

Incident Response at Scale

Building a next generation SOC

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Who?



- 15+ years Information Security experience
- Sr. Paranoid, Global IR Lead, Yahoo!
- Co-Founder, VP IR, IL-CERT
- ISACA CSX Task Force
- Licensed Skydiver, 996 jumps

Security Operations Center?



Security Operations Center in real life



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205 days

before detecting a security breach

Mandiant M-Trends® 2015

DATA BREACHES

DATA RECORDS LOST OR STOLEN IN FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2015

245,919,393

ONLY 4% of breaches were "Secure Breaches" where encryption was used and the stolen data was rendered useless.

1,358,671

records lost or stolen
every day



56,611

records
every hour



943

records
every minute



16

records
every second



Majority of any given SOC shift



Why?

File Edit View Window Tools System Help

Navigator
Resources Packages
Showing: All Channels
Active Channels
Logically Active Channels
Shared
All Active Channels
ArcSight Administration
ArcSight Foundation
ArcSight Solutions
ArcSight System
JampChat
LOGbinder
SP
All LOGbinder SP Events (CE, 30s)
Personal
Public
Unassigned

Viewer
Object Activity Summary
SharePoint Audit Snapshot
Audit Flag by User Snapshot
Search Activity
SharePoint Searches Performed (3h)
Security Changes

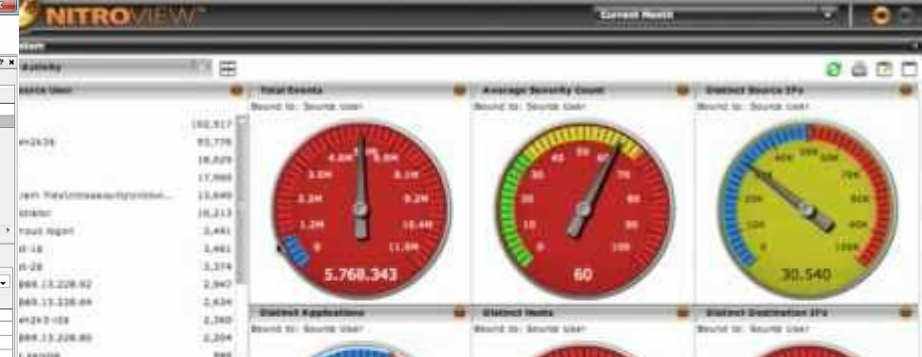
Audit Flag by User Snapshot
Target User Name/Audit Flag Total (Total Legends 21)
System Account/SchemeChange 4793
System Account/View 4066
System Account/Update 490
John Lock/View 138
Richard Lowe/View 135
Richard Lowe/SecurityChange 108
System Account/SecurityChange 105
John Lock/SecurityChange 97
Richard Lowe/Update 71
John Lock/Update 71

Object Activity Snapshot
/SearchRecords/Form/AllItems.aspx(Unknown/View)
/SiteCollectionDocuments/Form/AllItems.aspx(Unknown/View)
/Lists/Tasks/AllItems.aspx(Generic List/View)
_catalogs/Users/_000/Unknown/Update
/Customer Data Library/Form/AllItems.aspx(Unknown/View)
http://sp2010-sp/Web/SecurityChange
Unknown/Unknown/SecurityChange
Shared
Documents/Run_a_custom_report_2011-11-21T192557.xlsx(U
[others])

Event Inspector
Event Details Annotations
Event Name Value
Name Search performed
End Time 14 Aug 2012 11:10:33 MDT
Device Device Event Class ID 24
Device Host Name LOGbinder
Target Target User Name Thomas
Device Custom Device Custom Str... query=

