIVE DNS

```
viper > pdns -h
usage: pdns [-h] [--url URL] [-u USER] [-p PASSWORD] [-v] [-m {ips,domains}]
            [query]
Query a Passive DNS server
positional arguments:
                         Domain or IP address to query
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                      show this help message and exit
URL of the Passive DNS server
 -- url URL
  -u USER, --user USER Username on the PDNS instance
  -p PASSWORD, --password PASSWORD
                         Password on the PDNS instance
  -v, --verbose Turn on verbose mode.
  -m {ips,domains}, --misp {ips,domains}
                         Searches for the ips or domains from the current MISP
                         event
```

Q&A



- https://github.com/MISP/PyMISP
- https://github.com/MISP/
- https://github.com/viper-framework/viper
- We welcome new functionalities and pull requests.

MAIL_TO_MISP

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CONTEXT

- You receive emails with IoC's inside
- How to create an event out of it?
- Create event manually and copy paste
- → This works once or twice
- Forwarding the email would be nice
- lacksquare ightarrow mail_to_misp

FEATURES: EMAIL HANDLING

- Extraction of URLs and IP addresses and port numbers
- Extraction of hostnames from URLs
- Extraction of hashes (MD5, SHA1, SHA256)
- DNS expansion
- Subject filters
- Refanging of URLs ('hxxp://...')
- ... and more

FEATURES: SUPPORT MISP FEATURES

- Add tags automatically
- Ignore 'whitelisted' domains
- Configurable list of attributes not to enable the IDS flag
- DNS expansion
- Automatically create 'external analysis' links based on filter list (e.g. VirusTotal, malwr.com)
- Automatically filter out attributes that are on a server side warning list
- Support for value sighting
- ... and more

IMPLEMENTATION

■ Legacy

- Email → Apple Mail → Mail rule → AppleScript
 → AppleScript → mail_to_misp → PyMISP → MISP
- ► Email \rightarrow Thunderbird \rightarrow Mail rule \rightarrow filterscript \rightarrow thunderbird_wrapper \rightarrow mail_to_misp \rightarrow PyMISP \rightarrow MISP
- Postfix and others
 - ► Email → mail_to_misp

INSTALLATION

- mail_to_misp
 - 1. git clone
 git://github.com/MISP/mail_to_misp.git
 - 2. Install dependencies See Github site
- MTA (Postfix or alike)
 - 1. Setup a new email address in the aliases file (e.g.
 /etc/aliases)
 misp handler: "|/path/to/mail to misp.pv -"
 - Rebuild the DB sudo newaliases
 - 3. Configure mail_to_misp_config.py

```
misp_url = 'http://127.o.o.1/'
misp_key = 'ssjPWClud36Z8XHgsiCVI7SaL1XsMTyfEsN45tTe'
misp_verifycert = True
body_config_prefix = 'm2m'
...
```

EXERCISE: MAIL_2_MISP.PY

■ Bonus: https://github.com/MISP/mail_to_misp_test ./mail to misp.py -r mail to misp test/simple forward.eml

■ Bonus: Fake-SMTPD spamtrap

```
./fake_smtp.py

telnet 127.0.0.1 2526
   Trying 127.0.0.1...
   Connected to 127.0.0.1.
   Escape character is '^]'.
   220 misp Python SMTP 1.1
   helo misp
   250 misp
   mail from: mikel
   250 OK
   rcpt to: mzm
   250 OK
   data
   354 End data with <CR><LF>.<CR><LF>
```

MISP USER TRAINING - ADMINISTRATION OF MISP 2.4

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MISP - VM

- VM can be downloaded at https://www.circl.lu/misp-training/
- Credentials
 - ► MISP admin: admin@admin.test/admin
 - ► SSH: misp/Password1234
- 2 network interfaces
 - ► NAT
 - Host only adapter
- Start the enrichment system by typing:
 - cd /home/misp/misp-modules/bin
 - python3 misp-modules.py

MISP - ADMINISTRATION

- Plan for this part of the training
 - User and Organisaton administration
 - Sharing group creation
 - ► Templates
 - ► Tags and Taxonomy
 - Whitelisting and Regexp entries
 - Setting up the synchronisation
 - Scheduled tasks
 - ► Feeds
 - Settings and diagnostics
 - Logging
 - Troubleshooting and updating

MISP - CREATING USERS

- Add new user (andras.iklody@circl.lu)
- NIDS SID, Organisation, disable user
- Fetch the PGP key
- Roles
 - ► Re-using standard roles
 - Creating a new custom role
- Send out credentials

MISP - CREATING ORGANISATIONS

- Adding a new organisation
- UUID
- Local vs External organisation
- Making an organisation self sustaining with Org Admins
- Creating a sync user

MISP - SHARING GROUPS

- The concept of a sharing group
- Creating a sharing group
- Adding extending rights to an organisation
- Include all organisations of an instance
- Not specifying an instance
- Making a sharing group active
- Reviewing the sharing group

MISP - TEMPLATES

- Why templating?
- Create a basic template
- Text fields
- Attribute fields
- Attachment fields
- Automatic tagging

MISP - TAGS AND TAXONOMIES

- git submodule init && git submodule update
- Loading taxonomies
- Enabling taxonomies and associated tags
- Tag management
- Exportable tags

MISP - OBJECT TEMPLATES

- git submodule init && git submodule update
- Enabling objects (and what about versioning)

MISP - WHITELISTING, REGEXP ENTRIES, WARNINGLISTS

- Block from exports whitelisting
- Block from imports blacklisting via regexp
- Modify on import modification via regexp
- Maintaining the warninglists

MISP - SETTING UP THE SYNCHRONISATION

- Requirements versions
- Pull/Push
- One way vs Two way synchronisation
- Exchanging sync users
- Certificates
- Filtering
- Connection test tool
- Previewing an instance
- Cherry picking and keeping the list updated

MISP - SCHEDULED TASKS

- How to schedule the next execution
- Frequency, next execution
- What happens if a job fails?

MISP - SETTING UP THE SYNCHRONISATION

- MISP Feeds and their generation
- PyMISP
- Default free feeds
- Enabling a feed
- Previewing a feed and cherry picking
- Feed filters
- Auto tagging

MISP - SETTINGS AND DIAGNOSTICS

- Settings
 - Settings interface
 - ► The tabs explained at a glance
 - ► Issues and their severity
 - Setting guidance and how to best use it

- Basic instance setup
- Additional features released as hotfixes
- Customise the look and feel of your MISP
- Default behaviour (encryption, e-mailing, default distributions)
- Maintenance mode
- Disabling the e-mail alerts for an initial sync

- Plugins
 - ► Enrichment Modules
 - ► RPZ
 - ► ZeroMQ

- Diagnostics
 - Updating MISP
 - ► Writeable Directories
 - ► PHP settings
 - Dependency diagnostics

Workers

- What do the background workers do?
- Queues
- Restarting workers, adding workers, removing workers
- ► Worker diagnostics (queue size, jobs page)
- Clearing worker queues
- Worker and background job debugging

■ Seeking help

- Dump your settings to a file!
- ► Make sure to sanitise it
- ► Send it to us together with your issue to make our lives easier
- Ask Github (https://github.com/MISP/MISP)
- ► Have a chat with us on gitter (https://gitter.im/MISP/MISP)
- ► Ask the MISP mailing list
- ► If this is security related, drop us a PGP encrypted email to mailto:info@circl.lu

MISP - LOGGING

- Audit logs in MISP
- Enable IP logging / API logging
- Search the logs, the fields explained
- External logs
 - /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/logs/error.log
 - /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/logs/resque-worker-error.log
 - /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/logs/resque-scheduler-error.log
 - /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/logs/resque-[date].log
 - /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/logs/error.log
 - apache access logs

MISP - UPDATING MISP

- git pull
- git submodule init && git submodule update
- reset the permissions if it goes wrong according to the **INSTALL.txt**
- when MISP complains about missing fields, make sure to clear the caches
 - ▶ in /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/cache/models remove myapp*
 - ▶ in /var/www/MISP/app/tmp/cache/persistent remove myapp*
- No additional action required on hotfix level
- Read the migration guide for major and minor version changes

MISP - ADMINISTRATIVE TOOLS

- Upgrade scripts for minor / major versions
- Maintenance scripts

Information Sharing and Tax- ONOMIES

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FROM TAGGING TO FLEXIBLE TAXONOMIES



- Tagging is a simple way to attach a classification to an event or an attribute.
- In the early version of MISP, tagging was local to an instance.
- Classification must be globally used to be efficient.
- After evaluating different solutions of classification, we built a new scheme using the concept of machine tags.

MACHINE TAGS

■ Triple tag, or machine tag, format was introduced in 2004 to extend geotagging on images.

- A machine tag is just a tag expressed in way that allows systems to parse and interpret it.
- Still have a human-readable version:
 - admiralty-scale:source-reliability="Fairly reliable"

MISP TAXONOMIES

- Taxonomies are implemented in a simple JSON format.
- Anyone can create their own taxonomy or reuse an existing one.
- The taxonomies are in an independent git repository¹.
- These can be freely reused and integrated into other threat intel tools.
- Taxonomies are licensed under Creative Commons (public domain) except if the taxonomy author decided to use another license.

https://www.github.com/MISP/misp-taxonomies/

EXISTING TAXONOMIES

- NATO Admiralty Scale
- CIRCL Taxonomy Schemes of Classification in Incident Response and Detection
- eCSIRT and IntelMQ incident classification
- EUCI EU classified information marking
- Information Security Marking Metadata from DNI (Director of National Intelligence - US)
- NATO Classification Marking
- OSINT Open Source Intelligence Classification
- TLP Traffic Light Protocol
- Vocabulary for Event Recording and Incident Sharing VERIS
- And many more like ENISA, Europol, or the draft FIRST SIG Information Exchange Policy.

WANT TO WRITE YOUR OWN TAXONOMY? 1/2

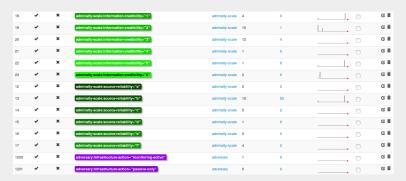
```
"namespace": "admiralty-scale".
     "description": "The Admiralty Scale (also called the NATO System
         ) is used to rank the reliability of a source and the
         credibility of an information.",
     "version": 1.
     "predicates": [
6
         "value": "source-reliability",
8
         "expanded": "Source Reliability"
9
10
         "value": "information-credibility",
11
         "expanded": "Information Credibility"
12
13
14
15
```

WANT TO WRITE YOUR OWN TAXONOMY? 2/2

Publishing your taxonomy is as easy as a simple git pull request on misp-taxonomies².

²https://github.com/MISP/misp-taxonomies

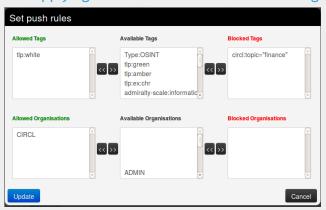
HOW ARE TAXONOMIES INTEGRATED IN MISP?



- MISP administrator can just import (or even cherry pick) the namespace or predicates they want to use as tags.
- Tags can be exported to other instances.
- Tags are also accessible via the MISP REST API.

FILTERING THE DISTRIBUTION OF EVENTS AMONG MISP INSTANCES

Applying rules for distribution based on tags:



OTHER USE CASES USING MISP TAXONOMIES

- Tags can be used to set events or attributes for **further processing by external tools** (e.g. VirusTotal auto-expansion using Viper).
- Ensuring a classification manager classifies the events before release (e.g. release of information from air-gapped/classified networks).
- Enriching IDS export with tags to fit your NIDS deployment.
- Using IntelMQ and MISP together to process events (tags limited per organization introduced in MISP 2.4.49).

FUTURE FUNCTIONALITIES RELATED TO MISP TAXONOMIES

- **Sighting** support (thanks to NCSC-NL) is integrated in MISP allowing to auto expire IOC based on user detection.
- Adjusting taxonomies (adding/removing tags) based on their score or visibility via sighting.
- Simple taxonomy editors to **help non-technical users** to create their taxonomies.
- **Filtering mechanisms** in MISP to rename or replace taxonomies/tags at pull and push synchronisation.
- More public taxonomies to be included.

PYTAXONOMIES

- Python module to handle the taxonomies
- Offline and online mode (fetch the newest taxonomies from GitHub)
- Simple **search** to make tagging easy
- Totally independent from MISP
- No external dependencies in offline mode
- Python3 only
- Can be used to create & dump a new taxonomy

PYTAXONOMIES

```
from pytaxonomies import Taxonomies
taxonomies = Taxonomies()
taxonomies, version
# => '20160725'
taxonomies.description
# => 'Manifest file of MISP taxonomies available.'
list (taxonomies.kevs())
# => ['tlp', 'eu-critical-sectors', 'de-vs', 'osint', 'circl', 'veris',
          'ecsirt', 'dhs-ciip-sectors', 'fr-classif', 'misp', 'admiralty-scale', ...]
taxonomies.get('enisa').description
# 'The present threat taxonomy is an initial version that has been developed on
# the basis of available ENISA material. This material has been used as an ENISA—internal
# structuring aid for information collection and threat consolidation purposes.
# It emerged in the time period 2012-2015.'
print(taxonomies.get('circl'))
# circl:incident-classification = "vulnerability"
# circl:incident-classification="malware"
# circl:incident-classification = "fastflux"
# circl:incident-classification="system-compromise"
# circl:incident-classification="sal-injection"
print(taxonomies.get('circl').machinetags_expanded())
# circl:incident—classification = "Phishing"
# circl:incident-classification = "Malware"
# circl:incident-classification = "XSS"
# circl:incident-classification="Copyright issue"
# circl:incident-classification = "Spam"
# circl:incident-classification = "SQL Injection"
```

THE DILEMMA OF FALSE-POSITIVES

- False-positives are a **common issue** in threat intelligence sharing.
- It's often a contextual issue:
 - ► False-positives might be different per community of users sharing information.
 - Organizations might have their own view on false-positives.
- Based on the success of the MISP taxonomy model, we built misp-warninglists.

MISP WARNING LISTS

- misp-warninglists are lists of well-known indicators that can be associated to potential false positives, errors, or mistakes.
- Simple JSON files

MISP WARNING LISTS

- The warning lists are integrated in MISP to display an info/warning box at the event and attribute level.
- Enforceable via the API where all attributes that have a hit on a warninglist will be excluded.
- This can be enabled at MISP instance level.
- Default warning lists can be enabled or disabled like known public resolver, multicast IP addresses, hashes for empty values, rfc1918, TLDs or known Google domains.
- The warning lists can be expanded or added in JSON locally or via pull requests.
- Warning lists can be also used for **critical or core** infrastructure warning, personally identifiable information...

Q&A



- https://github.com/MISP/MISP
- https://github.com/MISP/misp-taxonomies
- https://github.com/MISP/PyTaxonomies
- https://github.com/MISP/misp-warninglists
- info@circl.lu (if you want to join one of the MISP community operated by CIRCL)
- PGP key fingerprint: CA57 2205 COO2 4E06 BA70 BE89 EAAD CFFC 22BD 4CD5

EXTENDING MISP WITH PYTHON MOD-ULES

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WHY WE WANT TO GO MORE MODULAR...

- Ways to extend MISP before modules
 - ► APIs (PyMISP, MISP API)
 - Works really well
 - No integration with the UI
 - ► Change the core code
 - Have to change the core of MISP, diverge from upstream
 - Needs a deep understanding of MISP internals
 - Let's not beat around the bush: Everyone hates PHP

GOALS FOR THE MODULE SYSTEM

- Have a way to extend MISP without altering the core
- Get started quickly without a need to study the internals
- Make the modules as light weight as possible
 - Module developers should only have to worry about the data transformation
 - Modules should have a simple and clean skeleton
- In a friendlier language **Python**

MISP MODULES - EXTENDING MISP WITH PYTHON SCRIPTS



- Extending MISP with expansion modules with zero customization in MISP.
- A simple ReST API between the modules and MISP allowing auto-discovery of new modules with their features.
- Benefit from existing Python modules in Viper or any other tools.
- MISP modules functionnality introduced in MISP 2.4.28.
- MISP import/export modules introduced in MISP 2.4.50.

MISP MODULES - INSTALLATION

- MISP modules can be run on the same system or on a remote server.
- Python 3 is required to run MISP modules.
 - sudo apt-get install python3-dev python3-pip libpq5
 - cd /usr/local/src/
 - ▶ sudo git clone https://github.com/MISP/misp-modules.git
 - cd misp-modules
 - ► sudo pip3 install -I -r REQUIREMENTS
 - ► sudo pip3 install -I.
 - sudo vi /etc/rc.local, add this line: 'sudo -u www-data misp-modules -s &'

MISP MODULES - SIMPLE REST API MECHANISM

- http://127.0.0.1:6666/modules introspection interface to get all modules available
 - returns a JSON with a description of each module
- http://127.0.0.1:6666/query interface to query a specific module
 - ▶ to send a JSON to query the module
- MISP autodiscovers the available modules and the MISP site administrator can enable modules as they wish.
- If a configuration is required for a module, MISP adds automatically the option in the server settings.

FINDING AVAILABLE MISP MODULES

■ curl -s http://127.0.0.1:6666/modules

```
"type": "expansion",
                "name": "dns".
                "meta": {
                  "module-type": [
                    "expansion",
                    "hover"
                  "description": "Simple DNS expansion service
                     to resolve IP address from MISP
                     attributes",
                  "author": "Alexandre Dulaunoy",
                  "version": "0.1"
                "mispattributes": {
                  "output": [
                    "ip-src".
                    "ip-dst"
18
                  "input": [
                    "hostname".
                    "domain"
```

MISP modules - configuration in the UI



MISP MODULES - HOW IT'S INTEGRATED IN THE UI?





Enrichment Results

Below you can see the attributes that are to be created. Make sure that the categories and the types are correct, often several options will be offered based on an inconclusive automatic resolution.



Update all comment fields

MISP MODULES - MAIN TYPES OF MODULES

- Expansion modules enrich data that is in MISP
 - Hover type showing the expanded values directly on the attributes
 - Expansion type showing and adding the expanded values via a proposal form
- Import modules import new data into MISP
- Export modules export existing data from MISP

QUERYING A MODULE

■ curl -s http://127.0.0.1:6666/query -H "Content-Type: application/json" -data @body.json -X POST

body.json

```
1 {"module": "dns", "hostname": "www.circl.lu"}
```

and the response of the dns module:

CREATING YOUR MODULE - DNS MODULE

```
import ison
import dns.resolver
misperrors = {'error' : 'Error'}
mispattributes = {'input': ['hostname', 'domain'], 'output': ['ip-src', 'ip-dst']}
moduleinfo = {'version': '0.1', 'author': 'Alexandre Dulaunoy',
               'description': 'Simple DNS expansion service to resolve IP address from MISP attributes', 'module-type': ['expansion','hover']}
def handler(q=False):
    if q is False:
        return False
    request = json.loads(q)
    if request get ('hostname'):
        toquery = request['hostname']
    elif request.get('domain'):
       toquery = request['domain']
        return False
   r = dns.resolver.Resolver()
       answer = r.query(toquery, 'A')
   except dns.resolver.NXDOMAIN:
        misperrors['error'] = "NXDOMAIN"
        return misperrors
    except dns.exception.Timeout:
        return misperrors
        misperrors['error'] = "DNS resolving error"
        return misperrors
   r = {'results': [{'types': mispattributes['output'], 'values':[str(answer[o])]}]}
   return r
def introspection():
   return mispattributes
def version():
   return moduleinfo
```

TESTING YOUR MODULE

- Copy your module dns.py in modules/expansion/
- Restart the server misp-modules.py

```
[adulau:-/git/misp-modules/bin]$ python3 misp-modules.py
2016-03-20 19:25:43,748 - misp-modules - INFO - MISP modules passivetotal imported
2016-03-20 19:25:43,787 - misp-modules - INFO - MISP modules sourcecache imported
2016-03-20 19:25:43,789 - misp-modules - INFO - MISP modules cve imported
2016-03-20 19:25:43,790 - misp-modules - INFO - MISP modules distributed
2016-03-20 19:25:43,797 - misp-modules - INFO - MISP modules server started on TCP port 6666
```

- Check if your module is present in the introspection
- curl -s http://127.0.0.1:6666/modules
- If yes, test it directly with MISP or via curl

CODE SAMPLES (CONFIGURATION)

```
# Configuration at the top
moduleconfig = ['username', 'password']
# Code block in the handler
if request.get('config'):
    if (request['config'], get('username') is None) or (request['config'], get('password') is None):
        misperrors['error'] = 'CIRCL Passive SSL authentication is missing'
    return misperrors

x = pvpssl.pvpSSL(basic_auth=(request['config']['username'], request['config']['password']))
```

DEFAULT EXPANSION MODULE SET

- asn history
- CIRCL Passive DNS
- CIRCL Passive SSL
- Country code lookup
- CVE information expansion
- DNS resolver
- DomainTools
- eupi (checking url in phishing database)
- IntelMQ (experimental)
- ipasn
- PassiveTotal http://blog.passivetotal.org/misp-sharing-done-differently
- sourcecache
- Virustotal
- Whois

IMPORT MODULES

- Similar to expansion modules
- Input is a file upload or a text paste
- Output is a list of parsed attributes to be editend and verified by the user
- Some examples
 - Cuckoo JSON import
 - ► email import
 - ► OCR module
 - ▶ Open IoC import

EXPORT MODULES

- Not the preferred way to export data from MISP
- Input is currently only a single event
- Output is a file in the export format served back to the user
- Will be moved / merged with MISP built-in export modules
 - Allows export of event / attribute collections

NEW EXPANSION & IMPORT MODULES FORMAT

 Backward compatible - an additional field to extend the format

- Takes a standard MISP attribute as input
- Returns MISP format
 - Attributes
 - Objects (with their references)
 - ▶ Tags

```
results = {'Attribute': [...], 'Object': [...], 'Tag': [...]}
```

- First modules supporting this new export format
 - urlhaus expansion module
 - ► Joe Sandbox import & query module

NEW EXPANSION & IMPORT MODULES VIEW (MISP 2.4.110

Enrichment Results Relow you can see the attributes and objects that are to be created from the results of the enrichment module Event ID 1229 Event UUID 5cc3042c-8bb4-4837-9564-47aca964451a Event creator org #Resolved Attributes 14 (2 Objects) Value UUID Disable Distribution Category Correlation Name: virustotal-report 53 Inherit event adr32dee-4651-41a1-a558-5a1b3f9e4be1 Other detection-ratio: text 10 / 66 f2b701d43a43315105d549612b2 Inherit event permalink: link https://www.virustotal.com/file/t/3fad6911b80be1d64eb88ba/2fecbcddc2faa73017b6dbcf78578ef47 40b3d10d-5e81-48c7-9fe7-be2b2898427b f2b701d43a43315105d549612b2 Inherit event 552ed/analysis/1554403108/ Name: file 🕽 Payload delivery sha256: sha256 d3fad6911b80be1d64eb88bs23fecbcddc2tsa73017b6dbcf78578eff47552ed 5026ab08-8fod-49e4-a485-b69e92d0295b 8 f2b701d43a43315105d549612b2 Inherit event Other size-in-bytes: size-in-bytes 98304 9eef6454-fa6f-4210-a88a-e401599b4f71 f2b701d43a43315105d549612b2 Inherit event Network activity http://automotivedreamteam.com/v.exe eb97b50e-b872-405f-9be9-2dc39459d5e0 f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 | Inherit event Network activity http://shopalidoospoop.com/v.exe a3986a11-4e60-4fb5-ba40-999666402cbc f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 Inherit event http://pooperscooperfranchise.com/v.exe 3778adbd-f7b6-4186-x052-746x3895b9+0 f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 Inherit event http://cherryhillpoopers.com/v.exe b804db74-4a62-4cd7-abef-a4b68781411e f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 Inherit event 09d672d8-82f8-469f-9c1f-5315td226d44 http://alldogspoop.net/v.exe f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 Inherit event Network activity http://aildogspoop.mobi/v.exe 48aeba96-b739-47a0-94c1-d583b2b9c4ae f2b701d43a43315105d549612b2 Inherit event urt http://aildogspoop.info/v.exe 0f5art15b.47ed.4772.acb8.rt2240a6ed8c3 [2b701d43a43315105d649612b2] Inherit event http://alldogspoop.biz/v.exe 90b29dt8-d778-4415-8544-5a2tcf53dt47 9 f2b701d43a43315105d649612b2 Inherit event

FUTURE OF THE MODULES SYSTEM

- Enrichment on full events
- Move the modules to background processes with a messaging system
- Have a way to skip the results preview
 - Preview can be very heavy
 - Difficulty is dealing with uncertain results (without the user having final say)

Q&A



- https://github.com/MISP/misp-modules
- https://github.com/MISP/
- We welcome new modules and pull requests.
- MISP modules can be designed as standalone application.