LOGbinder SP Rule Firings
Priority End Time Name Device Host... Target User... Site Attacker Us...
8/14 21:12:57 List or Library Level Audit Polic arch_ess System Acc... http://sp2...
8/14 21:12:56 List or Library Level Audit Polic arch_ess Thomas Sy... http://sp2...
8/14 21:12:35 Possible Tampering Warning LOGbinder...
8/14 21:12:28 List or Library Level Audit Polic arch_ess Richard Lowe http://sp2...
8/14 21:12:27 Audit Policy Changed for Site arch_ess logbinderp http://sp2...
8/14 21:12:32 Possible Tampering Warning LOGbinder...
8/14 21:12:21 Audit Policy Changed for Site arch_ess logbinderp http://sp2...
8/14 21:12:20 Site Collection Administrator A arch_ess System Acc... http://sp2... logbinderp
8/14 21:11:54 Site Collection Administrator A arch_ess System Acc... http://sp2... Jack Striker
8/14 21:11:48 List or Library Level Audit Polic arch_ess System Acc... http://sp2...
8/14 21:11:33 Possible Tampering Warning LOGbinder...
8/14 21:11:32 Site Collection Administrator A arch_ess System Acc... http://sp2... logbinderp
8/14 21:11:56 Possible Tampering Warning LOGbinder...
Data last refreshed 8/14 21:18:58

boards
Executive
Logger Events

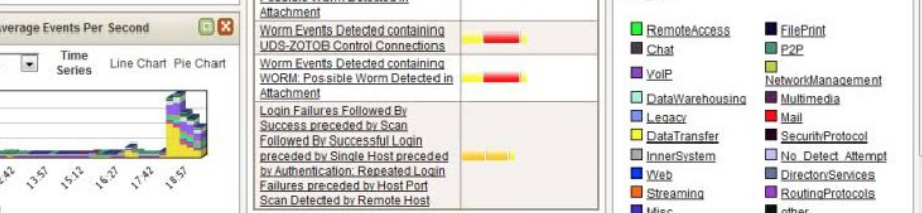


QRadar - Dashboard

Welcome, admin [logout]

Dashboard Offenses Events Assets Resolution Network Surveillance Flows Reports Admin

System Time: 19:27 | Preferences | Help



Triaging a malware event

SIEM Alert

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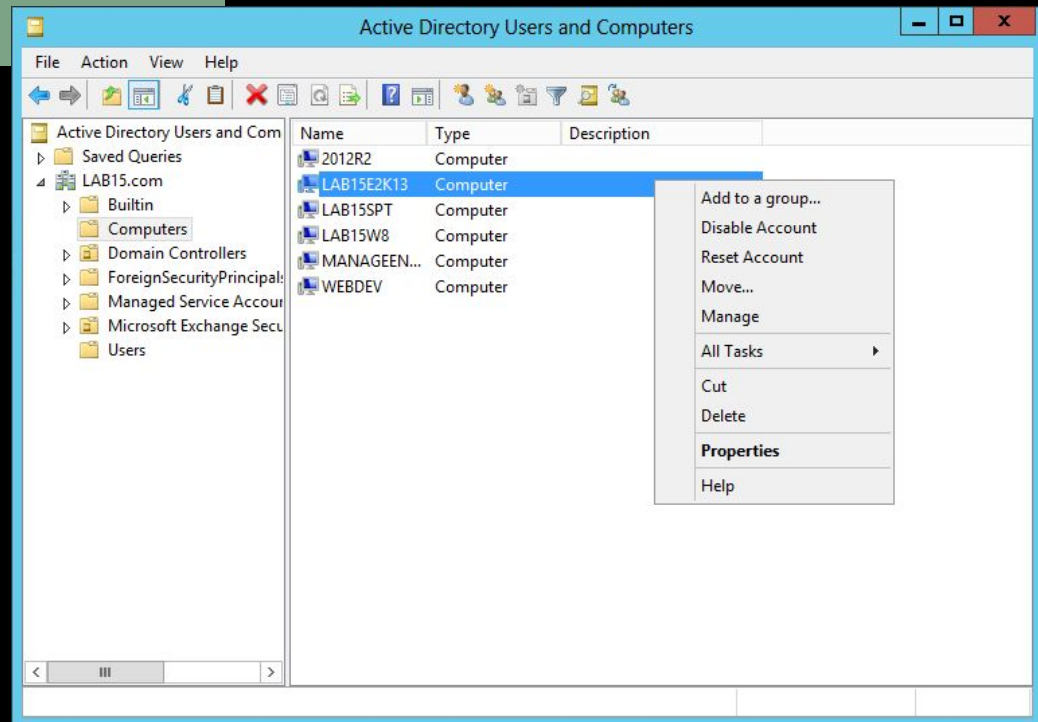
SIEM Alert ->

Analyst collects information



```
20:33:29 [omerc@sisterslow-lm:~] host contoso.com
contoso.com has address 64.4.6.100
contoso.com has address 65.55.39.10
contoso.com mail is handled by 10 mail.global.frontbridge.com.
20:33:33 [omerc@sisterslow-lm:~] █
```

```
omerc — sh — 119x28 — 84
20:33:29 [omerc@sisterslow-lm:~] host contoso.com
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omerc — sh — 119x28 — 864
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contoso.com mail is handled by 10 mail.global.frontbridge.com.
20:33:33 [omerc@sisterslow-lm:~]
```

Active Directory Users and Computers

File Action View Help

Active Directory Users and Com

- ▶ Saved Queries
- ▶ LAB15.com
 - ▶ Builtin
 - ▶ Computers
 - ▶ Domain Controllers

Name	Type	Description
2012R2	Computer	
LAB15E2K13	Computer	
LAB15SPT	Computer	
LAB15W8	Computer	
MANAGEEN...	Computer	
WEBDEV	Computer	

- Add to a group...
- Disable Account
- Reset Account
- Move...
- Manage
- All Tasks ▶
- Cut
- Delete
- Properties
- Help

```
C:\ Command Prompt
D:\>ping -a 76.96.54.12

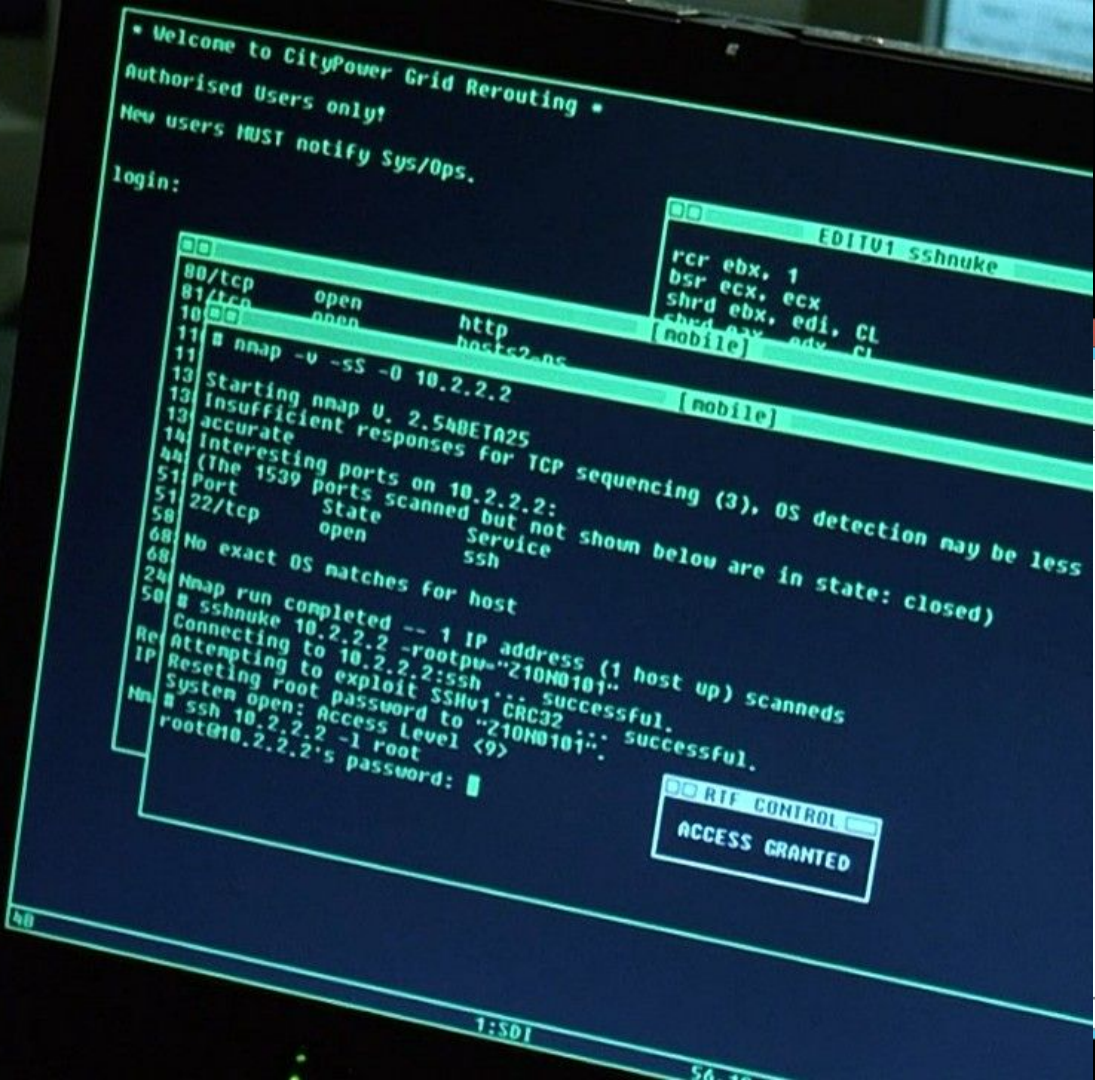
Pinging www4.comcast.net [76.96.54.12] with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 76.96.54.12: bytes=32 time=93ms TTL=51