MISP GALAXY

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MISP GALAXIES

- MISP started out as a platform for technical indicator sharing
- The need for a way to describe threat actors, tools and other commonalities became more and more pressing
- **Taxonomies quickly became essential for classifying events**
- The weakness of the tagging aproach is that it's not very descriptive
- We needed a way to attach more complex structures to data
- Also, with the different naming conventions for the same "thing" attribution was a mess
- This is where the Galaxy concept came in

SOLUTION

- Pre-crafted galaxy "clusters" via GitHub project
- Attach them to an event and attribute(s)
- The main design principle was that these higher level informations are meant for human consumption
- This means flexibility key value pairs, describe them dynamically
- Technical indicators remain strongly typed and validated, galaxies are loose key value lists

THE GALAXY OBJECT STACK

- Galaxy: The type of data described (Threat actor, Tool, ...)
- Cluster: An individual instance of the galaxy (Sofacy, Turla, ...)
- **Element**: Key value pairs describing the cluster (Country: RU, Synonym: APT28, Fancy Bear)
- **Reference**: Referenced galaxy cluster (Such as a threat actor using a specific tool)

(SOME) EXISTING GALAXIES

- **Exploit-Kit**: An enumeration of known exploitation kits used by adversaries
- Microsoft activity group: Adversary groups as defined by Microsoft
- **Preventive measure**: Potential preventive measures against threats
- Ransomware: List of known ransomwares
- TDS: Traffic Direction System used by adversaries
- Threat-Actor: Known or estimated adversary groups
- **Tool**: Tools used by adversaries (from Malware to common tools)
- MITRE ATT&CK: Adversarial Tactics, Techniques, and Common Knowledge (ATT&CK™)

WHAT A CLUSTER LOOKS LIKE

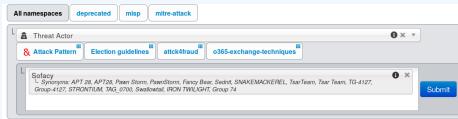
Galaxies Threat Actor Q - Sofacy Q III iii Description The Sofacy Group (also known as APT28, Pawn Storm, Fancy Bear and Sednit) is a cyber espionage group believed to have ties to the Russian government. Likely operating since 2007, the group is known to target government, military, and security organizations. It has been characterized as an advanced persistent threat. Synonyms APT 28 APT28 Pawn Storm Fancy Bear Sednit TsarTeam TG-4127 Group-4127 STRONTIUM Grey-Cloud Source MISP Project Authors Alexandre Dulaunoy Florian Roth Thomas Schreck Timo Steffens Various Country RU Refs https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sofacy Group Add new cluster

ATTACHING CLUSTERS TO EVENTS

- Internally simply using a taxonomy-like tag to attach them to events
- Example: misp-galaxy:threat-actor="Sofacy"
- **Synchronisation works out of the box** with older instances too. They will simply see the tags until they upgrade.
- Currently, as mentioned we rely on the community's contribution of galaxies

ATTACHING CLUSTERS

■ Use a searchable synonym database to find what you're after



CREATING YOUR OWN GALAXY

- Creating galaxy clusters has to be straightforward to get the community to contribute
- Building on the prior success of the taxonomies and warninglists
- Simple JSON format in similar fashion
- Just drop the JSON in the proper directory and let MISP ingest it
- We always look forward to contributions to our galaxies repository

GALAXY JSON

If you want to create a completely new galaxy instead of enriching an existing one

CLUSTER JSON

- Clusters contain the meat of the data
- Skeleton structure as follows

CLUSTER JSON VALUE EXAMPLE

```
"meta" · {
           "synonyms": [
               "APT 28", "APT28", "Pawn Storm", "Fancy Bear",
5
               "Sednit", "TsarTeam", "TG-4127", "Group-4127",
               "STRONTIUM". "Grev-Cloud"
7
8
           "country": "RU".
           "refs": [
9
             "https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sofacy_Group"
10
11
12
         "description": "The Sofacy Group (also known as APT28,
13
             Pawn Storm, Fancy Bear and Sednit) is a cyber
14
             espionage group believed to have ties to the
15
             Russian government. Likely operating since 2007,
16
             the group is known to target government, military,
17
             and security organizations. It has been
18
             characterized as an advanced persistent threat.",
19
         "value": "Sofacy"
20
       },
21
```

META BEST PRACTICES

- Reusing existing values such as complexity, effectiveness, country, possible_issues, colour, motive, impact, refs, synonyms, derivated_from, status, date, encryption, extensions, ransomnotes, cfr-suspected-victims, cfr-suspected-state-sponsor, cfr-type-of-incident, cfr-target-category, kill_chain.
- Or adding your own meta fields.

META BEST PRACTICES - A SAMPLE

```
1 {
         "description": "Putter Panda were the subject of an
2
             extensive report by CrowdStrike, which stated: 'The
             CrowdStrike Intelligence team has been tracking this
             particular unit since 2012, under the codename PUTTER
             PANDA, and has documented activity dating back to 2007.
             The report identifies Chen Ping, aka cpvv, and the
             primary location of Unit 61486.'",
         "meta": {
           "cfr-suspected-state-sponsor": "China",
           "cfr-suspected-victims": [
5
             "U.S. satellite and aerospace sector"
7
8
           "cfr-target-category": [
             "Private sector".
             "Government"
10
11
           "cfr-type-of-incident": "Espionage",
12
           "country": "CN".
13
           "refs": [
14
             "http://cdno.vox-cdn.com/assets/4589853/crowdstrike-
15
                  intelligence-report-putter-panda.original.pdf",
             "https://www.cfr.org/interactive/cyber-operations/putter
16
                 -panda"
```

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GALAXY JSON MATRIX-LIKE

Setup party/candidate registration (3 flems) Dos or overload of party/campaign registration, causing them to miss the deadline Fabricated signatures from sponsor Tampering with registrations Dos or overload of voter registration system, suppressing voters Identity fraud during voter registration Misconfiguration of a website Setup party/campaign campaign Campaign Tampaign Ta	Propose Attribute example-of-threats	Analysis	Initial	Initial	
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system, suppressing voters accounts Tampering with registrations Identity fraud during voter registration Leak of confidential information Misconfiguration of a website	registration, causing them to miss the		g or tampering with voter da		sites (defacement,
Misconfiguration of a website	Fabricated signatures from spons				ops or email
	Tampering with registrations	Identity	fraud during voter registrati	on Leak of confidential info	rmation
Select Some Options				Misconfiguration of a w	ebsite
Select Some Options					
Select Some Options					
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	Select Some Options				

GALAXY JSON MATRIX-LIKE

```
"description": "Universal Development and Security Guidelines as
           Applicable to Election Technology.",
     "icon": "map".
     "kill_chain_order": {
                                      \\Tab in the matrix
5
          "example-of-threats": [
                                      \\Column in the matrix
          "setup | party/candidate-registration",
78
          "setup | electoral-rolls",
          "campaign | campaign-IT",
          "all-phases | governement-IT",
          "voting | election-technology",
10
          "campaign/public-communication | media/press"
11
12
13
     "name": "Election guidelines",
14
     "namespace": "misp",
15
     "type": "guidelines",
16
17
     "uuid": "c1dco3b2-89b3-42a5-9d41-782ef726435a",
     "version": 1
18
19 }
```

CLUSTER JSON MATRIX-LIKE

```
"description": "DoS or overload of party/campaign
              registration, causing them to miss the deadline",
         "meta" · {
           "date": "March 2018.",
5
            "kill chain": [ \Define in which column the cluster should be placed
               "example-of-threats:setup | party/candidate-registration"
           "refs": [
              "https://www.ria.ee/sites/default/files/content-editors/
                  kuberturve/cyber security of election technology.pdf
10
11
         "uuid": "154c6186-a007-4460-a029-ea23163448fe",
12
         "value": "DoS or overload of party/campaign registration,
13
              causing them to miss the deadline"
14
```

EXPRESSING RELATION BETWEEN CLUSTERS

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 Cluster can be related to one or more clusters using default relationships from MISP objects and a list of tags to classify the relation.

PYMISPGALAXIES

```
from pymispgalaxies import Clusters
c = Clusters()
list(g.keys())
# ['threat-actor', 'ransomware', 'exploit-kit', 'tds', 'tool', 'rat', 'mitre-attack-pattern',
   'mitre-tool', 'microsoft-activity-group', 'mitre-course-of-action', 'mitre-malware',
   'mitre-intrusion-set', 'preventive-measure']
print(c.get("rat"))
# misp-galaxy:rat="Brat"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="Loki RAT"
# misp-galaxy:rat="join.me"
# misp-galaxy:rat="Setro"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="drat"
# misp-galaxy:rat="Plasma RAT"
# misp-galaxy:rat="NanoCore"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="DarkTrack"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="Theef"
# misp-galaxy:rat="Greame"
# misp-galaxy:rat="Nuclear RAT"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="DameWare Mini Remote Control"
# misp-galaxy:rat="ProRat"
# misp-galaxy:rat="death"
# misp-aalaxy:rat="Dark DDoSeR"
print(c.get("rat").description)
# remote administration tool or remote access tool (RAT), also called sometimes remote
# access trojan, is a piece of software or programming that allows a remote "operator"
# to control a system as if they have physical access to that system.
```

Q&A

- info@circl.lu (if you want to join the CIRCL MISP sharing community)
- OpenPGP fingerprint: 3B12 DCC2 82FA 2931 2F5B 709A 09E2
 CD49 44E6 CBCD
- https://github.com/MISP/http://www.misp-project.org/
- We welcome any contributions to the project, be it pull requests, ideas, github issues,...

MISP OBJECT TEMPLATE

BUILDING CUSTOM AND OPEN DATA MODELS

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OBJECTS - OR HOW WE LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE TEMPLATES

- Attributes are a simple but powerful tool to describe data
- Lacking the capability to create containers around attributes describing a common concept
- The goal was to develop something semi-standardised, with the option to **dynamically build templates**
- We have considered a list of different solutions such as simple boolean operators, but found that the current implementation was superior.
- The result is a simple template that uses the basic attriubte types as building blocks along with some meta data
- The template does **not have to be known** in order to use the constructed objects
- What we maintain now is a set of common objects, but similarly to our other JSON formats, users can extend it with their own ideas.

MISP OBJECT TEMPLATES

- Using a similar JSON format as the taxonomies, galaxies, warninglists.
- You can find the default set of object templates in the git repository¹.
- Some of the object templates capture objects from other standards or mimic the output of tools
- We tried to capture the most common use-cases coming from our own use-case as well as those of various partners that got involved
- Improvements or pull requests for new object templates are of course always welcome

https://www.github.com/MISP/misp-objects/

EXISTING OBJECT EXAMPLES

- AIL-leak AIL object, an example for an object catering to the output of another tool
- Android permission An object used to further contextualise another object
- Bank account.
- File Generic object to describe a file
- Passive DNS
- Regex
- Sandbox report
- Vulnerability Enabling new use-cases such as pre-sharing of vulnerability information
- X509
- Yara Verbatim sharing of rule sets along with meta-data

OBJECT TEMPLATE SKELETON

```
1 {
2     "requiredOneOf": [],
3     "required": [],
4     "attributes": {},
5     "version": 1,
6     "description": "My description",
7     "meta-category": "Chosen meta category",
8     "uuid": "Object template uuid",
9     "name": "Object template name"
10 }
```

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ADDING ELEMENTS TO AN OBJECT TEMPLATE

```
"regexp-type": {
    "description": "Type of the regular expression syntax.",
    "disable_correlation": true,
    "ui-priority": 0,
    "misp-attribute": "text",
    "values_list": [
    "PCRE",
    "PCRE2",
    "POSIX BRE",
    "POSIX ERE"
]
]
]
]
]
```

ATTRIBUTE KEYS

- Primary key: Object relation
- description: A description of the attribute in relation to the object
- disable_correlation: You can disable correlations for attributes in the resulting object
- ui-priority: Not implemented yet, but the idea is to have a "quick view" of objects only showing certain prio levels
- misp-attribute: The misp attribute type used as as the building block
- values_list: an optional list of values from which the usermust choose instead of entering a value manually
- sane_defaults: an optional list of values from which the user may choose instead of entering a value
- multiple: Allow the user to add more than one of this attribute

ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN KEYS

- The template also defines which of the added attributes are mandatory
- Requirements are pointed to via their object relations names
- We differentiate between two types of rule sets:
 - Required: Everything in this list has to be set in order for the object to validate
 - ► Required One Of: Any of the attributes in this list will satisfy the requirements

WHAT WILL THE TEMPLATE ACTUALLY DO?

- Templates create a form that can be used to populate an event
- When using templates, MISP will enforce everything according to the template rules
- However, these are only optional, users can avoid using the templates when creating events via the API
- The reason for this is that you do not need to have the template in order to create an object
- The limitation of this system: You **cannot modify** objects that were created with unknown templates

TEMPLATES AS RENDERED IN THE UI

Add File Object

Auu	File Object					
Object Template		File v10				
Description		File object describing a file with meta-information				
Requirements		Required one of: filename, size-in-bytes, authentihash, ssdeep, imphash, pehash, md5, sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384, sha512,				
		sha512/224, sha	a512/256, tlsh, pa	attern-in-file, x509-fingerprint-sl	a1, malware-sample	
Meta category		File				
Distribution		Inherit even	t	w		
Comment						
					4	
Save	Name :: type		Description	Category	Value	
	,,			,		
	Md5 :: md5		[Insecure] MD5 hash (128 bits)			
				Payload delivery	v	
			(120 Dits)			
	Pattern-in-file :: pattern-in-file		Pattern that can be found	Payload installation	¥	
			in the file			
	Sha256 :: sha256		Secure Hash Algorithm 2	Payload delivery	¥	
				. ay.oua aonvory		
			(256 bits)			
	Sha512 :: sha512		Secure Hash Algorithm 2			
				Payload delivery		
			(512 bits)			
			(SIZ DIS)			

TEMPLATES AS RENDERED IN THE UI



Q&A



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- PGP key fingerprint: CA57 2205 COO2 4E06 BA70 BE89 EAAD CFFC 22BD 4CD5

MISP DASHBOARD

REAL-TIME OVERVIEW OF THREAT INTELLIGENCE FROM

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MISP ZEROMQ

MISP ZEROMQ

MISP includes a flexible publish-subscribe model to allow real-time integration of the MISP activities:

- Event publication
- Attribute creation or removal
- Sighting
- User login
- ightarrow Operates at global level in MISP

MISP ZEROMQ

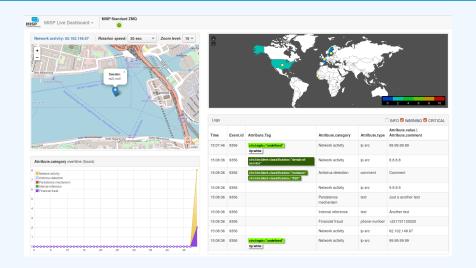
MISP ZeroMQ functionality can be used for various model of integration or to extend MISP functionalities:

- Real-time search of indicators into a SIEM¹
- Dashboard activities
- Logging mechanisms
- Continuous indexing
- Custom software or scripting

¹Security Information & Event Management

MISP-DASHBOARD: AN INTRODUCTION

MISP-Dashboard - Realtime activities and threat intelligence



MISP-DASHBOARD - FEATURES





- Subscribe to multiple **ZMQ** MISP instances
- Provides historical geolocalised information
- Present an experimental Gamification of the platform
- Shows when and how MISP is used
- Provides real time information showing current threats and activity

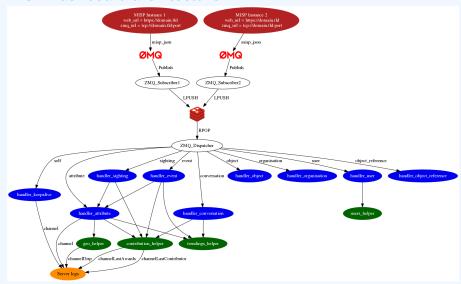
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MISP-DASHBOARD: ARCHITECTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

SETTING UP THE DASHBOARD

- 1. Be sure to have a running redis server: e.g.
 - ► redis-server -p 6250
- 2. Update your configuration in config.cfg
- 3. Activate your virtualenv:
 - ▶ . ./DASHENV/bin/activate
- 4. Listen to the MISP feed by starting the zmg_subscriber:
 - ./zmq_subscriber.py
- 5. Start the dispatcher to process received messages:
 - ./zmq_dispatcher.py
- 6. Start the Flask server:
 - ./server.py
- 7. Access the interface at http://localhost:8001/

MISP-Dashboard architecture



WRITING YOUR HANDLER

```
# Register your handler
 dico_action = {
           "misp json":
                                          handler dispatcher,
3
           "misp json event":
                                          handler event,
           "misp json self":
                                          handler keepalive,
           "misp json attribute":
                                          handler attribute,
           "misp json object":
                                          handler object,
           "misp json sighting":
                                          YOUR CUSTOM SIGHTINGS HANDLER,
           "misp json organisation":
                                          handler log,
           "misp json user":
                                          handler user,
10
                                          handler conversation,
           "misp json conversation":
11
           "misp json object reference": handler log,
12
13
14
```

```
1 # Implement your handler
2
  # e.g. user handler
  def handler user(zmq name, jsondata):
      # json action performed by the user
       action = jsondata['action']
      # user ison data
      json user = jsondata['User']
      # organisation json data
      json org = jsondata['Organisation']
10
      # organisation name
11
      org = json_org['name']
12
      # only consider user login
13
      if action == 'login':
14
           timestamp = time.time()
15
           # users helper is a class to interact with the DB
16
           users_helper.add_user_login(timestamp, org)
17
18
```

RECENT CHANGES IN THE MISP-DASHBOARD

- MISP authentication can now be used in the misp-dashboard
- Improved TLS/SSL support in the default misp-dashboard
- Self-test tool to debug and test ZMQ connectivity

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

Optimizing contribution scoring and model to encourage sharing and contributions enrichment



Increasing geolocation coverage



Global filtering capabilities

- Geolocation: Showing wanted attribute or only on specific region
 - Trendings: Showing only specified taxonomies



Tighter integration with MISP

- Present in MISP by default
- ACL enabled version

CONCLUSION

MISP-Dashboard can provides realtime information to support security teams, CSIRTs or SOC showing current threats and activity by providing:

- Historical geolocalised information
- Geospatial information from specific regions
- The most active events, categories, tags, attributes, ...

It also propose a prototype of gamification of the platform providing incentive to share and contribute to the community

CONTRIBUTING TO THE MISP PROJECT

BECOME PART OF THE COMMUNITY TO DESIGN, DEVELOP

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CODE OF CONDUCT

- The MISP project has a Contributor Covenant Code of Conduct¹.
- The goal of the code of conduct is to foster an **open, fun and welcoming environment**.
- Another important aspect of the MISP projects is to welcome different areas of expertise in information sharing and analysis. The diversity of the MISP community is important to make the project useful for everyone.

https://github.com/MISP/MISP/code_of_conduct.md

REPORTING A BUG, AN ISSUE OR SUGGESTING FEATURES

- The most common way to contribute to the MISP project is to report a bug, issues or suggesting features.
- Each project (MISP core, misp-modules, misp-book, misp-taxonomies, misp-galaxy, misp-object or PyMISP) has their **own issue management**.
- Don't forget that you can cross-reference issues from other sub-projects.
- If you know an answer or could help on a specific issue, we welcome all contributions including useful comments to reach a resolution.

REPORTING SECURITY VULNERABILITIES

- If you find security vulnerabilities (even minor ones) in MISP project, send an encrypted email (info@circl.lu) with the details and especially how to reproduce the issues. Avoid to share publicly the vulnerability before a fix is available in MISP. PGP key fingerprint: CA57 2205 COO2 4E06 BA70 BE89 EAAD CFFC 22BD 4CD5.
- We usually fix reported and confirmed security vulnerabilities in less than 48 hours.
- We will request a CVE number if the reporters didn't ask for one (don't forget to mention how you want to be credited).

AUTOMATIC INTEGRATION AND TESTING

- The majority of the repositories within the MISP GitHub organisation includes automatic integration via Github Actions.
- If you contribute and make a pull-request, verify if your changes affect the result of the tests.
- Automatic integration is not perfect including Travis but it's a quick win to catch new bugs or major issues in contribution.
- When you do a pull-request, the CI suite is automatically called².
 - If this fails, no worries, review the output at Github actions (it's not always you).
- We are working on additional automatic tests including security testing for the MISP core software (contributors are welcome).