Reply from 76.96.54.12: bytes=32 time=7ms TTL=51
Reply from 76.96.54.12: bytes=32 time=7ms TTL=51
Reply from 76.96.54.12: bytes=32 time=7ms TTL=51

Ping statistics for 76.96.54.12:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 7ms, Maximum = 93ms, Average = 28ms

D:\>_
```


20:
com
com
com
20:



• Welcome to CityPower Grid Rerouting •
Authorized Users only!
New users MUST notify Sys/Ops.
login:

EDIT01 sshnuke
rcr ebx, 1
bsr ecx, ecx
shrd ebx, edi, CL
shrd eax, edx, CL
[mobile]

80/tcp open http
10.2.2.2 hosts2.nc
11 # nmap -v -sS -O 10.2.2.2
11 Starting nmap V. 2.54BETA25
13 Insufficient responses for TCP sequencing (3), OS detection may be less
13 accurate
14 Interesting ports on 10.2.2.2:
44 (The 1539 ports scanned but not shown below are in state: closed)
51 Port State Service
51 80/tcp open http
58 135/tcp open Service ssh
68 No exact OS matches for host
68
24 Nmap run completed -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned
50 # sshnuke 10.2.2.2 -rootpw="210N0101"
Connecting to 10.2.2.2:ssh ... successful.
Re IP Attempting to exploit SSHv1 CRC32 ... successful.
Resetting root password to "210N0101".
System open: Access Level <9>
ssh 10.2.2.2 -l root
root@10.2.2.2's password: #