²https://github.com/MISP/MISP/actions

JSON VALIDATION FOR MISP LIBRARIES

- All JSON format (galaxy, taxonomies, objects or warning-lists) are described in a JSON Schema³.
- The TravisCI tests are including JSON validation (via jq) and validated with the associated JSON schema.
- How to contribute a JSON library (objects, taxonomies, galaxy or warning-list):
 - If you update a JSON library, don't forget to run jq_all_the_things.sh. It's fast and easy. If it fails, review your JSON.
 - Commit your code and make a pull-request.
- Documentations (in PDF and HTML format) for the librairies are automatically generated from the JSON via asciidoctor⁴.

³schema_name.json

[&]quot;example https://github.com/MISP/misp-galaxy/blob/master/
tools/adoc_galaxy.py

DOCUMENTATION

- In addition to the automatic generation of documentations from JSON files, we maintain **misp-book**⁵ which is a generic documentation for MISP including usage, API documentation, best practices and specific configuration settings.
- The book is generated in HTML, PDF, epub and mobi using GitBook⁶ which is a framework to write documentation in MarkDown format.
- TravisCI is included in misp-book and the book generation is tested at each commit.
- The MISP book is regularly published on misp-project.org and circl.lu website.
- Contributors are welcome especially for new topics⁷ and also fixing our broken english.

⁵https://github.com/MISP/misp-book

⁶https://github.com/GitbookIO

⁷Topics of interest are analysts best-practices,

INTERNET-DRAFT - IETF FOR MISP FORMATS

- If you want to contribute to our IETF Internet-Draft for the MISP standard, misp-rfc⁸ is the repository where to contribute.
- **Update only the markdown file**, the XML and ASCII for the IETF I-D are automatically generated.
- If a major release or updates happen in the format, we will publish the I-D to the IETF⁹.
- \blacksquare The process is always MISP implementation \rightarrow IETF I-D updates.

⁸https://github.com/MISP/misp-rfc

⁹https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/search/?name=misp& activedrafts=on&rfcs=on

MISP CORE DEVELOPMENT CRASH COURSE

HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE PHP

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SOME THINGS TO KNOW IN ADVANCE...

- MISP is based on PHP 7.3+
- Using the MVC framework CakePHP 2.x
- What we'll look at now will be a quick glance at the structuring / layout of the code

MVC FRAMEWORKS IN GENERAL

- separation of business logic and views, interconnected by controllers
- main advantage is clear separation of the various components
- lean controllers, fat models (kinda...)
- domain based code reuse
- No interaction between Model and Views, ever

STRUCTURE OF MISP CORE APP DIRECTORIES

- Config: general configuration files
- Console: command line tools
- Controller: Code dealing with requests/responses, generating data for views based on interactions with the models
- Lib: Generic reusable code / libraries
- Model: Business logic, data gathering and modification
- Plugin: Alternative location for plugin specific codes, ordered into controller, model, view files
- View: UI views, populated by the controller

CONTROLLERS - SCOPE

- Each public function in a controller is exposed as an API action
- request routing (admin routing)
- multi-use functions (POST/GET)
- request/response objects
- contains the action code, telling the application what data fetching/modifying calls to make, preparing the resulting data for the resulting view
- grouped into controller files based on model actions
- Accessed via UI, API, AJAX calls directly by users
- For code reuse: behaviours
- Each controller bound to a model

CONTROLLERS - FUNCTIONALITIES OF CONTROLLERS

- pagination functionality
- logging functionality
- Controllers actions can access functionality / variables of Models
- Controllers cannot access code of other controller actions (kind of...)
- Access to the authenticated user's data
- beforeFilter(), afterFilter() methods
- Inherited code in AppController

CONTROLLERS - COMPONENTS

- Components = reusable code for Controllers
 - ► Authentication components
 - ► RestResponse component
 - ► ACL component
 - ► Cidr component
 - ► IOCImport component (should be moved)

CONTROLLERS - ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONALITIES

- Handling API responses (RestResponseComponent)
- Handling API requests (IndexFilterComponent)
- auth/session management
- ACL management
- CRUD Component
- Security component
- important: quertString/PyMISP versions, MISP version handler
- future improvements to the export mechanisms

MODELS - SCOPE

- Controls anything that has to do with:
 - ► finding subsets of data
 - altering existing data
 - ► inherited model: AppModel
 - reusable code for models: Behaviours
 - regex, trim

MODELS - HOOKING SYSTEM

- Versatile hooking system
 - manipulate the data at certain stages of execution
 - code can be located in 3 places: Model hook, AppModel hook, behaviour

MODEL - HOOKING PIPELINE (ADD/EDIT)

- Hooks / model pipeline for data creation / edits
 - beforeValidate() (lowercase all hashes)
 - validate() (check hash format)
 - ► afterValidate() (we never use it
 - could be interesting if we ever validated without saving)
 - beforeSave() (purge existing correlations for an attribute)
 - afterSave() (create new correlations for an attribute / zmq)

MODELS - HOOKING PIPELINE (DELETE/READ)

- Hooks for deletions
 - beforeDelete() (purge correlations for an attribute)
 - ► afterDelete() (zmq)
- Hooks for retrieving data
 - beforeFind() (modify the find parameters before execution, we don't use it)
 - afterFind() (json decode json fields)

Models - MISC

- code to handle version upgrades contained in AppModel
- generic cleanup/data migration tools
- centralised redis/pubsub handlers
- (Show example of adding an attribute with trace)

VIEWS - SCOPE AND STRUCTURE

- templates for views
- layouts
- reusable template code: elements
 - ► attribute list, rows (if reused)
- reusable code: helpers
 - commandhelper (for discussion boards), highlighter for searches, tag colour helper
- views per controller

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VIEWS - TYPES OF VIEWS AND HELPERS

- ajax views vs normal views
- data views vs normal views vs serialisation in the controller
- sanitisation h()
- creating forms
 - sanitisation
 - CSRF

VIEWS - GENERATORS

- Mostly in genericElements
- Preparing the move to Cake4
- Important ones
 - Form generate forms in a standardised way (/add, /edit, etc)
 - ► IndexTable index lists using Field templates (/index, etc)
 - ► SingleViews key-value lists with child elements (/view, etc)
 - Menues to be refactored, see Cerebrate

GENERAL REUSABLE LIBRARIES

- Located in app/Lib
- Code that is to be reused across several layers
- Important ones
 - Dashboard Dashboard widget backend code
 - EventReport Report generation
 - Export MISP -> external format converter modules
 - ► Tools List of generic helper libraries examples:
 - Attachment, JSON conversion, random generation, emailing, sync request generation
 - Kafka, ZMQ, AWS S3, Elastic integration, PGP encryption, CIDR operations

DISTRIBUTION

- algorithm for checking if a user has access to an attribute
- creator vs owner organisation
- distribution levels and inheritance (events -> objects -> attributes)
- shorthand inherit level
- sharing groups (org list, instance list)
- correlation distribution
- algorithms for safe data fetching (fetchEvents(), fetchAttributes(),...)

TESTING YOUR CODE

- funtional testing
- Github actions
- impact scope
 - view code changes: only impacts request type based views
 - controller code changes: Should only affect given action
 - model code changes: can have impact on entire application
 - lib changes: can have affect on the entire application
- Don't forget: queryACL, change querystring

DEEP-DIVE INTO PYMISP

MISP - THREAT SHARING

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CONTEXT

- MISP is a large project
- Your production environment is even more complex
- 3rd party services are even worse
- Querying MISP via CURL is doable, but get's painful fast
- Talking to MySQL directly can be dangerous
- POST a JSON blob, receive a JSON blob. You can do it manually(-ish)

BIG PICTURE

- Core goal: providing stable access to APIs, respect access control
- Simplifying handling & automation of indicators in 3rd party tools
- Hiding complexity of the JSON blobs
- Providing pre-cooked examples for commonly used operations
- Helping integration with existing infrastructure

COMMON QUERIES: RECENT CHANGES ON A TIMEFRAME

There are 4 main cases here:

- Metadata of the events that have been modified
 - **search_index** ⇒ timestamp (1h, 1d, 7d, ...), returns list of all the modified events
- Full events (metadata + attributes)
 - **search** \Rightarrow timestamp (1h, 1d, 7d, ...)
- Modified attributes
 - ► **search** ⇒ controller = attributes and timestamp (1h, 1d, 7d, ...)
- Other use case: get last **published** events by using the last parameter in the **search** method.

COMMON QUERIES: SEARCH THINGS

There are 3 main cases here:

- Easy, but slow: full text search with search_all
- Faster: use the **search** method and search by tag, type, enforce the warning lists, with(-out) attachments, dates interval, ...
- Get malware samples (if available on the instance).

COMMON QUERIES: CREATE THINGS

There are 3 main cases here:

- Add Event, edit its metadata
- Add attributes or objects to event
- (un)Tag event or attribute (soon object)
- Edit Attributes medatada
- Upload malware sample (and automatically expand it)

ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS

Assyming you have the right to do it on the instance.

- Managing users
- Managing organisations
- Managing sync servers

OTHER CAPABILITIES

- Upload/download samples
- Proposals: add, edit, accept, discard
- **Sightings**: Get, set, update
- **■** Export **statistics**
- Manage **feeds**
- Get MISP server version, recommended PyMISP version
- And more, look at the api file

MISPEVENT - USECASE

```
from pymisp import MISPEvent, EncodeUpdate
# Create a new event with default values
event = MISPEvent()
# Load an existing JSON dump (optional)
event.load_file('Path/to/event.json')
event.info = 'My cool event' # Duh.
# Add an attribute of type ip-dst
event.add_attribute('ip-dst', '8.8.8.8')
# Mark an attribute as deleted (From 2.4.60)
event.delete attribute('<Attribute UUID>')
# Dump as ison
event as isondump = ison.dumps(event, cls=EncodeUpdate)
```

BASICS

- Python 3.5+ is recommended
- PyMISP is always inline with current version (pip3 install pymisp)
- Dev version: pip3 install git+https://github.com/MISP/PyMISP.git
- Get your auth key from: https://misppriv.circl.lu/events/automation
 - Not available: you don't have "Auth key access" role. Contact your instance admin.
- Source available here: git clone https://github.com/MISP/PyMISP.git

EXAMPLES

- **PyMISP needs to be installed (duh)**
- Usage:
 - Create examples/keys.py with the following content

```
misp_url = "https://url-to-your-misp"
misp_key = "<API_KEY>"
misp_verifycert = True
```

Proxy support:

EXAMPLES

- Lots of ideas on how to use the API
- You may also want to look at the tests directory
- All the examples use argparse. Help usage is available: script.py -h
 - add_file_object.py: Attach a file (PE/ELF/Mach-O) object to an event
 - upload.py: Upload a malware sample (use advanced expansion is available on the server)
 - last.py: Returns all the most recent events (on a timeframe)
 - ▶ add_named_attribute.py: Add attribute to an event
 - sighting.py: Update sightings on an attribute
 - **stats.py**: Returns the stats of a MISP instance
 - ► {add,edit,create}_user.py : Add, Edit, Create a user on MISP

USAGE

■ Basic example

CONCEPT BEHIND ABSTRACTMISP

- JSON blobs are python dictionaries
- ... Accessing content can be a pain
- AbstractMISP inherits collections.MutableMapping, they are all dictionaries!
- ... Has helpers to load, dump, and edit JSON blobs
- Important: All the public attributes (not starting with a _) defined in a class are dumped to JSON
- Tags: Events and Attributes have tags, soon Objects. Tag handling is defined in this class.
- edited: When pushing a full MISPEvent, only the objects without a timestamp, or with a newer timestamp will be updated. This method recursively finds updated events, and removes the timestamp key from the object.

- **Pythonic** representation of MISP elements
- **Easy manipulation**
 - ► Load an existing event
 - ► Update te metadata, add attributes, objects, tags, mark an attribute as deleted, ...
 - Set relations between objects
 - Load and add attachments or malware samples as pseudo files
- Dump to JSON

MISPEVENT - MAIN ENTRYPOINTS

- load_file(event_path)
- load(json_event)
- add_attribute(type, value, **kwargs)
- add_object(obj=None, **kwargs)
- add_attribute_tag(tag, attribute_identifier)
- get_attribute_tag(attribute_identifier)
- add_tag(tag=None, **kwargs)
- objects[], attributes[], tags[]
- edited, all other paramaters of the MISPEvent element (info, date, ...)
- to_json()

MISPOBJECT - MAIN ENTRYPOINTS

- add_attribute(object_relation, **value)
- add_reference(referenced_uuid, relationship_type, comment=None, **kwargs)
- has_attributes_by_relation(list_of_relations)
- get_attributes_by_relation(object_relation)
- attributes[], relations[]
- edited, all other paramaters of the MISPObject element (name, comment, ...)
- to_json()
- Can be validated against their template
- Can have default parameters applied to all attributes (i.e. distribution, category, ...)

MISPATTRIBUTE - MAIN ENTRYPOINTS

- add_tag(tag=None, **kwargs)
- delete()
- malware_binary (if relevant)
- tags[]
- edited, all other paramaters of the MISPObject element (value, comment, ...)
- to_json()

PYMISP - Tools

- Libraries requiring specfic 3rd party dependencies
- Callable via PyMISP for specific usecases
- Curently implemented:
 - ► **OpenIOC** to MISP Event
 - ► MISP to **Neo4J**

PYMISP - DEFAULT OBJECTS GENERATORS

- File PE/ELF/MachO Sections
- VirusTotal
- Generic object generator

PYMISP - LOGGING / DEBUGGING

- debug=True passed to the constructor enable debug to stdout
- Configurable using the standard logging module
- Show everything send to the server and received by the client

Q&A



- https://github.com/MISP/PyMISP
- https://github.com/MISP/
- https://pymisp.readthedocs.io/
- We welcome new functionalities and pull requests.

MISP FEEDS - A SIMPLE AND SECURE APPROACH TO GENERATE, SELECT AND COLLECT INTELLIGENCE

PROVIDING READY-TO-USE THREAT INTELLIGENCE IN

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MISP FEED - BASICS

MISP Feeds provide a way to

- **Exchange information via any transports** (e.g. HTTP, TLS, USB keys)
- Preview events along with their attributes, objects
- Select and import events
- **■** Correlate attributes using caching

MISP Feeds have the following advantages

- Feeds work without the need of MISP synchronisation (reducing attack surface and complexity to a static directory with the events)
- Feeds can be produced without a MISP instance (e.g. security devices, honeypot sensors)

FEED - OVERVIEW

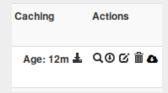
- By default, MISP is bundled with ~50 default feeds (MISP feeds, CSV or freetext feeds) which are not enabled by default and described in a simple JSON file¹.
- The feeds include CIRCL OSINT feed but also feeds like abuse.ch, Tor exit nodes or many more ²



https://github.com/MISP/MISP/blob/2.4/app/files/feed-metadata/
defaults.json

²http://www.misp-project.org/feeds/

FEED - OPERATIONS



- Cache feed attributes for correlation (not imported but visible in MISP)
- Disable feed
- Explore remote events
- Fetch all events (imported in MISP as event)
- Edit the feed configuration (e.g. authentication, URL,...)
- Remove feed
- Download feed metadata (to share feed details)

FEED - CREATION USING PYMISP feed generator

feed generator fetches events (matching some filtering) from a MISP instance and construct the manifest (defined in MISP core format) needed to export data.

Particularly,

- Used to generate the CIRCL OSINT feed
- Export events as json based on tags, organisation, events, ...
- Automatically update the dumps and the metadata file
- Comparable to a lighweight **TAXII interface**

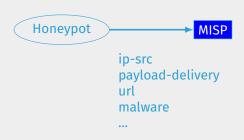
Feed generator - CONFIGURATION FILE

```
url = 'your/misp/url'
key = 'YourAPIKey'
3 ssl = True
4 outputdir = 'output_directory'
5
 |filters = {
      'tag': 'tlp:white|feed-export|!privint'.
      'org':'CIRCL'
<sub>10</sub> # the above would generate a feed for all events created by CIRCL,
       tagged tlp:white and/or feed-export but exclude anything
      tagged privint
11
valid_attribute_distribution_levels = ['0', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5
# 0: Your Organisation Only
14 # 4: Sharing Group
15 # 5: Inherit Event
16
```

Real-time FEED GENERATOR - PURPOSE

The PyMISP feed generator is great but may be inadequate or ineficient:

- Batch import of attributes/objects
- Data producer doesn't have a MISP instance at hand and only wants to produce a directly consumable feed:



Real-time FEED GENERATOR - USAGE

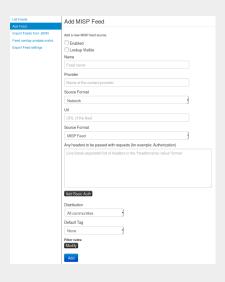
- generator.py exposes a class allowing to generate a MISP feed in real-time
- Each items can be appended on daily generated events

Example:

Real-time FEED GENERATOR - USAGE (2)

```
# Adding a MISP object (cowrie) to the daily event
obj_name = "cowrie"
obj_data = {
    "session": "session_id",
    "username": "admin",
    "password": "admin",
    "protocol": "telnet"
    }
generator.add_object_to_event(obj_name, **obj_data)
```

ADDING CUSTOM FEED TO MISP



- Fnabled
- Lookup visible
- Name
- Provider
- Source Format
- Url
- Source Format
- Headers
- Distribution
- Default Tag
- Filter rules

Q&A



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MISP WORKSHOP

Introduction into Information Sharing using

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PLAN FOR THIS SESSION

- Explanation of the CSIRT use case for information sharing and what CIRCL does
- Building an information sharing community and best practices¹

¹We published the complete guidelines in https://www.x-isac.org/assets/images/guidelines_to_set-up_an_ISAC.pdf

- As a CSIRT, CIRCL operates a wide range of communities
- We use it as an internal tool to cover various day-to-day activities
- Whilst being the main driving force behind the development, we're also one of the largest consumers
- Different communities have different needs and restrictions

- Private sector community
 - Our largest sharing community
 - ► Over **1250 organisations**
 - ▶ 3600 users
 - Functions as a central hub for a lot of sharing communities
 - Private organisations, Researchers, Various SoCs, some CSIRTs, etc
- CSIRT community
 - ► Tighter community
 - National CSIRTs, connections to international organisations, etc

- Financial sector community
 - ► Banks, payment processors, etc.
 - ► Sharing of mule accounts and non-cyber threat infomartion
- X-ISAC²
 - Bridging the gap between the various sectorial and geographical ISACs
 - ► New, but ambitious initiative
 - Goal is to bootstrap the cross-sectorial sharing along with building the infrastructure to enable sharing when needed

- the ATT&CK EU community³
 - Work on attacker modelling
 - ► With the assistance of MITRE themselves
 - Unique opportunity to standardise on TTPs
 - Looking for organisations that want to get involved!

³https://www.attack-community.org/

COMMUNITIES SUPPORTED BY CIRCL

- ISAC / specialised community MISPs
 - Topical or community specific instances hosted or co-managed by CIRCL
 - Examples, GSMA, FIRST.org, CSIRT network, etc
 - Often come with their own taxonomies and domain specific object definitions
- FIRST.org's MISP community
- Telecom and Mobile operators' community
- Various ad-hoc communities for exercises for example
 - ► The ENISA exercise for example
 - ► Locked Shields exercise

SHARING SCENARIOS IN MISP

- Sharing can happen for **many different reasons**. Let's see what we believe are the typical CSIRT scenarios
- We can generally split these activities into 4 main groups when we're talking about traditional CSIRT tasks:
 - Core services
 - Proactive services
 - Advanced services
 - Sharing communities managed by CSIRTs for various tasks

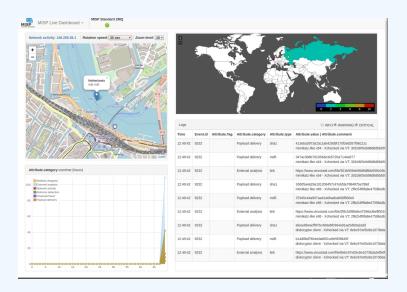
CSIRT CORE SERVICES

- Incident response
 - ► Internal storage of incident response data
 - ► Sharing of indicators derived from incident response
 - Correlating data derived and using the built in analysis tools
 - ► Enrichment services
 - Collaboration with affected parties via MISP during IR
 - ► Co-ordination and collaboration
 - ► **Takedown** requests
- Alerting of information leaks (integration with AlL⁴)

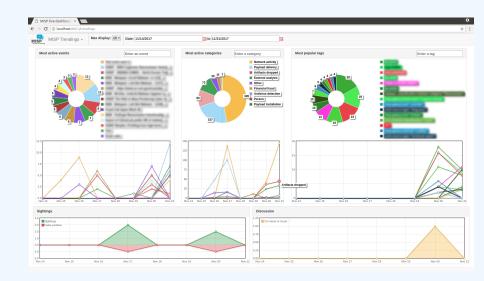
CSIRT PROACTIVE SERVICES

- Contextualising both internal and external data
- **Collection** and **dissimination** of data from various sources (including OSINT)
- Storing, correlating and sharing own manual research (reversing, behavioural analysis)
- Aggregating automated collection (sandboxing, honeypots, spamtraps, sensors)
 - ► MISP allows for the creation of internal MISP "clouds"
 - Store large specialised datasets (for example honeypot data)
 - ► MISP has **interactions with** a large set of such **tools** (Cuckoo, Mail2MISP, etc)
- **Situational awareness** tools to monitor trends and adversary TTPs within my sector/geographical region (MISP-dashboard, built in statistics)

CSIRT PROACTIVE SERVICES - MISP DASHBOARD



CSIRT PROACTIVE SERVICES - MISP DASHBOARD



CSIRT ADVANCED SERVICES

- Supporting forensic analysts
- Collaboration with law enforcement
- Vulnerability information sharing
 - Notifications to the constituency about relevant vulnerabilities
 - ► Co-ordinating with vendors for notifications (*)
 - ► Internal / closed community sharing of pentest results
 - We're planning on starting a series of hackathons to find

CSIRTS' MANAGEMENT OF SHARING COMMUNITIES FOR CONSTITUENT ACTIONS:

- **Reporting** non-identifying information about incidents (such as outlined in NISD)
- **Seeking** and engaging in **collaboration** with CSIRT or other parties during an incident
- Pre-sharing information to request for help / additional information from the community
- Pseudo-anonymised sharing through 3rd parties to avoid attribution of a potential target
- Building processes for other types of sharing to get the community engaged and acquainted with the methodologies of sharing (mule account information, border control, etc)

A QUICK NOTE ON COMPLIANCE...

- Collaboration with Deloitte as part of a CEF project for creating compliance documents
 - ► Information sharing and cooperation enabled by GDPR
 - How MISP enables stakeholders identified by the NISD to perform key activities
 - ► AIL and MISP
- For more information: https://github.com/CIRCL/compliance

- We generally all **end up sharing with peers that face similar threats**
- Division is either sectorial or geographical
- So why even bother with trying to bridge these communities?

ADVANTAGES OF CROSS SECTORIAL SHARING

- Reuse of TTPs across sectors
- Being hit by something that another sector has faced before
- **Hybrid threats** how seemingly unrelated things may be interesting to correlate
- Prepare other communities for the capability and culture of sharing for when the need arises for them to reach out to CSIRT
- Generally our field is ahead of several other sectors when it comes to information sharing, might as well spread the love



GETTING STARTED WITH BUILDING YOUR OWN SHARING COMMUNITY

- Starting a sharing community is both easy and difficult at the same time
- Many moving parts and most importantly, you'll be dealing with a diverse group of people
- Understanding and working with your constituents to help them face their challenges is key

GETTING STARTED WITH BUILDING YOUR OWN SHARING COMMUNITY

■ When you are starting out - you are in a unique position to drive the community and set best practices...



RUNNING A SHARING COMMUNITY USING MISP - HOW TO GET GOING?

- Different models for constituents
 - ► Connecting to a MISP instance hosted by a CSIRT
 - ► **Hosting** their own instance and connecting to CSIRT's MISP
 - ► **Becoming member** of a sectorial MISP community that is connected to CSIRT's community
- Planning ahead for future growth
 - ► Estimating requirements
 - Deciding early on common vocabularies
 - ► Offering services through MISP

RELY ON OUR INSTINCTS TO IMMITATE OVER EXPECTING ADHERENCE TO RULES

- Lead by example the power of immitation
- Encourage improving by doing instead of blocking sharing with unrealistic quality controls
 - ► What should the information look like?
 - How should it be contextualise
 - ► What do you consider as useful information?
 - ► What tools did you use to get your conclusions?
- Side effect is that you will end up raising the capabilities of your constituents

WHAT COUNTS AS VALUABLE DATA?

- Sharing comes in many shapes and sizes
 - ► Sharing results / reports is the classical example
 - Sharing enhancements to existing data
 - ► Validating data / flagging false positives
 - Asking for support from the community
- Embrace all of them. Even the ones that don't make sense right now, you never know when they come handy...

HOW TO DEAL WITH ORGANISATIONS THAT ONLY "LEECH"?

- From our own communities, only about **30%** of the organisations **actively share data**
- We have come across some communities with sharing requirements
- In our experience, this sets you up for failure because:
 - Organisations losing access are the ones who would possibily benefit the most from it
 - Organisations that want to stay above the thresholds will start sharing junk / fake data
 - You lose organisations that might turn into valuable contributors in the future

SO HOW DOES ONE CONVERT THE PASSIVE ORGANISATIONS INTO ACTIVELY SHARING ONES?

- Rely on organic growth
- **Help** them increase their capabilities
- As mentioned before, lead by example
- Rely on the inherent value to one's self when sharing information (validation, enrichments, correlations)
- **Give credit** where credit is due, never steal the contributions of your community (that is incredibly demotivating)

DISPELLING THE MYTHS AROUND BLOCKERS WHEN IT COMES TO INFORMATION SHARING

- Sharing difficulties are not really technical issues but often it's a matter of **social interactions** (e.g. **trust**).
 - You can play a role here: organise regular workshops, conferences, have face to face meetings
- Legal restrictions
 - ► "Our legal framework doesn't allow us to share information."
 - "Risk of information leak is too high and it's too risky for our organization or partners."
- Practical restrictions
 - ► "We don't have information to share."
 - "We don't have time to process or contribute indicators."
 - "Our model of classification doesn't fit your model."
 - "Tools for sharing information are tied to a specific format, we use a different one."

CONTEXTUALISING THE INFORMATION

- Sharing technical information is a great start
- However, to truly create valueable information for your community, always consider the context:
 - Your IDS might not care why it should alert on a rule
 - But your analysts will be interested in the threat landscape and the "big picture"
- Classify data to make sure your partners understand why it is important for you, so they can see why it could be useful to them
- Massively important once an organisation has the maturity to filter the most critical subsets of information for their own defense

CHOICE OF VOCABULARIES

- MISP has a verify **versatile system** (taxonomies) for classifying and marking data
- However, this includes different vocabularies with obvious overlaps
- MISP allows you to pick and choose vocabularies to use and enforce in a community
- Good idea to start with this process early
- If you don't find what you're looking for:
 - Create your own (JSON format, no coding skills required)
 - If it makes sense, share it with us via a pull request for redistribution

SHARED LIBRARIES OF META-INFORMATION (GALAXIES)

- The MISPProject in co-operation with partners provides a **curated list of galaxy information**
- Can include information packages of different types, for example:
 - ► Threat actor information
 - Specialised information such as Ransomware, Exploit kits, etc
 - Methodology information such as preventative actions
 - Classification systems for methodologies used by adversaries
 ATT&CK
- Consider improving the default libraries or contributing your own (simple JSON format)
- If there is something you cannot share, run your own galaxies and **share it out of bound** with partners
- Pull requests are always welcome

FALSE-POSITIVE HANDLING

- You might often fall into the trap of discarding seemingly "junk" data
- Besides volume limitations (which are absolutely valid, fear of false-positives is the most common reason why people discard data) - Our recommendation:
 - Be lenient when considering what to keep
 - ► Be strict when you are feeding tools
- MISP allows you to **filter out the relevant data on demand** when feeding protective tools
- What may seem like junk to you may be absolutely critical to other users

MANY OBJECTIVES FROM DIFFERENT USER-GROUPS

- Sharing indicators for a **detection** matter.
 - 'Do I have infected systems in my infrastructure or the ones I operate?'
- Sharing indicators to **block**.
 - ► 'I use these attributes to block, sinkhole or divert traffic.'
- Sharing indicators to **perform intelligence**.
 - ► 'Gathering information about campaigns and attacks. Are they related? Who is targeting me? Who are the adversaries?'
- lacktriangleright These objectives can be conflicting (e.g. False-positives have different impacts)

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- Analysts will often be interested in the modus operandi of threat actors over long periods of time
- Even cleaned up infected hosts might become interesting again (embedded in code, recurring reuse)
- Use the tools provided to eliminate obvious false positives instead and limit your data-set to the most relevant sets

Warning: Potential false positives

List of known IPv4 public DNS resolvers

MANAGING SUB-COMMUNITIES

- Often within a community smaller bubbles of information sharing will form
- For example: Within a national private sector sharing community, specific community for financial institutions
- Sharing groups serve this purpose mainly
- As a CSIRT running a national community, consider bootstraping these sharing communities
- Organisations can of course self-organise, but you are the ones with the know-how to get them started

MANAGING SUB-COMMUNITIES

- Consider compartmentalisation does it make sense to move a secret squirrel club to their own sharing hub to avoid accidental leaks?
- Use your **best judgement** to decide which communities should be separated from one another
- Create sharing hubs with manual data transfer if needed
- Some organisations will even have their data air-gapped -Feed system
- Create guidance on what should be shared outside of their bubbles - organisations often lack the insight / experience to decide how to get going. Take the initiative!

GET IN TOUCH IF YOU NEED SOME HELP TO GET STARTED

- Getting started with building a new community can be daunting. Feel free to get in touch with us if you have any questions!
- Contact: info@circl.lu
- https://www.circl.lu/
- https://github.com/MISP
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MISP and Decaying of Indicators

AN INDICATOR SCORING METHOD AND ONGOING IMPLE-

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SIGHTINGS - REFRESHER

Sightings add temporal context to indicators. A user, script or an IDS can extend the information related to indicators by reporting back to MISP that an indicator has been seen, or that an indicator can be considered as a false-positive

- Sightings give more credibility/visibility to indicators
- This information can be used to **prioritise and decay** indicators

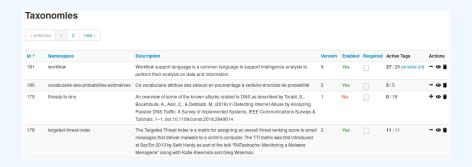


ORGANISATIONS OPT-IN - SETTING A LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE

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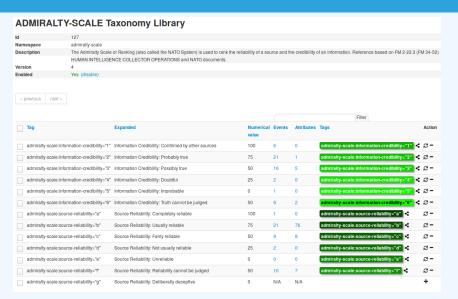
- **Producers can add context** (such as tags from *Taxonomies*, *Galaxies*) about their asserted confidence or the reliability of the data
- Consumers can have **different levels of trust** in the producers and/or analysts themselves
- Users might have other contextual needs
 - → Achieved thanks to *Taxonomies*

TAXONOMIES - REFRESHER (1)



- Tagging is a simple way to attach a classification to an *Event* or an *Attribute*
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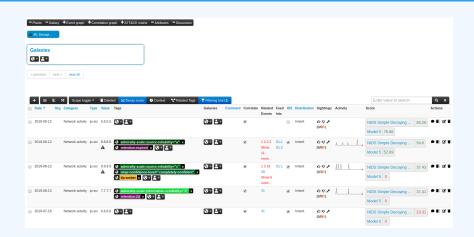
Scoring Indicators: Our solution

Where,

- $score \in [0, +\infty]$
- base_score \in [0,100]
- decay is a function defined by model's parameters controlling decay speed
- Attribute Contains Attribute's values and metadata (Taxonomies, Galaxies, ...)
- Model Contains the Model's configuration

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IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: PLAYING WITH MODELS

- Automatic scoring based on default values
- **User-friendly UI** to manually set *Model* configuration (lifetime, decay, etc.)
- **Simulation** tool
- Interaction through the API
- Opportunity to create your own formula or algorithm

DECAYING MODELS IN DEPTH

Scoring Indicators: base_score (1)

When scoring indicators¹, multiple parameters² can be taken into account. The **base score** is calculated with the following in mind:

- Data reliability, credibility, analyst skills, custom prioritisation tags (economical-impact), etc.
- Trust in the source

$$base_score = \omega_{tg} \cdot tags + \omega_{sc} \cdot source_confidence$$

Where,

$$\omega_{sc} + \omega_{tg} = \mathbf{1}$$

¹Paper available: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1803.11052

²at a variable extent as required

Scoring Indicators: base_score (2)

Current implentation ignores source_confidence:

$$\rightarrow$$
 base_score = tags

	Computation			
Tag	Eff. Ratio		numerical_value	Result
admiralty-scale:source-reliability="Completely reliable"	0.50	*	100.00	50.00
phishing:psychological-acceptability="high"	0.50	*	75.00	37.50
				87.50

ightarrow The base_score can be use to prioritize attribute based on their attached context and source

SCORING INDICATORS: DECAY SPEED (1)

$$\texttt{score}(\texttt{Attribute}) = \texttt{base_score}(\texttt{Attribute}, \, \texttt{Model}) \quad \bullet \quad \texttt{decay}(\texttt{Model}, \, \texttt{time})$$

The decay is calculated using:

- The lifetime of the indicator
 - ► May vary depending on the indicator type
 - short for an IP, long for an hash
- The decay rate, or speed at which an attribute loses score over time
- The time elapsed since the latest update or sighting

SCORING INDICATORS: PUTTING IT ALL TOGHETHER

 \rightarrow decay rate is **re-initialized upon sighting** addition, or said differently, the score is reset to its base score as new *sightings* are applied.

$$score = base_score \cdot \left(1 - \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^{\frac{1}{\delta}}\right)$$

- \mathbf{I} $\tau =$ lifetime
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IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: MODELS DEFINITION

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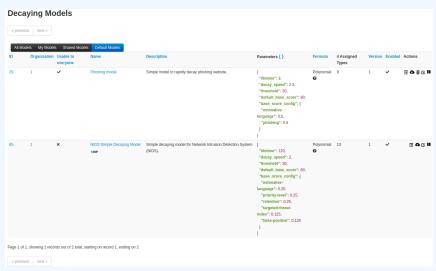
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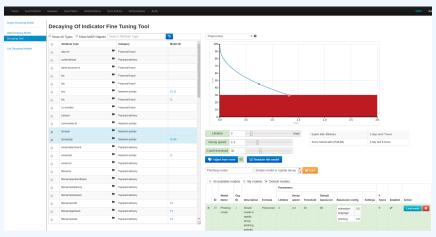
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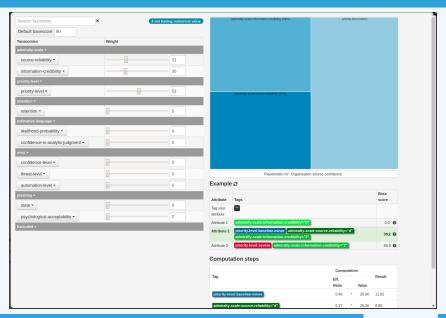
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CREATING A NEW DECAY ALGORITHM (1)

The current architecture allows users to create their **own** formulae.

- Create a new file \$filename in app/Model/DecayingModelsFormulas/
- 2. Extend the Base class as defined in DecayingModelBase
- Implement the two mandatory functions computeScore and isDecayed using your own formula/algorithm
- 4. Create a Model and set the formula field to \$filename Use cases:
 - Add support for **more feature** (expiration taxonomy)
 - Query external services then influence the score
 - Completely **different approach** (i.e streaming algorithm)
 - **...**

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- For specific type, take into account data from other services
 - Could fetch data from BGP ranking, Virus Total, Passive X for IP/domain/... and adapt the score

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PRIMER FOR INDICATOR SCORING IN MISP

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OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION

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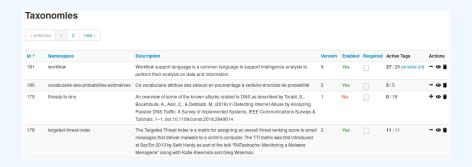


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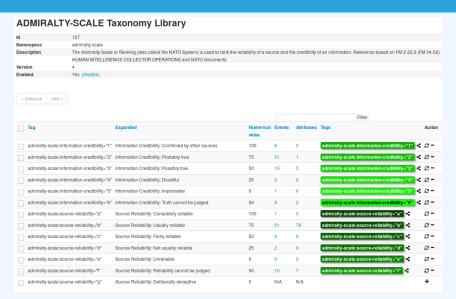
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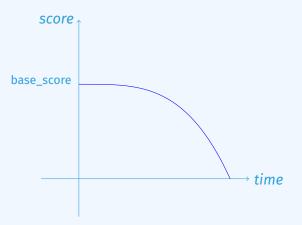
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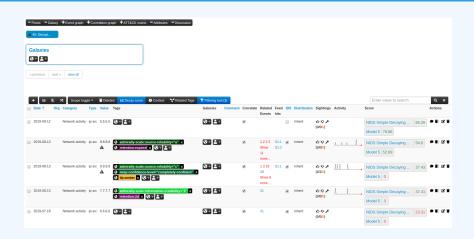
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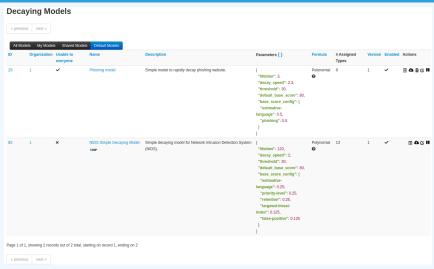
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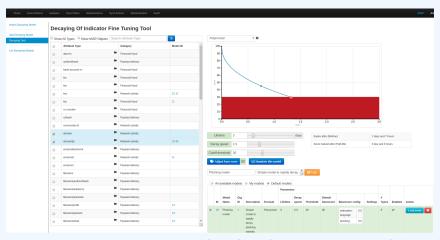
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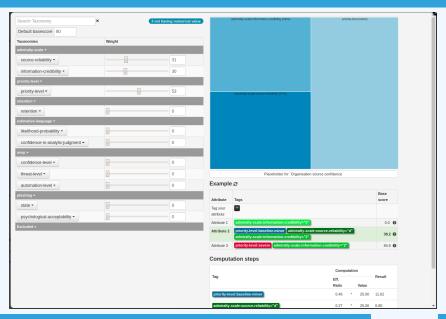
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FORENSIC SUPPORT IN MISP

TOOLS AND VISUALIZATION TO SUPPORT DIGITAL

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DFIR AND MISP DIGITAL EVIDENCES

- Share analyses and reports of digital forensic evidences.
- **Propose changes** to existing analyses or reports.
- Extending existing events with additional evidences for local or use in limited distribution sharing (sharing can be defined at event level or attribute level).
- Evaluate correlations¹ of evidences against external or local attributes.
- **Report sightings** such as false-positive or true-positive (e.g. a partner/analyst has seen a similar indicator).

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¹MISP has a flexible correlation engine which can correlate on 1-to-1 value matches, but also on fuzzy hashing (e.g. ssdeep) or CIDR block matching.

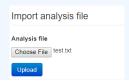
BENEFITS OF USING MISP

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- **Bridging LE communities with other communities.** Sharing groups can be created (and managed) cross-sectors to support specific use-cases.
- The MISP standard is a flexible format which can be extended by users using the MISP platform. A MISP object template can be created in under 30 minutes, allowing users to rapidly share information using their own data-models with existing communities.

CHALLENGES AND IMPLEMENTATIONS

- Standard sharing mechanism for forensic cases
 - MISP allows for the efficient collaborative analysis of digital evidences
 - Correlation on certain attributes
- Importing disk images and file system data activity (Mactime)
 - Development of an adaptable import tool: From Mactime to MISP Mactime object
- Create, modify and visualise the timeline of events
 - Development of a flexible timeline system at the event level

FORENSIC IMPORT (MISP 2.4.98)



Create Objects

Select text for further analysis					
Select	Filepath	File Size	Activity Type	Time Accessed	Permissions
	c.r/rrwxrwxrwx	Xxx			00
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4	/DCIM/11106/_MG_0125.JPG(deleted)	3541836	Created,Modified	Sun Jun 02 2013 15:42:32	r/rrwxrwxrwx
v	/DCIM/11106/IMG_0126.JPG	2255115	Created,Modified	Sun Jun 02 2013 15:42:46	r/rrwxrwxrwx
	/DCIM/CANONMSC/M0111.CTG	884	Created,Modified	Sun Jun 02 2013 15:44:08	r/rrwxrwxrwx
a	/CANON_DC(Volume	0	Modified	Sun Jun 02 2013 16:33:04	r/rrwxrwxrwx

- Possibility to import Mactime files [done]
- Pick only relevant files [done]

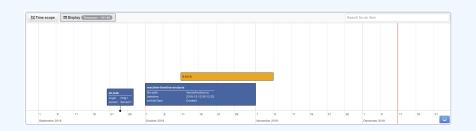
/DCIM/111 06/IMG 0126.JPG

■ MISPObject will be created [done]

Sat Feb 06 2016 00:00:00

r/rrwxrwxrwx

DATA VISUALIZATION (MISP ZOIDBERG BRANCH)



- View: start-date only, spanning and search [dev-branch]
- Manipulate: Edit, Drag and Expand [dev-branch]
- Others: Timezone support [dev-branch]
- \rightarrow For now [dev-branch], supports up to **micro-seconds** in the database and up to **milliseconds** in the web interface.

MISP RESTSEARCH API

An easy way to query, add and update your threat

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MISP API REWORKED

- The MISP API has grown gradually with a UI first design in many cases
- Endpoints all solved specific issues with their own rulesets
- Growth was organic whenever the need to add a new functionality / filter popped up we've added it
- Lead to frankenmonsters such as this:

http://localhost:5000/events/csv/download/false/false/tag1&&tag2&&tag3/Network%20activity/domain

GOALS WE'VE SET FOR OURSELVES

- Open up every functionality in MISP available via the UI to the API
- Including ones related to instance management
- APIs that expect input objects for data creation should be self-describing
- **URL parameters should be discouraged**, but still usable by legacy tools (deprecation)
- APIs should be heavily **tested** (Raphael Vinot's exhaustive test suite in PyMISP)
- Largest focus on Export APIs

EXPORT API'S REIMAGINED

- Scrapped all existing type specific APIs (deprecated, documentation moved to legacy, still available)
- Single entry point all export APIs baked into restSearch
- Queries consist of a combination of:
 - **Scope** (Event, Attribute, Sighting, more coming in the future)
 - ► **Filter parameters** passed via JSON objects, url parameters (key value or ordered list)
 - ► A return format
- Everything that we could do before the rework we should be able to accomplish after the rework
- Under the hood now also used by the UI search and exports

EXPORT API'S REIMAGINED

- One of our largest issues solved: pagination
 - ► **Scope specific** pagination (number of events, attributes, etc)
 - Simply control it via the framework friendly page / limit parameters
 - Alternatively, use the improved time based controls (timestamp, publish_timestamp windows)

PERFORMANCE TUNING

- Single execution with subqueries
- Internal pagination aligned with memory limits
 - Probing of available memory for the current process
 - Chunking of the query results to fit in object specific memory envelopes
 - Constructing export set on disk in chunks has slashed memory usage considerably

DESIGNING TOOLS THAT USE THE APIS CAN BE COM-PLEX, BUT THERE'S HELP

- The result of our own frustration
- Built in **ReST client** with templating
- Extensive query builder UI by Sami Mokaddem
- Build queries in a simple interface, automatically set URLs, headers, etc
- Uses the self documentation of APIs
- Export your queries as cURL or Python scripts
- Built in testing tools (performance measurements, result parsers)
- Store queries for reuse and download the results directly

Why is the search API receiving so much focus?

- The **maturity** of the communities and threat intel sharing at large has improved
- We are sharing more
- Most importantly: we are sharing more context along with technical indicators
- This allows us to **manage our data more accuractely** before feeding them to our protective tools
- Different contexts (APT targeting me? Persisting techniques?)
 lifecycle management
- Use several queries / boolean operators to select the slice of data most relevant for the task

CLI TOOLS FOR THE CLI GOD, AUTOMATION FOR THE AUTOMATION THRONE

- Open up commonly used system management tasks to the CLI
 - sync servers/feeds
 - caching feeds
 - Password resets
 - Server settings
 - Bruteforce protection resets
 - ► Enrichment
 - ► Worker management
- Goal was also to move away from the often malfunctioning scheduler and have cron friendly CLI scripts

SO WHAT DOES ALL OF THIS LOOK LIKE IN PRACTICE?

Demo time!