RTF CONTROL
ACCESS GRANTED

1:501

56.36

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Analyst understands context

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Analyst classifies incident

Figure 1—Intelligent Workflow

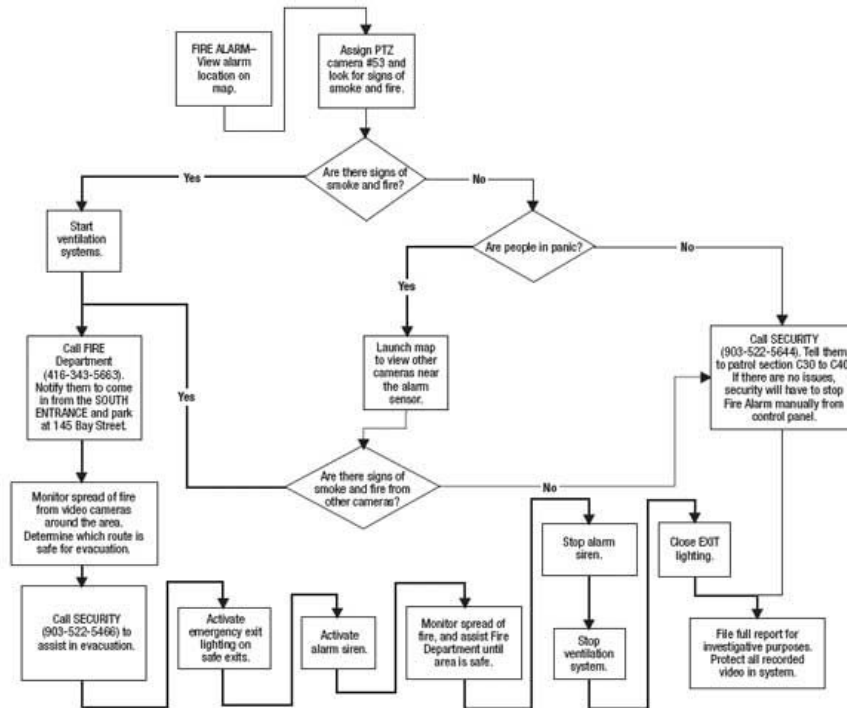


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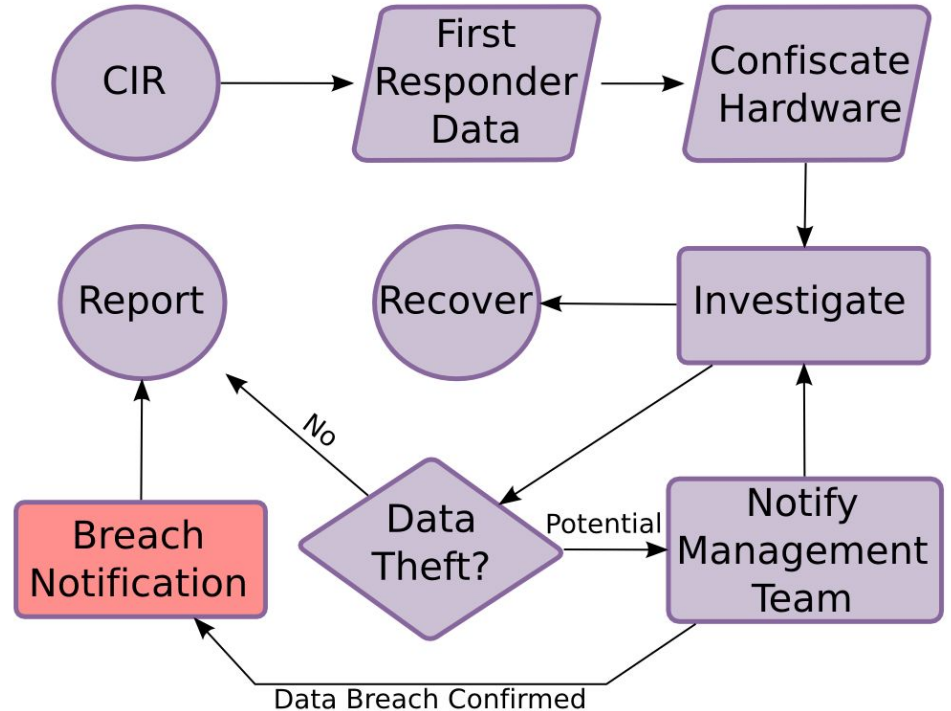
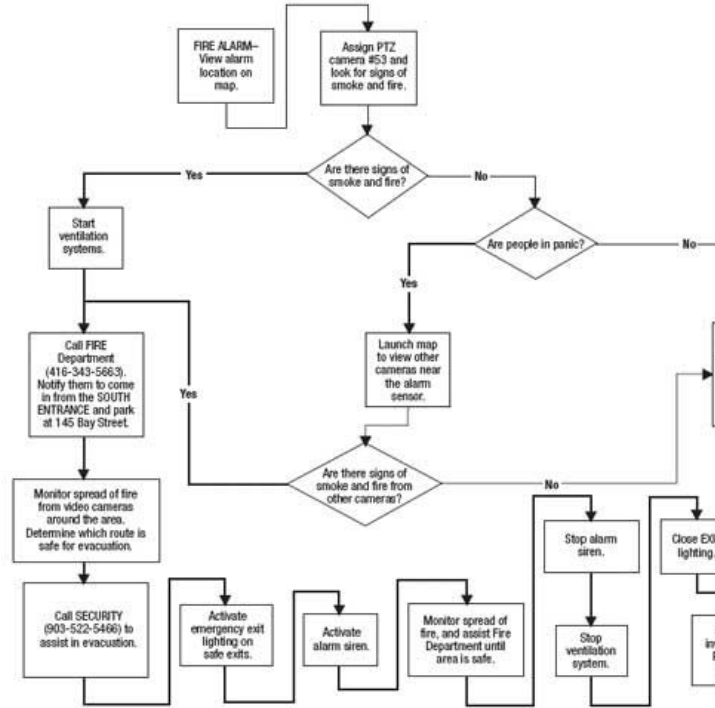
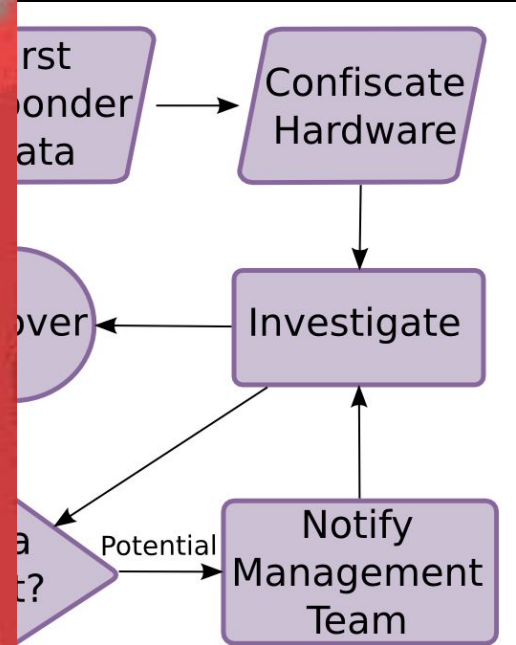
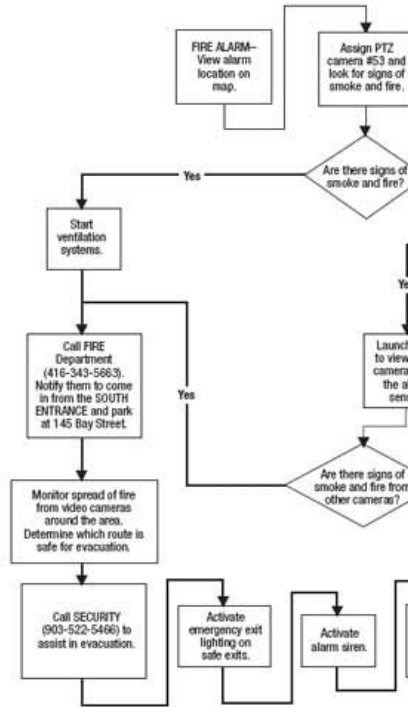