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

- Add export modules to the restSearch API
- Improve the query language to support some missing features (such as AND boolean operators)
- Support for extended events via the restSearch API
 - We're missing a framing structure in the export module system (how are a list of conversions encapsulated and delimited?)
 - ► Proof of concept of the system implemented by Christian Studer already works using the STIX / STIX2 export subsystems
 - ► Would open us up to simple customiseable search APIs
- Open up search APIs to other scopes (objects, users, organisations, proposals, feeds, galaxies, taxonomies)

BEST PRACTICES IN THREAT INTELLI-GENCE

GATHER, DOCUMENT, ANALYSE AND CONTEXTUALISE IN-

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OBJECTIVES

- Learn how to use MISP to support common OSINT gathering use-cases often used by SOC, CSIRTs and CERTs
 - ► Use practical exercise examples¹
 - ► The exercises are based on practical recent cases to model and structure intelligence using the MISP standard
- Improve the data models available in MISP by exchanging live improvements and ideas
- Be able to share the results to the community at the end of this session

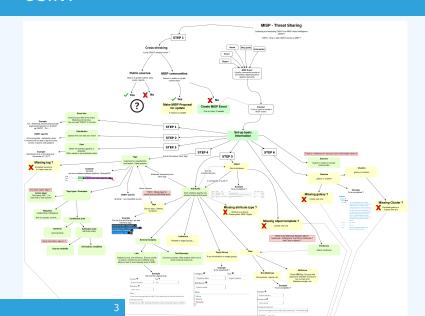
¹https:

^{//}gist.github.com/adulau/8c1de48060e259799d3397b83b0eec4f

(THREAT) INTELLIGENCE

- Cyber threat intelligence (CTI) is a vast concept which includes different concepts, methods, and workflows
 - ► Intelligence is defined differently in the military than in the financial sector than in the intelligence community
- MISP project doesn't want to lock an organisation or a user into a specific model. Each model is useful depending on the objectives of an organisation
- A set of pre-defined knowledge base or data-models are available and organisations can select (or create) what they need
- During this session, an overview of the most used taxonomies, galaxies, and objects will be described

OVERALL PROCESS OF COLLECTING AND ANALYSING OSINT



META INFORMATION AND CONTEXTUALISATION 1/2

- Quality of indicators/attributes are important but tagging and classification are also critical to ensure actionable information
- Organizing intelligence is done in MISP by using tags, which often originate from MISP taxonomy libraries
- The scope can be classification (tlp, PAP), type (osint, type, veris), state (workflow), collaboration (collaborative-intelligence), or many other fields
- MISP taxonomy documentation is readily available²
- Review existing practices of tagging in your sharing community, reuse practices, and improve context

²https://www.misp-project.org/taxonomies.html

META INFORMATION AND CONTEXTUALISATION 2/2

- When information cannot be expressed in triple tags format (namespace:predicate=value), MISP use Galaxies
- **Galaxies** contain a huge set of common libraries³ such as threat actors, malicious tools, tactics, target information, mitigations, and more
- When tagging or adding a Galaxy cluster, tagging at the event level is for the whole event (including attributes and objects). Tagging at the attribute level is for a more specific context

³https://www.misp-project.org/galaxy.html

ESTIMATIVE PROBABILITY

- Words of Estimative Probability⁴ propose clear wording while estimating probability of occurence from an event
- A MISP taxonomy called **estimative-language**⁵ proposes an applied model to tag information in accordance with the concepts of Estimative Probability

⁴https:

^{//}www.cia.gov/library/center-for-the-study-of-intelligence/
csi-publications/books-and-monographs/
sherman-kent-and-the-board-of-national-estimates-collected-essa
6words.html

⁵https://www.misp-project.org/taxonomies.html

RELIABILITY, CREDIBILITY, AND CONFIDENCE

- The Admiralty Scale⁶ (also called the NATO System) is used to rank the reliability of a source and the credibility of information
- A MISP taxonomy called admiralty-scale⁷ is available
- US DoD **JP 2-o, Joint Intelligence**⁸ includes an appendix to express confidence in analytic judgments
- A MISP predicate in estimative-language called confidence-in-analytic-judgment⁹ is available

ADDING ATTRIBUTES/OBJECTS TO AN EVENT

- If the information is a **single atomic element**, using a single attribute is preferred
 - Choosing an attribute type is critical as this defines the automation/export rule (e.g. url versus link or ip-src/ip-dst?)
 - ► Enabling the IDS (automation) flag is also important, but when you are in doubt, don't set the IDS flag
- If the information is **composite** (ip/port, filename/hash, bank account/BIC), using an object is strongly recommended

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HOW TO SELECT THE RIGHT OBJECT?

There are more than 150 MISP object¹⁰ templates. As an example, at CIRCL, we regularly use the following object templates file, microblog, domain-ip, ip-port, coin-address, virustotal-report, paste, person, ail-leak, pe, pe-section, registry-key.

¹⁰https://www.misp-project.org/objects.html

MICROBLOG OBJECT

Use case

A series of OSINT tweets from a security researcher. To structure the thread, the information, and keep a history.



Object to use

The microblog object can be used for Tweets or any microblog post (e.g. Facebook). The object can be linked using followed-by to describe a series of post.



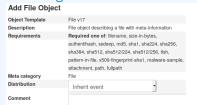
FILE OBJECT

Use case

- A file sample was received by email or extracted from VirusTotal
- A list of file hashes were included in a report
- A hash value was mentioned in a blog post

Object to use

The file object can be used to describe file. It's usual to have partial meta information such as a single hash and a filename.



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MISP CORE DEVELOPMENT HANDS-ON EXERCISE

BUILDING A SMALL NIFTY FEATURE FOR THE MISP CORE

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SOME PRACTICAL THINGS FIRST...

- If you'd like to take a peak at the main files already implemented: https://github.com/iglocska/misp-dev-training-cheat-sheet
- Full implementation: https://github.com/MISP/MISP/tree/dev_session/app

LET'S TRY TO DEVELOP A FEATURE TOGETHER

- Idea: Users should have the option to set alert filters for the publish alert e-mails
- By default receive all alerts as before
- If a filter is set, check if the alert is interesting for us or not

HOW TO ENSURE THAT THE FEATURE IS USEFUL FOR THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE?

- Always try to think in reusable systems instead of fixing a single issue
 - Much higher chance of getting a PR merged if it doesn't just cover your specific use-case
 - Try to stay two steps ahead, see how your feature can be reused for other tasks

USER SETTINGS - A LONG OVERDUE FEATURE

- Allow users to set preferences for certain views
- For high level users, all the technical details are sometimes wasted
- Simply not being interested in certain types of data points
- Non-standard MISP deployments (island only MISP instances, etc)
- User pre-sets for certain settings

OBJECTIVES OF THE FEATURE

- User should be able to do the following with filter rules:
 - set
 - get
 - remove
 - ▶ index
- Filter rules should be flexible we do not want to anticipate all possible settings in advance
- Ensure that the system is easy to extend and reuse

BEFORE WE START WITH ANYTHING...

- Update our MISP instance (git pull origin 2.4)
- Fork github.com/MISP/MISP (via the github interface)
- Add a new remote to our fork:
 - via username/password auth: git remote add my_fork https://github.com/iglocska/MISP
 - via ssh: git remote add my_fork gitgithub.com:iglocska/MISP.git
- Generally a good idea to work on a new branch: git checkoutb dev_exercise
- Enable debug in MISP

IMPLEMENTATION

Storage:

- ► Single key/value table for all settings
- ► Each user should be able to set a single instance of a key
- ► Values could possible become complex, let's use JSON!
- ► Add timestamping for traceability
- Consider which fields we might want to look-up frequently for indexing

THE DATABASE CHANGES WE NEED

- The table structure:
 - ▶ id int(11) auto increment //primary key
 - key varchar(100) //add index!
 - ▶ value text //json
 - user_id int(11) //add index!
 - ► timestamp int(11) //add index!
- Tie it to into the upgrade system (app/Model/AppModel.php)
- Test our upgrade process! Check the output in the audit logs

CHECKLIST

- Outline of the changes needed:
 - New Controller (UserSettingsController.php)
 - New Model (UserSetting.php)
 - ► New Views (setSetting, index)
 - ► Add new controller actions to ACL
 - Update the e-mail alert system to use the functionality

CREATE THE NEW MODEL SKELETON

- location: /var/www/MISP/app/Model/UserSetting.php
- Create basic skeleton
- Add model relationships (hasMany/BelongsTo)
- Use the hooking functionality to deal with the JSON field (beforeSave(), beforeFind())
- Add a function that can be used to check if a user should get an alert based on filters (checkPublishFilter())
- Add a function to check if a user can access/modify a setting (checkAccess())

CREATE THE CONTROLLER SKELETON

- location: /var/www/MISP/app/Model/UserSetting.php
- Create basic skeleton
- Set pagination rules
- Define CRUD functions (exceptionally, we diverge here from the norm)
 - setSetting()
 - getSetting()
 - ▶ index()
 - ► delete()

START WITH AN API ONLY APPROACH AT FIRST

setSetting():

- Accepted methods: ADD / POST
- ► Separate handling of API / UI
- ► POST should create/update an entry
- ► GET should describe the API

GETSETTING / INDEX

getSetting():

- Accepted methods: GET
- Retrieves a single setting based on either ID or setting key and user_id
- Encode the data depending on API/UI
- ► Accepted methods: GET
- ► List all settings
- Filter user scope on demand
- Filter available scopes based on role

DELETE

delete():

- ► Accepted methods: POST / DELETE
- Deletes a single entry based on ID or setting key
- ► Encode the data depending on API/UI

ADD THE ACL FUNCTIONALITIES

- Tie functions into checkAccess():
 - Check if user is allowed to execute actions and throw exceptions if not
 - Add it to: setSetting() / getSetting() / delete()
- Consider that:
 - ► Site admins have full reign
 - Org admins can manage their own users
 - ► Everyone else can self-manage

TEST THE FUNCTIONALITIES

- Use the REST client
- **■** Expectations
 - ► GET on /setSetting and /delete describing our endpoints
 - POST /setSetting with "key": "publish_filter", "value": "Event.tags":"%sofacy%" should return newly added or modified filter
 - ► GET on /index should list our entries, GET on /getSetting should show an individual entry
 - ► DELETE on /delete should delete the entry

START ADDING THE UI COMPONENTS

- We now have a rudimentary CRUD, let's add some simple UI views
 - setSetting as a simple form
 - ► index should use the parametrised generators (IndexTable)
 - Add both views to the menu systems (side-menu, global menu)
 - Don't forget about sanitisation and translations!

ADD THE CHECKPUBLISHFILTER() FUNCTION TO THE E-MAILING

- Trace the code path of the e-mail sending to understand the process
- Decide on the best place to inject our check
- Don't break the flow of the process!
- What do we have access to at this point? What format are they in?

TEST IF OUR CODE WORKS CORRECTLY

- Do we see any notices / errors?
- Is our code easily accessible?
- Consider other roles! Can users/org admins do things we don't want them to do?
- Is our code-base breaking the default behaviour?
- Is our update script working as expected?

PUSH OUR CODE TO OUR FORK AND CREATE A PULL REQUEST

- git status to check what changed / got added
- git add /path/to/file to add files we want to commit
- git commit (format: is "new/fix/chg: [topic] My description"
- git push my_fork
- Create pull request from the github interface
- Wait for Travis to run, update the code if needed

MISP RESTSEARCH MODULE DEVELOP-MENT

BUILDING A SIMPLE EXPORT MODULE FOR THE CORE

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BUILDING A NATIVE RESTSEARCH EXPORT

- Similar in scope to an **export module** of the MISP modules system
- Pros:
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SO HOW DOES RESTSEARCH WORK?

- Standardised way of collecting parameters
- Using the parameters, a loop is started to chunk and gradually build our export data
- The chunk size depends on memory envelopes
- Each chunk is **converted piece by piece**...
- ... and subsequently are concatenated into a temporary file
- Once no more elements are left, the file is sent in the response

WHERE DOES THE MODULE SYSTEM COME INTO PLAY?

- The export modules handle 5 tasks:
 - Pass meta-information back to restSearch on the export format itself
 - ► Add a **start segment** to the exported data
 - Do the actual conversion from MISP's internal format to the desired export format
 - Provide a separator for data chunks
 - Have a closing segment for the returned data, based on the formats conventions

OUR LITTLE TRAINING MODULE: NIBBLER, THE EVER HUNGRY IDS/IPS



NIBBLER

- Simplistic tool with its own proprietary format
- Meant to mimic a typical in-house tool
- Lightweight scope, for simplicityś sake
- pipe separated values
- VALUE | TYPE | DESCRIPTION | REFERENCE | ACTION

NIBBLER FORMAT - CAVEATS

- Rules can be prepended by comments, each comment line starting with #
- Some characters have to be escaped in some custom, crazy ways
 - ► linebreaks: ##LINFBRFAK##
 - commas: ##COMMA##
 - ▶ pipes: ##PIPE##

NIBBLER FORMAT

- Value: The actual indicator value
- Type: The format of the indicator
- **Description**: A quick description for analysts investigating the alert, why is this relevant
- Reference: A backreference that the analyst can use to find out more about the alert
- **Action**: What should Nibbler do if it trips over the value?

SUPPORTED TYPES

- IP
- Domain
- Hostname
- MD5
- SHA1
- SHA256
- Filename

SUPPORTED VALUES

- ALERT default behaviour, create an alert.
- BLOCK block the action outright. Only set if the tag nibbler:block is present

MAPPING THE TYPES TO MISP

- Though we have types to map from MISP, in some cases several types map to a Nibbler type
- We've created a rough **mapping** (this is probably the most difficult task) in advance
- Some MISP types map to a Nibbler type directly
- Composite MISP types map to 2 Nibbler types each

MAPPING THE TYPES TO MISP

- ip-dst :: IP
- ip-src :: IP
- domain :: Domain
- domain|ip :: Domain, IP
- hostname :: Hostname
- md5 :: MD5
- sha1:: SHA1
- sha256 :: SHA256
- filename|md5 :: Filename, MD5
- malware-sample :: Filename, MD5
- filename|sha1 :: Filename, SHA1
- filename|sha256 :: Filename, SHA256

EXPORT MODULE SKELETON

```
<?php
class NibblerExport
    public $additional_params = array();
    public function handler(
        $data, $options = array()
    public function header(
        $options = array()
    public function footer() {}
    public function separator() {}
```

ADDITIONAL PARAMETERS

```
public $additional_params = array(
    'flatten' => 1
);
```

ADDING OUR MAPPING

```
private $__mapping = array(
  'ip-dst' => 'IP',
  'ip-src' => 'IP',
  'domain' => 'Domain',
  'domain|ip' => ['Domain', 'IP'],
  'hostname' => 'Hostname',
  'md5' => 'MD5'.
  'sha1' => 'SHA1',
  'sha256' => 'SHA256',
  'filename | md5' => array('Filename', 'MD5'),
  'malware-sample' => array('Filename', 'MD5'),
  'filename|sha1' => array('Filename', 'SHA1'),
  'filename|sha256' => array('Filename', 'SHA256')
```

WRITING THE START OF THE OUTPUT

```
public function header($options = array())
{
    return sprintf(
        "# Nibbler rules generated by MISP at %s\n",
         date('Y-m-d H:i:s')
    );
}
```

FOOTER FUNCTION - HOW SHOULD THE OUTPUT END?

```
public function footer()
{
    return "\n";
}
```

WHAT SEPARATES THE CHUNKS?

```
public function separator()
{
    return "\n";
}
```

THE ACTUAL LEGWORK, THE HANDLER

```
public function handler($data, $options = array())
{
   if ($options['scope'] === 'Attribute') {
        $data['Attribute']['AttributeTag'] = $data['AttributeTag'];
        return $this->__convertAttribute($data['Attribute'], $data['Event']);
   }
   if ($options['scope'] === 'Event') {
        $result = array();
        foreach ($data['Attribute'] as $attribute) {
            $temp = $this->__convertAttribute($attribute, $data['Event']);
            if ($temp) $result[] = $temp;
        }
        return implode($this->separator(), $result);
   }
   return '';
}
```

BUILDING AN OPTIONAL INTERNAL CONVERTER FUNCTION

```
private function __convertAttribute($attribute, $eve
  if (empty($this -> __mapping[$attribute['type']])) {
   // mapping not found — invalid type for nibbler
    return '';
 if (is_array($this ->__mapping[$attribute['type']])
    // handle mappings for composites - slide
 } else {
   // handle simple mappings — slide
 // return 1 or 2 lines, separated by separator()
 return implode($this -> separator(), $result);
```

HANDLING THE SIMPLE CASE

```
$result[] = sprintf(
  '%s|%s|%s|%s',
  $this->__escapeSpecialChars($attribute['value']),
  $this->_mapping[$attribute['type']],
  $event['uuid'],
  $this->__escapeSpecialChars($event['info']),
  'ALERT'
);
```

HANDLING THE CASE FOR COMPOSITES

```
$attribute['value'] = explode(
  '|'. $attribute['value']
foreach (array(0,1) as $part) {
  $result[] = sprintf(
    '%s|%s|%s|%s|%s',
    $this -> __escapeSpecialChars(
      $attribute['value'][$part]
    $this ->__mapping[$attribute['type']][$part],
    $event['uuid'].
    $this ->__escapeSpecialChars($event['info']),
    'ALERT'
```

PUTTING IT TOGETHER

```
private function convertAttribute($attribute, $event) {
 if (empty($this -> mapping[$attribute['type']])) return '':
 $result = array();
 Sattributes = arrav():
 if (is array($this -> mapping[$attribute['type']])) {
    $attribute['value'] = explode('|', $attribute['value']);
   foreach (array(0,1) as $part) {
      $result[] = sprintf(
       '%s|%s|%s|%s|%s'.
        $this -> escapeSpecialChars($attribute['value'][$part]),
        $this -> mapping[$attribute['type']][$part],
       /events/view/ . Sevent['uuid'].
       $this -> escapeSpecialChars($event['info']).
       $this -> decideOnAction($attribute['AttributeTag'])
 } else {
    $result[] = sprintf(
      '%s|%s|%s|%s|%s'...
      $this -> __escapeSpecialChars($attribute['value']),
      $this ->__mapping[$attribute['type']],
      /events/view/ . $event['uuid'],
      $this -> escapeSpecialChars($event['info']).
      $this -> decideOnAction($attribute['AttributeTag'])
 return implode($this -> separator(), $result);
```

ADDING THE FUNCTION THAT DECIDES ON THE ACTION

```
private function __decideOnAction($attributeTags)
 foreach($attributeTags as $attributeTag) {
    if (
      $attributeTag['Tag']['name'] ===
        'nibbler:block'
      return 'BLOCK':
 return 'ALERT':
```

FINALISING THE EXPORT MODULE... THE ESCAPING FUNCTION

```
private function __escapeSpecialChars($value)
 $value = preg_replace(
   "/\r|\n/", "##LINEBREAK##", $value
 $value = preg_replace(
   "/,/", "##COMMA##", $value
 $value = preg_replace(
   "/\|/". "##PIPE##". $value
 return $value:
```

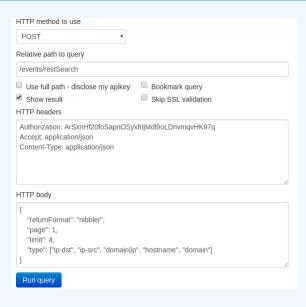
MODIFYING THE MISP CORE TO KNOW ABOUT THE EX-PORT MODULE

- The **models** that we are targeting by scope (Event, Attribute) need to be updated
- They are located in /var/www/MISP/app/Model/
- The global variable **\$validFormats** houses all mappings
- Simply add a new line such as the following:
- 'nibbler' => array('nibbler', 'NibblerExport', 'nibbler')

LET US TEST THE MODULE!

- Use the **rest client** to test it conveniently
- Both the event and attribute level restSearch function should work
- Simply set the **returnFormat** to nibbler, which should also show up as a valid export format

REST CLIENT



MISP - GALAXY 2.0

METHOD FOR SHARING THREAT INTELLIGENCE

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OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION

- Present the features available for Sharing galaxy clusters
- Look at the internals of what changed in the datamodel and MISP's behaviors

MISP GALAXY 2.0

Galaxy 2.0 introduces various new features for *Galaxies* and their *Clusters* allowing:

- Creation of custom Clusters
- ACL on Clusters
- **Connection** of Clusters via Relations
- **Synchronization** to connected instances.
- Visualization of forks and relationships

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DEFAULT GALAXY CLUSTERS

Default Galaxy cluster

- Coming from the misp-galaxy repository¹
- Cannot be edited
 - Only way to provide modification is to modify the stored JSON or to open a pull request
 - Are not synchronized
 - Source of trust
- Restrictions propagate to their children (Galaxy cluster elements, Cluster relationships)

Custom Galaxy cluster

- Can be created via the UI or API
- Belongs to an organisation
 - ► Fully editable
 - Are synchronized

https://github.com/MISP/misp-galaxy

MISP GALAXY 2.0 - COMPARISON WITH PRIOR VERSION

Clusters and Relations can be edited.