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Data Breach Confirmed

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BMC SERVICE REQUEST MANAGEMENT

Service Request

[Help](#)**Service Request ID** - REQ000000012394

Summary*	ABC	Impact*	4-Minor/Localized	Category 1*	Lifecycle Services
Request Type	Standard	Urgency*	3-Medium	Category 2	RBAC
Notes		Status*	Initiated	Category 3	Information Security
		Status Reason		Reopen	

Requesters SLM Processes and Questions Assignment Approvals Work Info Dates and Costs Details1 Details2

Requested By		Requested For		Location Information	
Company*+	ABC	Company+	ABC	Location Company*+	ABC
First Name*+	Shankar	First Name+	Shankar	Region	XXX
Middle Name		Middle Name		Site Group	XXX
Last Name*+	Masekar	Last Name+	Masekar	Site	XXXX
Phone Number+	###	Phone Number+	###	Address	Pune, India
Email		Email			
Organization	Commercial Sector	Organization	Commercial Sector		
Department		Department			

Save Close View Audit Log

SLA = Required field

Update

Delete



Name: Priority 1 Incident (Paris)

Duration type: User specified duration

Type: SLA

Duration: Days 1 Hours 00 : 00 : 00

Table: Incident [Incident]

Schedule: 8-5 weekdays

Workflow: Default SLA workflow

Timezone: System (America/Los_Angeles)

Retroactive start: ☐

Vendor: Microsoft

Start condition: Advanced

Location is Paris
and Priority is 1 - Critical
and Active is true

Stop condition: Advanced

Active is false

Pause condition: Advanced

State is one of
Active
Awaiting Problem
Awaiting User Info
Awaiting Evidence

Update

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Incident closed

Forensics at Scale?





How?

Incident Response on a tight budget



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Better junior analysts

- Junior Analysts have a steep learning curve
- Company specific play-books
- Senior analysts focus on investigations



Let's automate



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 Follow

OH: I don't have time to automate things because I'm too busy doing things that should be automated..

Automation overkill



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How your team ***SHOULD*** respond to incidents



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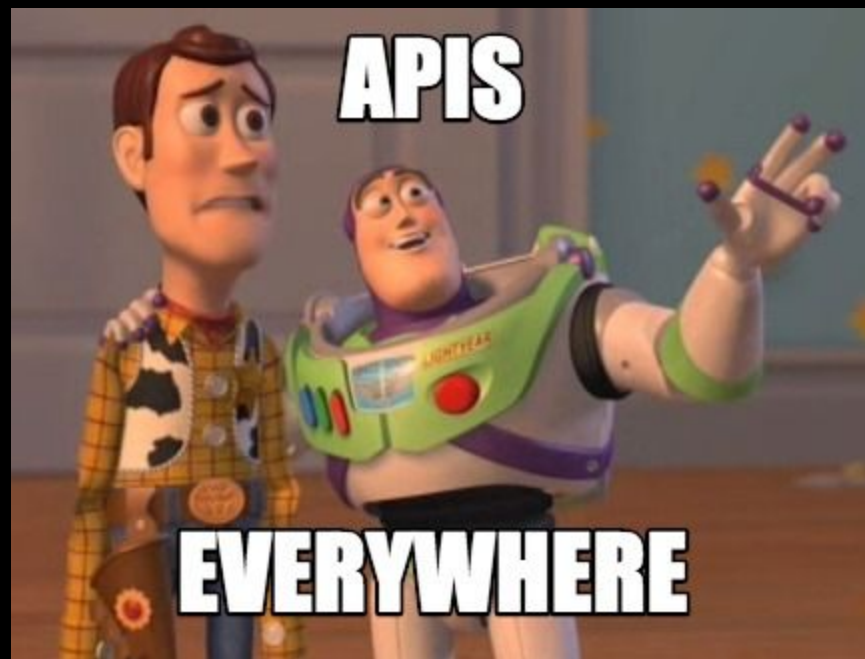
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Integrate APIs into Incident Response

- Endpoint information
 - Host Asset Management
 - HR Systems

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Endpoint information

Host Asset Management

HR Systems

- IOC Lookups
 - Threat Exchange
 - Virus Total
 - IOC Management Systems

ThreatExchange

Learn about threats. Share
threat information back.
Everybody becomes more
secure.

[Apply for the Beta](#)

<https://facebook.com/threatexchange>

```
1 from pytx import ThreatIndicator
2 from pytx.vocabulary import ThreatType as tt
3 from pytx.vocabulary import Types as t
4
5 print ThreatIndicator.objects(threat_type=tt.COMPROMISED_CREDENTIAL,
6                               type_=t.EMAIL_ADDRESS, fields=['indicator', 'passwords'])
```

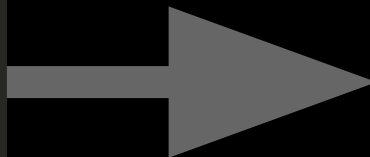
<https://github.com/facebook/ThreatExchange/>

Automatic e-Crime detection?

```
1 {
2   data: [
3     {
4       indicator: "asalas881@gmail.com",
5       added_on: "2015-06-30T06:03:21+0000",
6       id: "911123668926498"
7     },
8     {
9       indicator: "bergmanjonathan@gmail.com",
10      added_on: "2015-06-30T06:03:21+0000",
11      id: "745922858867220"
12    },
13    {
14      indicator: "bizwam@gmail.com",
15      added_on: "2015-06-30T06:03:21+0000",
16      id: "838301019552941"
17    },
18    {
19      indicator: "apurv.jamaiyar@gmail.com",
20      added_on: "2015-06-30T06:03:21+0000",
21      id: "971561682906025"
22    },
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VirusTotal is a free service that **analyzes suspicious files and URLs** and facilitates the quick detection of viruses, worms, trojans, and all kinds of malware.

 File

 URL

 Search

No file selected

Choose File

Maximum file size: 128MB

By clicking 'Scan it!', you consent to our [Terms of Service](#) and allow VirusTotal to share this file with the security community. See our [Privacy Policy](#) for details.

Scan it!


```
>>> import json
>>> import urllib
>>> url = 'https://www.virustotal.com/vtapi/v2/ip-address/report'
>>> parameters = {'ip': '90.156.201.27', 'apikey': '-- YOUR API KEY --'}
>>> response = urllib.urlopen('%s%s' % (url, urllib.urlencode(parameters))).read()
>>> response_dict = json.loads(response)
>>> print response_dict
{'u'response_code': 1,
 u'verbose_msg': u'IP address found in dataset',
 u'resolutions': [
    {u'last_resolved': u'2013-04-08 00:00:00', u'hostname': u'027.ru'},
    {u'last_resolved': u'2013-04-08 00:00:00', u'hostname': u'auto.rema-tiptop.ru'},
    {u'last_resolved': u'2013-04-08 00:00:00', u'hostname': u'catalog24de.ru'},
    {u'last_resolved': u'2013-04-08 00:00:00', u'hostname': u'club.velhod.ru'},
    {u'last_resolved': u'2013-04-08 00:00:00', u'hostname': u'danilova.pro'},
    ... continues ...
 ],
 u'detected_urls': [
    {"url": "http://027.ru/", "positives": 2, "total": 37, "scan_date": "2013-04-07 07:18:09"},
    ... continues ...
 ]}
```

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- Automate the response
 - Open reimage tickets in ITSM
 - Send out incident digest reports

JIRA Service Desk

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service**now**

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Benefits of automation

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- Reduce triage time
- Reduce response time
- Ensure all tasks are completed

Thank you

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