- New Clusters fields
 - distribution, sharing_group_id
 - ▶ org_id, orgc_id
 - ► locked, published, deleted
 - ▶ default
 - Clusters coming from the misp-galaxies repository are marked as default
 - Not synchronized
 - Same purpose as Event's locked field
 - extends_uuid
 - Point to the Cluster that has been forked
 - extends_version
 - Keep track of the Cluster version that has been forked

MISP GALAXY 2.0 - OTHERS CHANGES

- *Role* perm_galaxy_editor
- Relations also have a distribution and can have *Tags*
- Synchronization servers have 2 new flags
 - ► pull galaxy clusters
 - ► push_galaxy_clusters
- Clusters blocklist

FEATURES IN DEPTH: CRUD

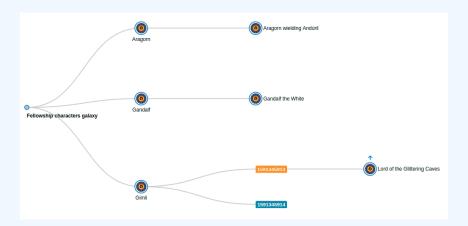
- Standard CRUD
- Soft and Hard deletion
- Publishing
- Update forked cluster to keep it synchronized with its parent
- ACL on the Cluster itself, not on its tag
 - misp-galaxy:galaxy-type="cluster UUID"
 - misp-galaxy:mitre-attack-pattern="e4932f21-4867-4de6-849a-1b11e48e2682"

FEATURES IN DEPTH: VISUALIZATION

Advertising

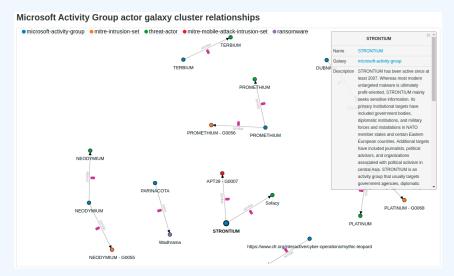
L h Online Advertising
L h Postal Advertising

Tree view of forked Clusters



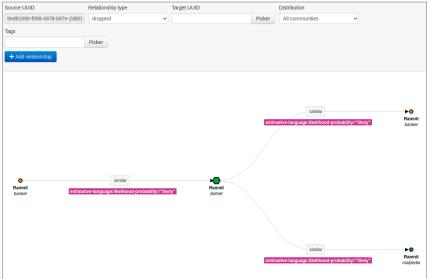
FEATURES IN DEPTH: VISUALIZATION

Tree and network views for Relations between Clusters



FEATURES IN DEPTH: VISUALIZATION

Tree and network views for Relations between Clusters



GALAXY CLUSTER ELEMENTS

Hasn't been touched: Still a key-value stored. But new feature have been added²

Tabular view

■ Allows you to browse **cluster elements** like before



²Will be included in next release

GALAXY CLUSTER ELEMENTS

JSON view

- Allows you to visualisation cluster element in a JSON structure
- Allows you to convert any JSON into cluster elements enabling searches and correlations

SYNCHRONIZATION IN DEPTH

Has its own synchronization mechanism which can be enabled with the pull_galaxy_cluster and push_galaxy_cluster flags

- Pull All: Pull all remote Clusters (similar to event's pull all)
- Pull Update: Update local Clusters (similar to event's pull update)
- Pull Relevant: Pull missing Clusters based on local Tags
- **Push**: Triggered whenever a Cluster is published or via standard push

AN Introduction to Cybersecu-RITY Information Sharing

MISP - THREAT SHARING

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CONTENT OF THE PRESENTATION

- Data sharing in MISP
- Data models for the Data layer
- Data models for the Context layer

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LAYERS OF DATA MODEL

Data layer

- ► The raw data itself as well as element to link them together
- ► Indicators, Observables and means to contextually link them
- ► MISP terminology: Event, Attributes, misp-objects, ...

■ Context layer

- As important as the data layer, allow triage, false-positive management, risk-assessment and prioritisation
- Latches on the data layer, usually referencing threat intelligence, concepts, knowledge base and vocabularies
- ► Tags, Taxonomies, Galaxies, ...

DATA SHARING IN MISP

SHARING IN MISP: DISTRIBUTION

MISP offers granulars distribution settings:

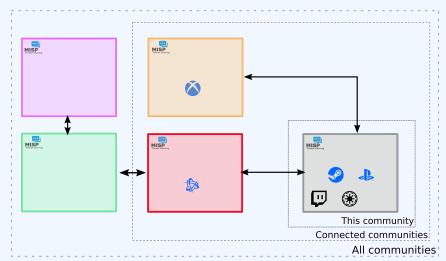
- Organisation only
- This community
- Connected communities
- All communities
- Distribution lists aka **Sharing groups**



At multiple levels: **Events, Attributes, Objects** (and their **Attributes**) and **Galaxy-clusters**

SHARING IN MISP: DISTRIBUTION





DATA LAYER

DATA LAYER: NAMING CONVENTIONS

Data layer

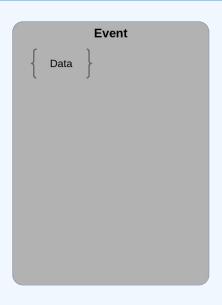
- Events are encapsulations for contextually linked information
- Attributes are individual data points, which can be indicators or supporting data.
- ▶ **Objects** are custom templated Attribute compositions
- Object references are the relationships between individual building blocks
- ► **Shadow Attributes/Proposal** are suggestions made by users to modify an existing *attribute*
- Sightings are a means to convey that a data point has been seen
- ► **Event reports** are supporting materials for analysts to describe *events*, *processes*, etc

DATA LAYER: EVENTS

- **Events** are encapsulations for contextually linked information
 - **Purpose**: Group datapoints and context together. Acting as an envelop, it allows setting distribution and sharing rules for itself and its children.
 - **Usecase**: Encode incidents / events / reports / ...



DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - BASE



DATA LAYER: EVENTS

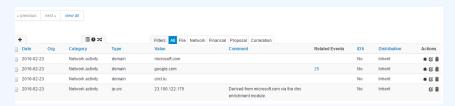
```
"date": "2019-02-20",
3
       "info": "IoT malware — Gafgyt.Gen28 (active)",
       "uuid": "5c6d21e5-bb60-47b7-b892-42e6950d2111",
4
5
6
       "analysis": "2",
       "timestamp": "1602315388",
       "distribution": "3",
8
       "sharing_group_id": "o",
       "threat_level_id": "3",
9
       "extends_uuid": "",
10
       "Attribute": [...],
11
       "Object": [...],
12
       "EventReport": [...],
13
       "Tag": [...],
14
       "Galaxy": [...]
15
16
```

DATA LAYER: ATTRIBUTES

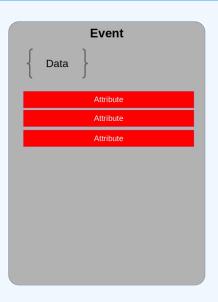
Attributes are individual data points, indicators or supporting data

Purpose: Individual data point. Can be an indicator or supporting data.

Usecase: Domain, IP, link, sha1, attachment, ...



DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - RAW DATA



DATA LAYER: ATTRIBUTES

```
"type": "url",
       "category": "Network activity",
       "to ids": true,
       "uuid": "5c6d24bd-d094-4dd6-a1b6-4fa3950d2111",
       "event_id": "178",
       "distribution": "5",
8
       "sharing_group_id": "o",
       "timestamp": "1550656701",
10
       "comment": "Delivery point for the malware",
       "object_id": "o",
11
12
       "object relation": null.
       "first_seen": null,
13
       "last seen": null.
14
       "value": "ftp://185.135.80.163/",
15
       "Tag": [...]
16
       "Galaxy": [...]
17
18 }
```

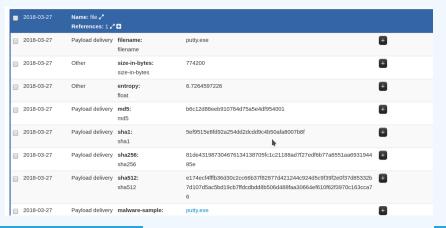
DATA LAYER: MISP OBJECTS

Objects are custom templated Attribute compositions

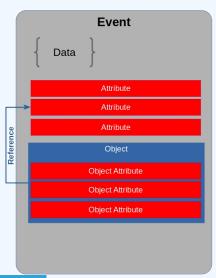
Purpose: Groups Attributes that are intrinsically linked

together

Usecase: File, person, credit-card, x509, device, ...



DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - DATA COMPOSITION



DATA LAYER: MISP OBJECTS

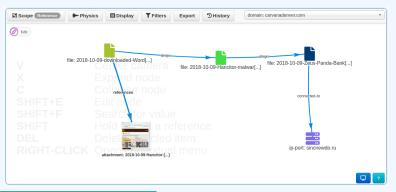
```
"name": "elf-section",
3
       "meta-category": "file",
       "description": "Object describing a sect...",
       "template_uuid": "ca271f32 -1234-4e87-b240-6b6e882de5de",
 5
6
       "template version": "4".
       "uuid": "ab5foc85-5623-424c-bco3-d79841700d74",
8
       "timestamp": "1550655984",
       "distribution": "5",
9
       "sharing_group_id": "o",
10
11
       "comment": "".
       "first_seen": null,
12
       "last_seen": null,
13
       "ObjectReference": [].
14
       "Attribute": [...]
15
16
```

DATA LAYER: OBJECT REFERENCES

Object references are the relationships between individual building blocks

Purpose: Allows to create relationships between entities, thus creating a graph where they are the edges and entities are the nodes.

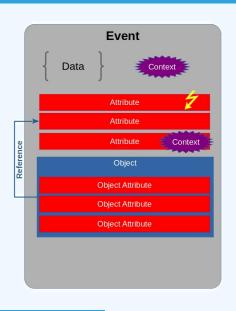
Usecase: Represent behaviours, similarities, affiliation, ...



DATA LAYER: OBJECT REFERENCES

```
1 {
2     "uuid": "5c6d21f9-0384-4bd2-b256-40de950d2111",
3     "timestamp": "1602318569",
4     "object_id": "1024",
5     "source_uuid": "23275e05-c202-460e-aadf-819c417fb326",
6     "referenced_uuid": "ab5foc85-5623-424c-bc03-d79841700d74",
7     "referenced_type": "1",
8     "relationship_type": "included-in",
9     "comment": "Section o of ELF"
10 }
```

DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - CONTEXT



DATA LAYER: SIGHTINGS

Sightings are a means to convey that a data point has been seen

Purpose: Allows to add temporality to the data.

Usecase: Record activity or occurence, perform IoC expiration, ...



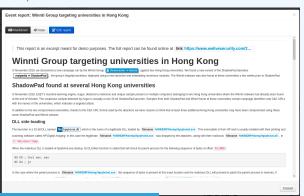
```
1 {
2     "org_id": "1",
3     "date_sighting": "1573722432",
4     "uuid": "5dcd1940-5de8-4462-93dd-12a2a5e38e14",
5     "source": "",
6     "type": "0",
7     "attribute_uuid": "5da97b59-9650-4be2-9443-2194a5e38e14"
8 }
```

DATA LAYER: EVENT REPORTS

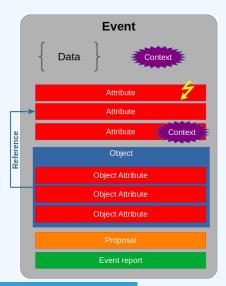
Event reports are supporting data for analysis to describe **events**, **processes**, ect

Purpose: Supporting data point to describe events or processes

Usecase: Encode reports, provide more information about the Event, ...



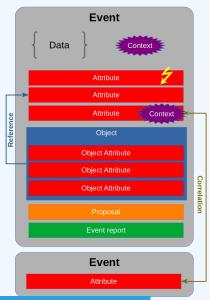
DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - COLLABORATION & INTELLIGENCE



DATA LAYER: EVENT REPORTS

```
1 {
2     "uuid": "076e24ob-5a76-4a8b-9eab-cfff551993dd",
3     "event_id": "2127",
4     "name": "Event report (1607362986)",
5     "content": "...",
6     "distribution": "5",
7     "sharing_group_id": "0",
8     "timestamp": "1607362986"
9 }
```

DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - FULL



CONTEXT LAYER

CONTEXT LAYER: NAMING CONVENTIONS

- Context layer
 - Tags are free-text labels attached to events/attributes and can come from Taxonomies
 - Android Malware, C2, ...
 - ► **Taxonomies** are a set of common classification allowing to express the same vocabulary among a distributed set of users and organisations
 - tlp:green, false-positive:risk="high", admiralty-scale:information-credibility="2"

CONTEXT LAYER: NAMING CONVENTIONS

■ Context layer

- Galaxies are container copmosed of Galaxy-clusters that belongs to the same family
 - Similar to what **Events** are to **Attributes**
 - Country, Threat actors, Botnet, ...
- Galaxy-clusters are knowledge base items coming from Galaxies.
 - Basically a taxonomy with additional meta-information
 - misp-galaxy:threat-actor="APT 29",
 misp-galaxy:country="luxembourg"

CONTEXT LAYER: TAGS

Simple free-text labels

```
TLP AMBER

TLP:AMBER

Threat tlp:Amber

tlp-amber

tlp::amber

tlp::amber
```

CONTEXT LAYER: TAXONOMIES

Simple label standardised on common set of vocabularies

Purpose: Enable efficent classification globally understood, easing consumption and automation.

Usecase: Provide classification such as: TLP, Confidence,

Source, Workflows, Event type, ...

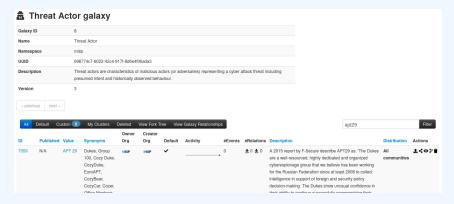


CONTEXT LAYER: TAXONOMIES

```
"Taxonomy": {
2
       "namespace": "admiralty-scale",
       "description": "The Admiralty Scale or Ranking (also called
           the NATO System)...",
       "version": "6".
       "exclusive": false.
7
8
     "entries": [
          "tag": "admiralty-scale:information-credibility=\"1\"",
10
          "expanded": "Information Credibility: Confirmed by other
11
              sources",
          "numerical_value": 100,
12
          "exclusive predicate": true.
13
14
15
16
17
```

CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXIES

Collections of galaxy clusters



CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXY CLUSTERS

Kownledge base items including a description, links, synonyms, meta-information and relationships

Purpose: Enable description of complex high-level

information for classification

Usecase: Extensively describe elements such as threat

actors, countries, technique used, ...



CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXY CLUSTERS

Galaxy cluster elements: Tabular view



Galaxy cluster elements: JSON view

```
Tabular view JSON www +Add JSON as cluster's elements

{
    "attribution-confidence": [
        "50"
],
    "cfr-suspected-state-sponsor": [
        "Russian Federation"
],
    "cfr-suspected-victims": [
        "United States",
        "China",
        "New Zealand",
        "Ukerae",
```

CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXY CLUSTERS

```
"uuid": "5edaoa53-1d98-4d01-ae06-40daoa00020f",
3
       "type": "fellowship-characters",
       "value": "Aragorn wielding Anduril",
       "tag_name": "misp-galaxy:fellowship-characters=\"c3fe907a-6a36
 5
           -4cd1-9456-dcdf35c3f907\"",
       "description": "The Aragorn character wielding Anduril",
6
       "source": "Middle-earth universe by J. R. R. Tolkien",
8
       "authors": null.
9
       "version": "1591347795",
       "distribution": "o",
10
11
       "sharing_group_id": null,
       "default": false,
12
       "extends_uuid": "5eda0117-1e14-4b0a-9e26-34aff331dc3b",
13
       "extends_version": "1591345431",
14
       "GalaxyElement": [...],
15
       "GalaxyClusterRelation": [...]
16
17
```

CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXIES & GALAXY CLUSTERS

- MISP integrates MITRE's Adversarial Tactics, Techniques, and Common Knowledge (ATT&CK) and similar Galaxy Matrix
- MISP terminology of these matrixes: Galaxy Matrix



GALAXY JSON MATRIX-LIKE

```
"description": "Universal Development and Security Guidelines as
           Applicable to Election Technology.",
     "icon": "map",
     "kill_chain_order": {
                                      \\Tab in the matrix
5
          "example-of-threats": [
                                      \\Column in the matrix
          "setup | party/candidate-registration",
7
8
          "setup | electoral-rolls",
          "campaign | campaign-IT",
          "all-phases | governement-IT",
9
          "voting | election-technology",
10
          "campaign/public-communication | media/press"
11
12
13
     "name": "Election guidelines",
14
     "namespace": "misp",
15
     "type": "guidelines".
16
17
     "uuid": "c1dco3b2-89b3-42a5-9d41-782ef726435a",
     "version": 1
18
19
```

CLUSTER ISON MATRIX-LIKE

```
"description": "DoS or overload of party/campaign
              registration, causing them to miss the deadline",
         "meta": {
           "date": "March 2018.",
5
            "kill_chain": [ \\Define in which column the cluster should be placed
               "example-of-threats:setup | party/candidate-registration"
           "refs": [
              "https://www.ria.ee/sites/default/files/content-editors/
                  kuberturve/cyber security of election technology.pdf
10
11
         "uuid": "154c6186-a007-4460-a029-ea23163448fe",
12
         "value": "DoS or overload of party/campaign registration,
13
              causing them to miss the deadline"
14
```

EXPRESSING RELATION BETWEEN CLUSTERS

Cluster can be related to one or more clusters using default relationships from MISP objects and a list of tags to classify the relation.

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VISUALISE ALL THE THINGS

BUILDING DASHBOARD WIDGETS FOR MISP

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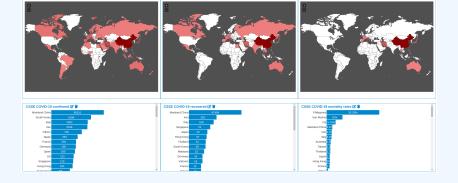
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DASHBOARD IN MISP

- User configurable simple dashboard interface
- Visualise, aggregate and track data important to you
- Brand new feature, still undergoing reworks



THE INTERNALS OF AWIDGET

- Backend for the widget, full access to all MISP internals
- Load, convert, format to be represented via view widgets
- Widget metadata size, name, description, behaviours
- Only main function required to be implemented: handler()
- Optional: checkPermissions() for ACL
- Accepts user configuration for which a template can be provided
- Located in /var/www/MISP/app/Lib/Dashboard/
- Custom widgets can be placed in /var/www/MISP/app/Lib/Dashboard/Custom/

THE VIEW LAYER OF A WIDGET

- View files are included by default and reusable
- Currently we have a small but growing list of views
 - ▶ BarChart
 - ▶ SimpleList
 - ► WorldMap
- Converts the data passed by the Widget logic to HTML
- Located in /var/www/MISP/view/Elements/dashboard/Widgets/

WIDGET BEHAVIOURS

- Widgets can additionally be tied to certain **behaviours**:
 - ► Caching
 - Executions of the widget logic are cached
 - Separate caches for each organisation in addition to site admins
 - Cache duration is controlled by the widget logic
 - Refresh
 - Widgets can be set to refresh after x seconds
 - ► Both of these should be used with special care in regards to the use of **system resources**

EXERCISE MODULE: SIMPLE WHOAMI

- Let's start with a skeleton
- Create /var/www/MISP/app/Lib/Dashboard/Custom/WhoamiWidget.php
- MISP will parse anything ending with Widget.php in this directory

EXERCISE MODULE: SIMPLE WHOAMI

```
<?php
   class MispWhoamiWidget
     public $title = 'Whoami';
     public $render = 'SimpleList';
     public $width = 2;
     public $height = 2;
     public $params = array();
     public $description = 'Shows information about the
9
         currently logged in user.';
     public $cacheLifetime = false;
10
     public $autoRefreshDelay = 3;
11
12
     public function handler($user, $options = array())
13
14
       $data = array();
15
       return $data;
17
18
```

META INFORMATION

- **\$title**: The name of the widget
- \$description: A description of the widget
- \$render: The view element to use in rendering the widget
- \$width & \$height: Default relative dimensions
- **\$params**: Configuration array with explanations for each key
- \$cacheLifetime: The lifetime of the caches in seconds (false disables it)
- \$autoRefreshDelay: The time in seconds between each refresh (false disables it)

THE HANDLER

```
1 public function handler($user, $options = array())
 2 {
 3
     $this->Log = ClassRegistry::init('Log'):
     $entries = $this->Log->find('all', array(
        'recursive' => -1,
       'conditions' => array(
 6
          'action' => 'login', 'user id' => $user['id']
 8
9
       'order' => 'id desc',
       'limit' => 5,
        'fields' => arrav('created', 'ip')
12
     foreach ($entries as &$entry) {
13
       $entry = $entry['Log']['created'] . ' --- ' .
14
15
         empty($entry['Log']['ip']) ?
16
         'IP not logged' :
          $entry['Log']['ip']
19
20
     return arrav(
21
       array('title' => 'Email', 'value' => $user['email']),
       array(
          'title' => 'Role', 'value' => $user['Role']['name']
24
26
       array(
         'title' => 'Organisation',
28
         'value' => $user['Organisation']['name']
29
30
       array(
          'title' => 'IP', 'value' => $ SERVER['REMOTE ADDR']
32
       array('title' => 'Last logins', 'value' => $entries)
34
35
```

RESULT

Whoami 📝 📋

Email: admin@admin.test

Role: admin

Organisation: ORGNAME

IP: ::1

Last logins:

2020-03-05 06:50:46 --- ::1

2020-03-04 21:35:15 --- IP not logged

2020-03-04 09:34:44 --- IP not logged

2020-03-03 16:58:35 --- IP not logged

2020-03-03 06:49:10 --- IP not logged

TURNING DATA INTO ACTIONABLE IN-TELLIGENCE

ADVANCED FEATURES IN MISP SUPPORTING YOUR ANA-

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ABOUT CIRCL



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MISP AND CIRCL

- CIRCL is mandated by the Ministry of Economy and acting as the Luxembourg National CERT for private sector.
- CIRCL leads the development of the Open Source MISP threat intelligence platform which is used by many military or intelligence communities, private companies, financial sector, National CERTs and LEAs globally.
- CIRCL runs multiple large MISP communities performing active daily threat-intelligence sharing.

THE AIM OF THIS PRESENTATION

- To give some insight into what sort of an evolution of our various communities' have gone through as observed over the past 8 years
- Show the importance of **strong contextualisation**...
- ...and how that can be leveraged when trying to make our data actionable

DEVELOPMENT BASED ON PRACTICAL USER FEEDBACK

- There are many different types of users of an information sharing platform like MISP:
 - ► Malware reversers willing to share indicators of analysis with respective colleagues.
 - Security analysts searching, validating and using indicators in operational security.
 - Intelligence analysts gathering information about specific adversary groups.
 - ► Law-enforcement relying on indicators to support or bootstrap their DFIR cases.
 - Risk analysis teams willing to know about the new threats, likelyhood and occurences.
 - Fraud analysts willing to share financial indicators to detect financial frauds.

THE INITIAL SCOPE OF MISP

- Extract information during the analysis process
- Store and correlate these datapoints
- Share the data with partners
- Focus on technical indicators: IP, domain, hostname, hashes, filename, pattern in file/memory/traffic
- Generate protective signatures out of the data: snort, suricata, OpenIOC

INITIAL WORKFLOW



Raw data







Signatures

WHY WAS IT SO SIMPLISTIC?

- This was both a reflection of our maturity as a community
 - Capabilities for extracting information
 - ► Capabilities for **utilising** the information
 - Lack of willingness to share context
 - Lack of co-operation between teams doing technical analysis/monitoring and threat-intel
- The more growth we saw in maturity, the more we tried to match it with our data-model, often against pushback

THE GROWING NEED TO CONTEXTUALISE DATA

- There were separate factors that made our data-sets less and less useful for detection/defense in general
 - ► Growth of our communities
 - Distinguish between information of interest and raw data
 - ► False-positive management
 - TTPs and aggregate information may be prevalent compared to raw data (risk assessment)
 - Increased data volumes leads to be able to prioritise

OUR INITIAL SOLUTION

- Allow users to tag any information created in MISP
- We wanted to be lax with what we accept in terms of data, but be strict on what we fed to our tools, with strong filter options
- We had some ideas on how to potentially move forward...

OUR INITIAL FAILURES

- Try to capture different aspects of contextualisation into **normalised values** (threat level, source reliability, etc)
 - Didn't scale with needs other than our own
 - ► Incorporating new types of contextualisation would mean **the modification of the software**
 - Getting communities with established naming conventions to use anything but their go-to vocabularies was a pipe-dream
 - Heated arguments over numeric conversions

HUMAN CREATIVITY

- We tried an alternate approach instead: Free tagging
 - Result was spectacularly painful, at least 7 different ways to spell tlp:amber
 - No canonisation for common terms lead to tagging ultimately becoming a highly flawed tool for filtering within a sharing community



HOW WE ENDED UP TACKLING THE ISSUE MORE SUCCESSFULY

- We ended up with a mixed approach, currently implemented by the MISP-taxonomy system
 - ► Taxonomies are **vocabularies** of known tags
 - ► Tags would be in a **triple tag format** namespace:predicate="value"
 - Create your own taxonomies, recipients should be able to use data you tag with them without knowing it at the first place
 - ► Avoid any coding, stick to **ISON**
- Massive success, approaching 100 taxonomies
- Organisations can solve their own issues without having to rely on us

☐ Tag	Events	Attributes	Tags
workflow:state="complete"	11	0	workflow:state="complete"
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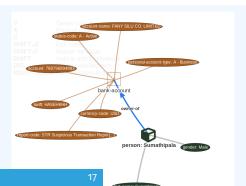
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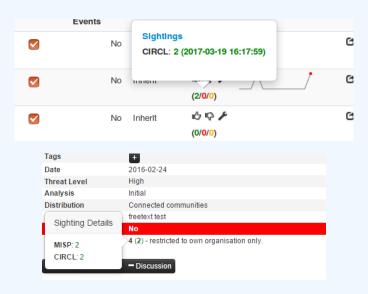
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CONTINUOUS FEEDBACK LOOP

- Data ingested by MISP was in a sense frozen in time
- We had a creation data, but lacked a way to use the output of our detection
- Lead to the introduction of the Sighting system
- The community could sight indicators and convey the time of sighting
- Potentially powerful tool for IoC lifecycle management, clumsy query implementation default

SUPPORTING SPECIFIC DATAMODEL



MAKING USE OF ALL THIS CONTEXT

- Most obvious goal: Improve the way we query data
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 - Allow for an on-demand way of excluding potential false positives
 - Allow users to easily build their own export modules feed their various tools

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```
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    "returnFormat": "netfilter",
    "enforceWarninglist": 1,
    "tags": {
      "NOT": [
        "tlp:white",
        "type: OSINT"
      "OR":
        "misp-galaxy:threat-actor=\"Sofacy\"",
        "misp-galaxy:sector=\"Chemical\""
```

SYNCHRONISATION FILTERS

- Make decisions on whom to share data with based on context
 - MISP by default decides based on the information creator's decision who data gets shared with
 - Community hosts should be able to act as a safety net for sharing
 - Push filters what can I push?
 - Pull filters what am I interested in?
 - Local tags allow for information flow control

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    ],
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}
```

A SAMPLE RESULT FOR THE ABOVE QUERY



MONITOR TRENDS OUTSIDE OF MISP (EXAMPLE: DASHBOARD)



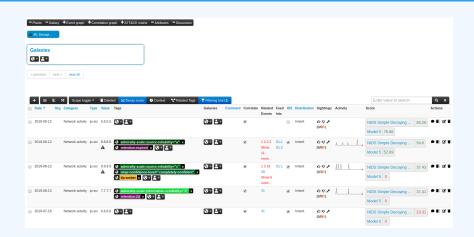
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- Move the decision making from complex filter options to complex decay models
- Decay models would take into account various taxonomies, sightings, the type of each indicator Sightings and Creation date
- The first iteration of what we have in MISP now took:
 - 2 years of research
 - 3 published research papers
 - ► A lot of prototyping

Scoring Indicators: Our solution

- score ∈ [0, 100]
- base_score \in [0,100]
- decay is a function defined by model's parameters controlling decay speed
- Attribute Contains Attribute's values and metadata (Taxonomies, Galaxies, ...)
- Model Contains the Model's configuration

IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: Event/view

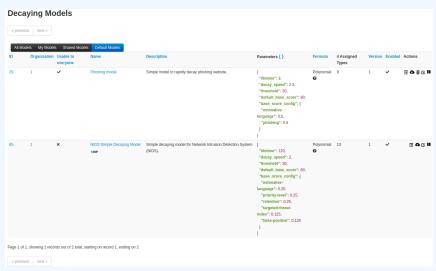


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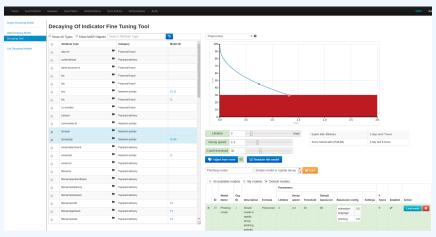
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    "category": "Network activity",
    "type": "ip-src",
    "to ids": true.
    "timestamp": "1565703507",
    [...]
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IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: INDEX



View, update, add, create, delete, enable, export, import

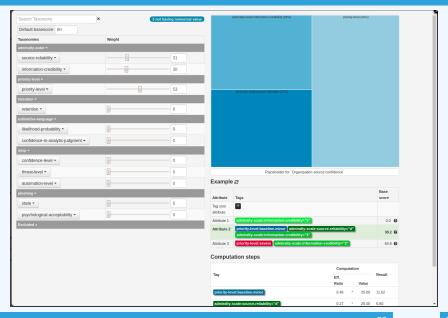
IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: FINE TUNING TOOL



Create, modify, visualise, perform mapping

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Implementation in MISP: base_score tool



IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: SIMULATION TOOL



Simulate Attributes with different Models

IMPLEMENTATION IN MISP: API QUERY BODY

```
/attributes/restSearch
    "includeDecayScore": 1,
    "includeFullModel": o,
    "excludeDecayed": o,
    "decayingModel": [85],
    "modelOverrides": {
        "threshold": 30
    "score": 30.
```

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TURNING DATA INTO ACTIONABLE IN-TELLIGENCE

ADVANCED FEATURES IN MISP SUPPORTING YOUR ANA-

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THE AIM OF THIS PRESENTATION

- Why is **contextualisation** important?
- What options do we have in MISP?
- How can we leverage this in the end?

THE GROWING NEED TO CONTEXTUALISE DATA

- Contextualisation became more and more important as we as a community matured
 - ► **Growth and diversification** of our communities
 - Distinguish between information of interest and raw data
 - ► False-positive management
 - TTPs and aggregate information may be prevalent compared to raw data (risk assessment)
 - Increased data volumes leads to a need to be able to prioritise
- These help with filtering your TI based on your requirements...
- ...as highlighted by Pasquale Stirparo Your Requirements Are Not My Requirements

OBJECTIVES

- Some main objectives we want to achieve when producing data
 - ► Ensure that the information is **consumable** by everybody
 - ► That it is **useful** to the entire target audience
 - ► The data is **contextualised** for it to be understood by everyone
- What we ideally want from our data
 - ▶ We want to be able to **filter** data for different use-cases
 - We want to be able to get as much knowledge out of the data as possible
 - We want to know where the data is from, how it got there, why we should care

DIFFERENT LAYERS OF CONTEXT

- Context added by analysts / tools
- Data that tells a story
- Encoding analyst knowledge to automatically leverage the above

CONTEXT ADDED BY ANALYSTS / TOOLS

EXPRESSING WHY DATA-POINTS MATTER

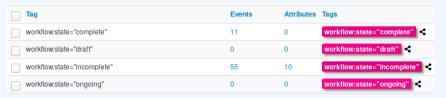
- An IP address by itself is barely ever interesting
- We need to tell the recipient / machine why this is relevant
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- We differentiate between indicators and supporting data

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TAGGING AND TAXONOMIES

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- Standardising on vocabularies
- Different organisational/community cultures require different nomenclatures
- Triple tag system taxonomies
- JSON libraries that can easily be defined without our intervention



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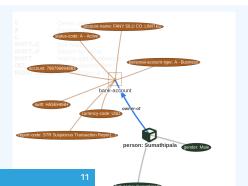
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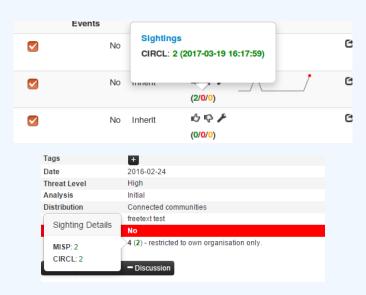
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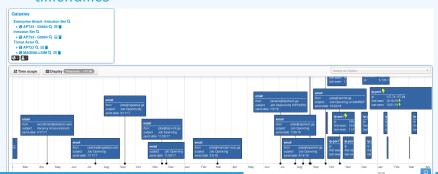
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- Signal the fact of an indicator sighting...
- ...as well as **when** and **where** it was sighted
- Vital component for IoC lifecycle management

CONTINUOUS FEEDBACK LOOP (2)



A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME - ADDING TEMPORALITY TO OUR DATA

- As Andreas said no time based aspect was painful
- Recently introduced first_seen and last_seen data points
- Along with a complete integration with the **UI**
- Enables the visualisation and adjustment of indicators timeframes



THE VARIOUS WAYS OF ENCODING ANALYST KNOWLEDGE TO AUTOMATICALLY LEVERAGE OUR TI

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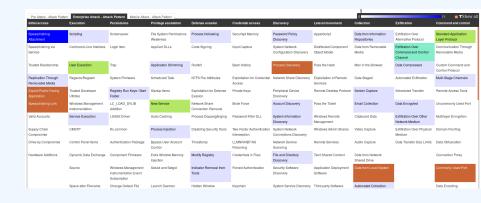
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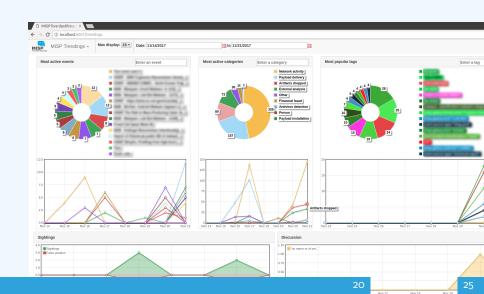
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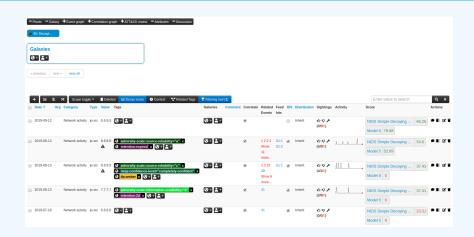
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MISP STANDARD

- Following the grow of organisations relying on MISP, the JSON format used by MISP are standardised under the misp-standard.org umbrella
- The goal is to provide a flexible set of standards to support information exchange and data modeling in the following field:
 - Cybersecurity intelligence
 - ► Threat intelligence
 - ► Financial fraud
 - ► Vulnerability information
 - ► Border control information
 - ► Digital Forensic and Incident Response
 - and intelligence at large

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STANDARD - MISP CORE FORMAT

This standard describes the MISP core format used to exchange indicators and threat information between MISP instances. The JSON format includes the overall structure along with the semantics associated for each respective key. The format is described to support other implementations, aiming to reuse the format and ensuring the interoperability with the existing MISP software and other Threat Intelligence Platforms.

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This standard describes the **MISP object** template format which describes a simple JSON format to represent the various templates used to construct MISP objects. A **public directory of common MISP object templates and relationships** is available and relies on the MISP object reference format.

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SIGHTING DB FORMAT

This standard describes the format used by SightingDB to give automated context to a given Attribute by **counting occurrences and tracking times of observability**. SightingDB was designed to provide to MISP and other tools an interoperable, scalable and fast way to store and retrieve attributes sightings.

INTERNET-DRAFT - IETF FOR MISP FORMATS AND MISP STANDARD

- If you want to contribute to our IETF Internet-Draft for the MISP standard, misp-rfc¹ is the repository where to contribute.
- **Update only the markdown file**, the XML and ASCII for the IETF I-D are automatically generated.
- If a major release or updates happen in the format, we will publish the I-D to the IETF².
- The process is always MISP implementation \rightarrow IETF I-D updates.
- Then published standards in misp-standard.org.

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MISP CLI

AUTOMATE ALL THE THINGS

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MISP CLI FUNCTIONALITIES

- The MISP API is great for remotely executing administrative tasks
- But sometimes we want to simplify the process / avoid having to deal with authentication
- MISP also has an extensive CLI sub-system for this reason

Types of objectives for the scripts

- Automating recurring tasks
- Recovery from loss of access
- Updates / initialisation
- Background worker management

CLI DOCUMENTATION

Administering the background workers via the API.

https://path.to.your.misp/events/automation

You can start/stop and view the bacground workers via the API. Add worker: http://localhost:5001/servers/startWorker/[queue name] Stop worker: http://localhost:5001/servers/stopWorker/[worker_pid] Get worker info: http://localhost:5001/servers/getWorkers Administering MISP via the CLI Certain administrative tasks are exposed to the API, these help with maintaining and configuring MISP in an automated way / via external tools.: Get Setting: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin getSetting [setting] Set Setting: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin setSetting [setting] [value] Get Authkey: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin getAuthkey [email] Set Baseurl: MIS app/Console/cake Baseurl [baseurl] Change Password: MISP/app/Console/cake Password [email] [new password] [--override password change] Clear Bruteforce Entries: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin clearBruteforce [user_email] Run Database Undate: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateDatabase Update All JSON Structures: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateJSON Update Galaxy Definitions: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateGalaxies Update Taxonomy Definitions: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateTaxonomies Update Object Templates: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateObjectTemplates Update Warninglists: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateWarningLists

USAGE

/var/www/MISP/app/Console/cake [Shell] [Command]
[parameters]

- Example:
 - /var/www/MISP/app/Console/cake Password
 "andras.iklody@gmail.com" "Nutella"
 - ► Change password to "Nutella" for my user
 - Some shells are single use and don't need a command parameter
- Also used by the background processing
- Automation is meant to be used via cron jobs

AUTOMATION VIA CRONTAB

- Edit crontab of www-data user
- crontab -u www-data -e
- 0 3,9,15,21 * * *
 /var/www/MISP/app/Console/cake Server pull 1
 30 full
- Pull server ID #30 as user #1 every 6 hours
- @hourly /var/www/MISP/app/Console/cake Server cacheFeed 1 csv full
- Cache all csv feeds as user #1 every hour

MISP DEPLOYMENT

SOME BASIC GUIDELINES

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MISP DEPLOYMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- **Deployment types**
- **Distro** choice
- **■** Hardware specs
- **■** Authentication
- Other considerations **settings**, **gotchas**

DEPLOYMENT TYPES

- Native install
 - ► Manual
 - ➤ One liner script INSTALL.sh https://github.com/MISP/MISP/tree/2.4/INSTALL
- MISP VM https://www.circl.lu/misp-images/latest/
- Docker
- RPM maintained by SWITCH https://github.com/amuehlem/MISP-RPM
- Cloud provider images https://github.com/MISP/misp-cloud

DOCKER OPTIONS

- CoolAcid's MISP images https://github.com/coolacid/docker-misp
- MISP-docker by XME https://github.com/MISP/misp-docker
- docker-misp by Harvard security
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DISTRO OPTIONS

- Ubuntu 20.04 (18.04 will also work)
 - Our target platform
 - ▶ Our CI target
 - ► Use this unless you are absolutely forced not to
 - ► This is the platform we can support you with!

CentOS 7

- ► Annoying to operate
- Less tested, though used by many
- CentOS is going away. Consider other options

■ RHEL 7

- Same annoyance as CentOS in general
- We test against CentOS in general, some assembly may be required

HARDWARE SPECS

- No firm recommendations, it's highly usage dependent
- It's better to go a bit over what you need than under
- SSDs are massively beneficial
- Let's look at what affects specs and some sample configurations

HARDWARE CONSIDERATIONS

- What are the factors that can impact my performance?
 - Clustering of the data (how many datapoints / event?) (RAM, disk speed)
 - Correlation (RAM, disk speed, disk space)
 - Consider blocking overtly correlating values from doing so
 - Feed ingestion strategy is crucial
 - Over-contextualisation (RAM, disk speed)
 - Tag/attach galaxies to the event instead of each attribute when possible

HARDWARE CONSIDERATIONS - CONTINUES

- What are the factors that can impact my performance?
 - Number of users that are active at any given time (RAM, CPU, disk speed)
 - Logging strategy (Disk space)
 - ► API users especially with heavy searches (substring searches for example) (RAM, CPU, Disk speed)

HARDWARE CONSIDERATIONS - CONTINUES

- What are the factors that generally do **NOT** impact my performance as much as expected?
 - ► Warninglist usage
 - Number of raw attributes on the instance
 - Number of sync connections / recurring syncs (with measure)
 - ► Tools feeding off the automation channels (ZMQ, kafka, syslog)

AUTHENTICATION OPTIONS

- Username/password is the default
- Some built in modules by 3rd parties (LDAP, Shibboleth, x509, OpenID, Azure Active Directory)
- CustomAuth system for more flexibility
- Additionally, consider Email OTP

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS - TUNING

- PHP tuning
 - Maximum memory usage (per process)
 - ► Timeout settings
 - ► Consider setting it per role!
 - ► Background processes are exempt
- MySQL: key buffer size is important
- Generally, tune for few heavy requests rather than many light ones

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS - HIGH AVAILABILITY

- Clustering
 - ► Load balanced apache servers with MISP
 - Replicating / mirrored database backends
- Careful about session pinning
- Attachment storage can be abstracted / network attached
- An example implementation for AWS https://github.com/oxtf/HAMISPA

An Introduction to Workflows in MISP

MISP - THREAT SHARING

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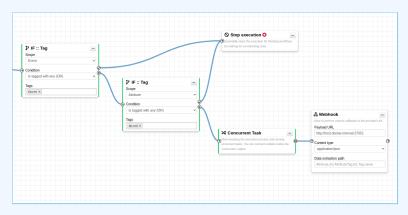
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CONTENT OF THE PRESENTATION

- MISP Workflows fundamentals
- Getting started
- Design of the system & how it can be extended



WHAT PROBLEMS ARE WE TRYING TO TACKLE

1 GEEKMEEK

- Initial idea came during GeekWeek7.5¹
- Needs:
 - Prevent default MISP behaviors
 - ► Hook specific actions to run callbacks
- Use-cases:
 - Prevent publication of events not meeting some criterias
 - Prevent querying thrid-party services (e.g. virustotal) with sensitive information
 - Send notifications in a chat rooms
 - And much much more..

¹Workshop organized by the Canadian Cyber Center

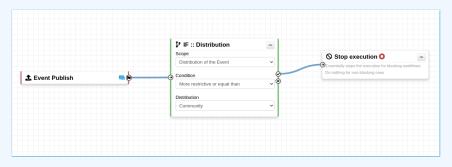
Workflow - Fundamentals

SIMPLISTIC OVERVIEW OF A WORKFLOW IN ACTION

- 1. An action happens in MISP
- 2. If there is an enabled Workflow for that action, run it
- 3. If all went fine, MISP **continue** to perform the action
 - The operation can potentially be cancelled by blocking modules

TERMINOLOGY

- workflow: Sequence of all operations (nodes) to be executed. Basically the whole graph.
- **execution path**: A path composed of nodes
- **trigger**: Starting point of a workflow. Triggers are called when specific actions happen in MISP
 - A trigger can only have one workflow and vice-versa



WORKFLOW EXECUTION PROCESS

Typical execution process:

- 1. An action happens in MISP
- 2. The workflow associated to the trigger is ran
- 3. Execution result?
 - success: Continue the action
 - ► failure | blocked: Cancel the action

Example for Event publish:

- 1. An Event is about to be published
- MISP executes the workflow listening to the event-publish trigger
 - success: Continue the publishing action
 - ► failure | blocked: Stop publishing and log the reason

BLOCKING AND NON-BLOCKING WORKFLOWS

Currently 2 types of workflows:

- **Blocking**: Completion of the action can be prevented
 - ► If a **blocking module** blocks the action
 - ► If a **blocking module** raises an exception
- Non-blocking: Workflow execution outcome has no impact
 - Blocking modules can still stop the execution

EXECUTION CONTEXT

- Workflows can be triggered by **any users**
- Workflows can be triggered by actions done via the UI or API
- However, the user for which the workflow executes has:
 - ► The site-admin permission
 - ► Is from the MISP.host_org_id
- Ensures data is processed regardless of ownership and access: no ACL

CLASSES OF WORKFLOW MODULES



3 classes of modules

- **action**: Allow to executes functions, callbacks or scripts
 - Can stop execution
 - e.g. Webhook, block the execution, perform enrichments, ...
- logic: Allow to redirect the execution flow.
 - ► IF condition, fork the blocking execution into a non-blocking one, ...
- blueprint: Allow to reuse composition of modules
 - Can save subworkflows and its module's configuration

Sources of Workflow modules

3 sources of action modules

- Built-in **default** modules
 - ► Part of the MISP codebase
 - app/Model/WorkflowModules/action/[module_name].php
- User-defined **custom** modules
 - ► Written in PHP
 - Can extend existing default modules
 - Can use MISP's built-in functionalities (restsearch, enrichment, push to zmg, ...)
 - Faster and easier to implement new complex behaviors
 - app/Lib/WorkflowModules/action/[module_name].php

Sources of Workflow modules

3 sources of action modules

- Modules from the enrichment service
 - ► **Default** and **custom** modules
 - ► From the *misp-module* misp-module misp-module
 - ► Written in Python
 - Can use any python libraries
 - ► New *misp-module* module type: action

ightarrow Both the PHP and Python systems are **plug-and-play**

TRIGGERS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

Currently 8 triggers can be hooked. 3 being blocking.

Trigger name	Scope	Trigger overhead	Description	Run counter	Blocking Workflow	MISP Core format	Workflow ID	Last Update	Enabled	Actions
Attribute After Save	attribute	high 🕢	This trigger is called after an Attribute has been saved in the database	58	×	~	160	2022-07-29 06:58:11	~	■ ∳⊞⊛
* Enrichment Before Query	others	low	This trigger is called just before a query against the enrichment service is done	841	~	~	162	2022-07-29 08:32:32	~	■∲⊞⊕
Event After Save	event	medium 😯	This trigger is called after an Event has been saved in the database	11	×	~	175	2022-07-29 08:37:23	~	■ ♦⊞⊛
₫ Event Publish	event	low	This trigger is called just before a MISP Event starts the publishing process	1	~	~	180	2022-07-29 12:14:10	~	■∲⊞⊕
& Object After Save	object	high 🕖	This trigger is called after an Object has been saved in the database	35	×	~	161	2022-07-28 13:59:37	×	▶⋫⊞⊛
● Post After Save	post	low	This trigger is called after a Post has been saved in the database	36	×	×	176	2022-07-28 13:59:51	~	■∲ ⊞ ⊕
🏖 User After Save	user	low	This trigger is called after a user has been saved in the database	55	×	×	159	2022-07-28 14:00:03	•	■\$##
♣+ User Before Save	user	low	This trigger is called just before a user is save in the database	42	~	×	158	2022-07-28 14:00:32	~	■ ∳⊞⊕

WORKFLOW - GETTING STARTED

GETTING STARTED WITH WORKFLOWS (1)

Review MISP settings:

- Make sure MISP.background_jobs is turned on
- 2. Make sure workers are up-and-running and healthy
- 3. Turn the setting Plugin.Workflow_enable on



4. [optional:misp-module] Turn the setting Plugin.Action_services_enable on



GETTING STARTED WITH WORKFLOWS (2)

If you wish to use action modules from misp-module, make sure to have:

- The latest update of misp-module
 - ► There should be an action_mod module type in misp-modules/misp_modules/modules
- Restarted your misp-module application

```
# This command should show all 'action' modules

2 $ curl —s http://127.0.0.1:6666/modules | \

3 jq '.[] | select(.meta."module—type"[] | contains("action")) |

4 {name: .name, version: .meta.version}'
```

GETTING STARTED WITH WORKFLOWS (3)

- 1. Go to the list of modules
 - ► Administration > Workflows > List Modules
 - ► or/workflows/moduleIndex
- 2. Make sure **default** modules are loaded
- [optional:misp-module] Make sure misp-module modules are loaded

CREATING A WORKFLOW WITH THE EDITOR

- 1. Go to the list of triggers Administration > Workflows
- Enable and edit a trigger from the list
- 3. Drag an action module from the side panel to the canvas
- 4. From the trigger output, drag an arrow into the action's input (left side)
- 5. Execute the action that would run the trigger and observe the effect!

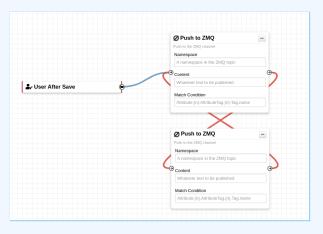




WORKING WITH THE EDITOR

Operations not allowed:

- Execution loop are not authorized
 - Current caveat: If an action re-run the workflow in any way



WORKING WITH THE EDITOR

Operations not allowed:

- Multiple connections from the same output
 - Execution order not guaranted and confusing for users



WORKING WITH THE EDITOR

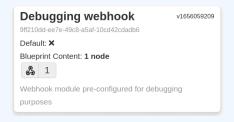
Operations showing a warning:

- Blocking modules after a concurrent tasks module
- Blocking modules in a non-blocking workflow



WORKFLOW BLUEPRINTS

- 1. Blueprints allow to re-use parts of a workflow in another one
- 2. Blueprints can be saved, exported and shared

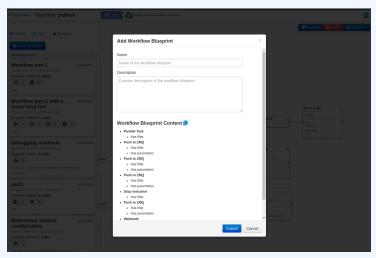


Blueprints origins:

- From the "official" misp-workflow-blueprints repository
- 2. Created or imported by users

WORKFLOW BLUEPRINTS: CREATE

Select one or more modules to be saved as blueprint then click on the save blueprint button



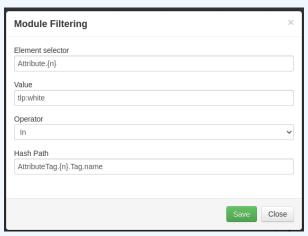
HASH PATH FILTERING

Some modules have the possibility to filter or check conditions using CakePHP's path expression.



MODULE FILTERING

- Some action modules accept filtering conditions
- E.g. the enrich-event module will only perform the enrichment on Attributes having a tlp:white Tag



DATA FORMAT IN WORKFLOWS



- All triggers will inject data in a workflow
- In some cases, there is no format (e.g. User after-save)
- In others, the format is compliant with the MISP Core format
- In addition to the RFC, the passed data has additional properties
 - Attributes are always encapsulated in the Event or Object
 - Additional key _AttributeFlattened
 - Additional key _allTags
 - Additional key inherited for Tags

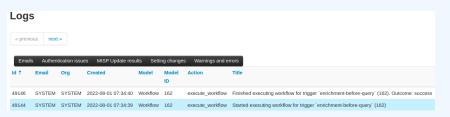
LOGIC MODULE: CONCURRENT TASK

- Special type of logic module allowing multiple connections
- Allows breaking the execution flow into a concurrent tasks to be executed later on by a background worker
- As a side effect, blocking modules cannot cancel ongoing operations



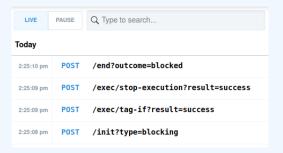
DEBUGGING WORKFLOWS: LOG ENTRIES

- Workflow execution is logged in the application logs:
 - ► /admin/logs/index
- Or stored on disk in the following file:
 - ► /app/tmp/logs/workflow-execution.log
- Use the webhook-listener.py tool
 - ► /app/tools/misp-workflows/webhook-listener.py



DEBUGGING WORKFLOWS: DEBUG MODE

- The The Debug Mode: On can be turned on for each workflows
- Each nodes will send data to the provided URL
 - ► Configure the setting: Plugin.Workflow_debug_url
- Result can be visualized in
 - ▶ **offline**: tools/misp-workflows/webhook-listener.py
 - ▶ online: requestbin.com or similar websites



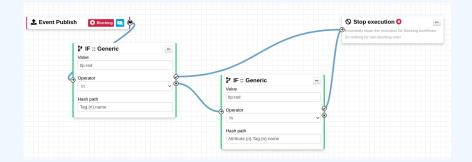
LEARNING BY EXAMPLES

WORKFLOW EXAMPLE 1



- 1. The Event-Publish trigger uses the MISP core format
- 2. The IF::Tag module checks if at least one of the Attribute has the tlp:white tag
- 3. If it does, the Push-to-ZMQ module will be executed

WORKFLOW EXAMPLE 2



■ If an event has the tlp:red tag or any of the attribute has it, the publish process will be cancelled

EXTENDING THE SYSTEM

CREATING A NEW MODULE IN PHP

- app/Lib/WorkflowModules/action/[module_name].php
- Module configuration are defined as public variables
- The exec function has to be implemented.
 - ► If it returns **true**, execution will proceed
 - ► If it returns false
 - And the module is blocking, the execution will stop and the operation will be blocked

CREATING A NEW MODULE IN PYTHON

- Module configuration are defined in the moduleinfo and moduleconfig variables
- The handler function has to be implemented.
- Blocking logic is the same as other modules

MISP Concepts Cheat sheet

Glossary

Correlations: Links created automatically whenever an Attribute is created or modified. They allow interconnection between Events based on their attributes.

Correlation Engine: Is the system used by MISP to create correlations between Attribute 's value. It currently supports strict string comparison, SSDEEP and CDIR blocks matches.

Caching: Is the process of *fetching* data from a MISP instance or feed but only storing hashes of the collected values for correlation and look-up purposes.

Delegation: Act of transfering the ownership of an Event to another organisation while hidding the original creator, thus providing anonymity.

Deletion (hard/soft): Hard deletion is the act of removing the element from the system; it will not perform revocation on other MISP instances. Soft deletion is the act flagging an element as deleted and propagating the revocation among the network of connected MISP instances.

Extended Event: Event that extends an existing Event , providing a combined view of the data contained in both Events . The owner of the extending Event is the organisation that created the extension. This allows anyone to extend any Events and have total control over them.

Galaxy Matrix: Matrix derived from Galaxy Clusters belonging to the same Galaxy. The layout (pages and columns) is defined at the Galaxy level and its content comes from the Galaxy Clusters meta-data themselves.

Indicators: Attribute containing a pattern that can be used to detect suspicious or malicious activity. These Attributes usually have their to_ids flag enabled.

Orgc / **Org:** Creator Organisation (**Orgc**) is the organisation that created the data and the one allowed to modify it. Owner Organisation (**Org**) is the organisation owning the data on a given instance and is allowed to view it regardless of the distribution level. The two are not necessarily the same.

Publishing: Action of declaring that an **Event** is ready to be synchronised. It may also send e-mail notifications and makes it available to some export formats.

Pulling: Action of using a user on a remote instance to fetch the accessible data and storing it locally.

Pushing: Action of using an uplink connection via a *sync. user* to send data to a remote instance.

Synchronisation: Is the exchange of data between two (or more) MISP instances throught the pull or push mechanisms.

Sync. filtering rule: Can be applied on a synchronisation link for both the *pull* and *push* mechanisms to block or allow data to be transferred.

Sync. User: Special role of a user granting additional sync permissions. The recommanded way to setup *push* synchronisation is to use *sync users*.

Proposals: Are a mechanism to propose modications to the creating organisations (**Orgc**). If a path of connected MISP instances exists, the **Proposal** will be synchronised allowing the creator to accept or discard it.

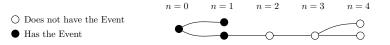
Distribution

Controls who can see the data and how it should be synchronised.

Organisation only: Only members of your organisation

This community: Organisations on this MISP instance

Connected Communities: Organisations on this MISP instance and those on MISP instances synchronising with this one. Upon receiving data, the distribution will be downgraded to This community to avoid further propagation. $(n \le 1)$



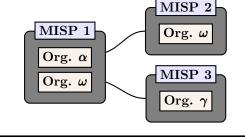
All Communities: Anyone having access. Data will be freely propagated in the network of connected MISP instances. $(n = \infty)$



Sharing Groups: Distribution list that exhaustively keeps track of which organisations can access the data and how it should be synchronised.

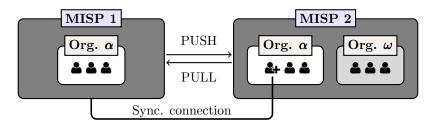
Sharing Group configuration		
Organisations	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Org. } \alpha \\ \text{Org. } \omega \\ \text{Org. } \gamma \end{array}$	
Instances*	MISP 1 MISP 2 MISP 3	

*Or enable roaming mode instead



Synchronisation

The act of sharing where everyone can be a consumer and/or a producer. A one way synchronisation link between two MISP instances. Organisation α created a sync user \clubsuit on MISP 2 and noted down the generated API Key. A synchronisation link can be created on MISP 1 using the API Key and the organisation of the sync user. At that point, MISP 1 can pull data from MISP 2 and push data to MISP 2.



MISP Data Model Cheat Sheet

- Context such as Taxonomies or Galaxy Clusters can be attached to the element
- Has a distribution level

∠ Event



Encapsulations for contextually linked information.

Purpose: Group datapoints and context together. Acting as an envelop, it allows setting distribution and sharing rules for itself and its children.

Usecase: Encode incidents/events/reports/...

- ▶ Events can contain other elements such as Attributes , MISP Objects and Event Reports .
- ▶ The distribution level and any context added on an Event (such as Taxonomies) are propagated to its underlying data.

Attribute



Basic building block to share information.

Purpose: Individual data point. Can be an indicator or supporting data.

Usecase: Domain, IP, link, sha1, attachment, ...

- ▶ Attributes cannot be duplicated inside the same Event and can have Sightings .
- ▶ The difference between an indicator or supporting data is usualy indicated by the state of the attribute's to_ids flag.

& MISP Object



Advanced building block providing Attribute compositions via templates.

Purpose: Groups Attributes that are intrinsically linked together.

Usecase: File, person, credit-card, x509, device, ...

- \blacktriangleright MISP Objects have their attribute compositions described in their respective template. They are instanciated with Attributes and can Reference other Attributes or MISP Objects .
- ▶ MISP is not required to know the template to save and display the object. However, *edits* will not be possible as the template to validate against is unknown.

$^{ m imes}$ Object Reference



Relationships between individual building blocks.

Purpose: Allows to create relationships between entities, thus creating a graph where they are the edges and entities are the nodes.

Usecase: Represent behaviours, similarities, affiliation, . . .

▶ References can have a textual relationship which can come from MISP or be set freely.

Sightings



Means to convey that an Attribute has been seen.

Purpose: Allows to add temporality to the data. **Usecase**: Record activity or occurence, perform IoC expiration, . . .

▶ Sightings are the best way to express that something has been seen. They can also be used to mark false positives.

Event Report



Advanced building block containing formated text.

Purpose: Supporting data point to describe events or processes.

Usecase: Encode reports, provide more information about the Event , \dots

▶ Event Reports are markdown-aware and include a special syntax to reference data points or context.

Proposals



Clone of an Attribute containing information about modification to be done.

Purpose: Allow the correction or the creation of Attributes for Events your organisation does not own.

Usecase: Disable the IDS flag, Correct errors

▶ As Proposals are sync., if the creator organisation is connected to the MISP instance from where the Proposal has been created, it will be able to either accept or discard it.

\mathcal{T} Taxonomies

Machine and human-readable labels standardised on a common set of vocabularies.

Purpose: Enable efficient classification globally understood, easing consumption and automation.

Usecase: Provide classification such as: TLP, Confidence, Source, Workflows, Event type, ...

 \blacktriangleright Even though MISP allows the creation of free-text tags, it's always preferable to use those coming from Taxonomies , if they exists.

(1) Galaxies

Act as a container to group together context described in Galaxy Clusters by their type.

Purpose: Bundle Galaxy Clusters by their type to avoid confusion and to ease searches.

Usecase: Bundle types: Exploit-Kit, Preventive Measures, ATT&CK, Tools, Threat-actors, ...

Galaxies Clusters



Kownledge base items used as tags with additional complex meta-data aimed for human consumption.

Purpose: Enable description of complex high-level information for classification.

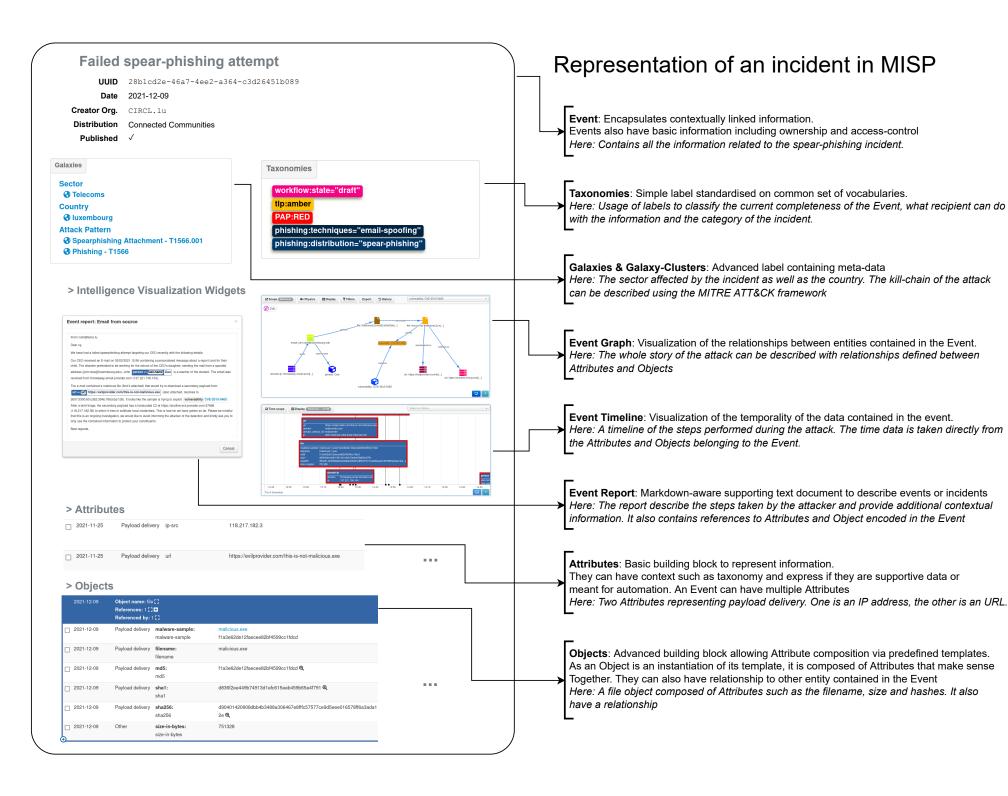
Usecase: Extensively describe elements such as: threat actors, countries, technique used, ...

- ightharpoonup Galaxy Clusters can be seen as an enhanced Taxonomy as they can have meta-data and relationships with other Galaxy Clusters .
- \blacktriangleright Any Galaxy Clusters can contain the following:
 - Cluster Elements: Key-Value pair forming the meta-data.

Example: Country:LU, Synonym:APT28, Currency:Dollar, refs:https://*,

• Cluster Relations (♠ ⇄ ♥): Enable the creation of relationships between one or more Galaxy Clusters.

Example: Threat actor X is similar to threat actor Y with high-likelyhood.



MISP User & Admin Cheat Sheet

- User -

API

Wildcard searches:

```
POST /attributes/restSearch
{"value": "1.2.3.%"}
```

Or and Negation searches:

```
POST /attributes/restSearch {"tags": ["tlp:white", "!tlp:green"]}
```

And and Negation searches:

```
POST /attributes/restSearch {"tags": {"AND": ["tlp:green", "Malware"], "NOT": ["%ransomware%"]}}
```

Galaxy Cluster metadata searches:

```
POST /attributes/restSearch
{
    "galaxy.synonyms": "APT29",
    "galaxy.cfr-target-category": "Financial sector"
}
```

Attach tags:

```
POST /tags/attachTagToObject
{
    "uuid": "[Could be UUID from Event, Attribute, ...]",
    "tag": "tlp:amber"
}
```

Timestamps:

timestamp: Time of the last modification on the data

- Usecase: Get data was modified in the last t
- E.g.: Last updated data from a feed

publish_timestamp: Time at which the event was published

- Usecase: Get data that arrived in my system since t
- E.g.: New data from a feed

event_timestamp: Used in the Attribute scope

• Usecase: Get events modified in the last t

Usage:

```
{"timestamp": 1521846000}
{"timestamp": "7d"}
{"timestamp": ["2d", "1h"]}
```

Tips & Tricks

Get JSON Representation: Append .json to any URLs to get their content in JSON format. Example: /events/view/42.json

- Admin -

Reset Password

API: POST /users/initiatePasswordReset/[id] {"password": "***"}

CLI: MISP/app/Console/cake Password [email] [password]

Reset Bruteforce login protection

CLI: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin clearBruteforce [email]

Upgrade to the latest version

All in 1-shot: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateMISP Manually:

- 1. cd /var/www/MISP
- 2. git pull origin 2.4
- 3. git submodule update --init --recursive
- 4. MISP/app/Console/cake Admin updateJSON
- 5. Check live update progress GET /servers/updateProgress

Workers

Restart All: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin restartWorkers

Add: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin startWorker [queue]

Stop: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin stopWorker [pid]

Settings

Get: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin getSetting [setting]

Set: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin setSetting [setting] [value]

Base URL: MISP/app/Console/cake Baseurl [baseurl]

Miscellaneous

Clean Caches: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin cleanCaches

Get IPs For User ID: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin UserIP [user_id]

Get User ID For User IP: MISP/app/Console/cake Admin IPUser [ip]

Documentation: /events/automation Logs files location: MISP/app/tmp/logs

User

Check	Description	Length
	Add events	
	- via Standard UI	
	- Distribution levels and publication	
	- Different timestamps & publish_timestamp	
	Add attributes	
	- Freetext	
	- Standard UI	
	- Template	
	- ReST API	
	- via EventGraph	
	Object	
	- add Object	
	- add References	
	- show via EventGraph	
	*-lists	
	- Warninglists: show warnings raised in steps above	
	- Noticelists: show warnings when adding data	
	- Import Regexp: avoid leaking private/personal data	
	Correlations	
	- show correlations that were added	
	- pivot to events via correlations	
	- show correlations graph	
	- feeds & servers correlation	
	Tags and Galaxies	
	- Tag from Taxonomy	
	- GalaxyCluster	
	- ATT&CK pattern & Galaxy matrix	
	- Tag Collection	
	Sighting	
	- via UI & API	
	Delegation	
	Proposal	
	Delete (including soft versus hard delete)	
	- Event blocklist when deleting	
	Extending event (how and when to use it)	
	Exporting data	
	- download from	
	- download from via modules	
	json routing	
	- RestSearch	
	Searching for data	
	- Attribute search	
	- Event index filter search	
	Advanced features	
	- Event graph, Event timeline, Event report	
	- Decaying of IoC	
	- Galaxy 2.0	
	Enrichments	
	- Hover & persistent	

Administrator (Community)

Check	Description	Length
	Organisations	10m
	- local and remote	
	- administration: Creation and merge	
	User	5m
	- administration and contact via standard UI	
	- Pasword/Auth key reset	
	- Disabling (never remove)	
	Roles and permissions	3m
	- Constraints & special sync-user	
	Sharing group	10m
	- administration via standard UI	
	Block listing	3m
	- Events & Organisations	
	Synchronisation	35m
	- MISP to MISP (sync_user, test & preview, flow control)	
	- Feeds to MISP (Options, overlap)	
	- Pub-Sub	
	Collaboration settings	
	$- `proposal_block_attributes', `sanitise_attribute_on_delete', `Sightings_anonymise'$	
	Templates	
	- administration via standard UI	

Administrator (Instance)

Check	Description	Length
	Advanced Auth keys	3m
	- Migration from old system	
	- Usage	
	Server settings	5m
	Maintenance	15m
	- Updating & release process	
	- Submodules and populate DB	
	- Diagnostic	
	Jobs and Workers	10m
	- Administration via standard UI	
	- Scheduled Tasks and CRON jobs	
	User settings & User management	5m
	- User settings	
	$\hbox{-}\ User\ monitoring,\ self-management,\ auto-registration}\\$	
	Logging & auditing	10m
	- Logs (and purge: event history)	
	- Paranoid, IP & Auth log, Sync audit	
	Troubleshooting	5m
	- Clean cache & DB Schema diagnostic	
	- Stuck workers	
	- Update in progress	
	- Apache logs & workers logs	

MISP Training Slide Decks

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