

The MANTIS Framework Cyber-Threat Intelligence Mgmt. for CERTs



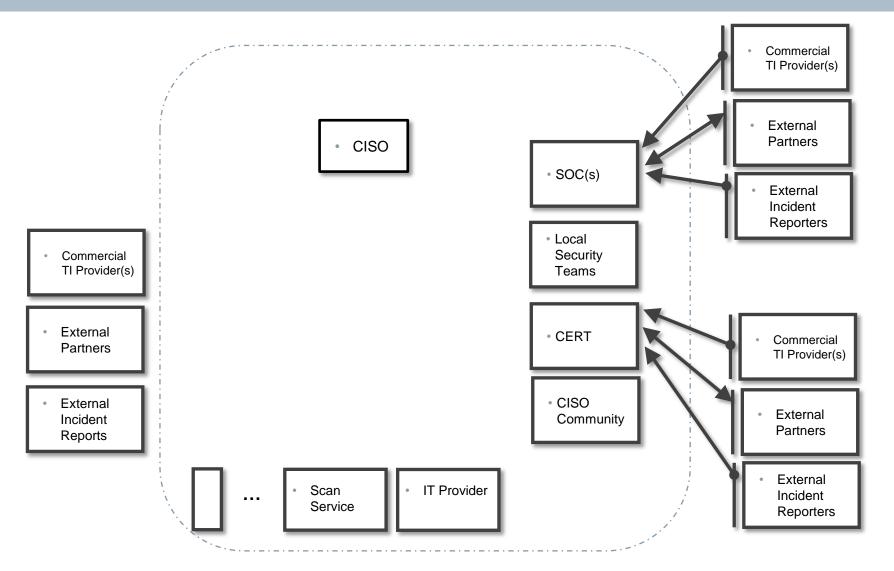
Note

- MANTIS is available as Open Source under GPL v2+ from https://github.com/siemens/django-mantis
- At time of this presentation (2014-06-24), the publicly available revision is MANTIS 0.2.0
- The examples shown in this talk are based on MANTIS 0.3.0
- MANTIS 0.3.0 will be released within the next few weeks:
 - either follow the repository on github
 - or subscribe to the MANTIS mailing list by sending a mail
 to mantis-ti-discussion-join@lists.trusted-introducer.org.

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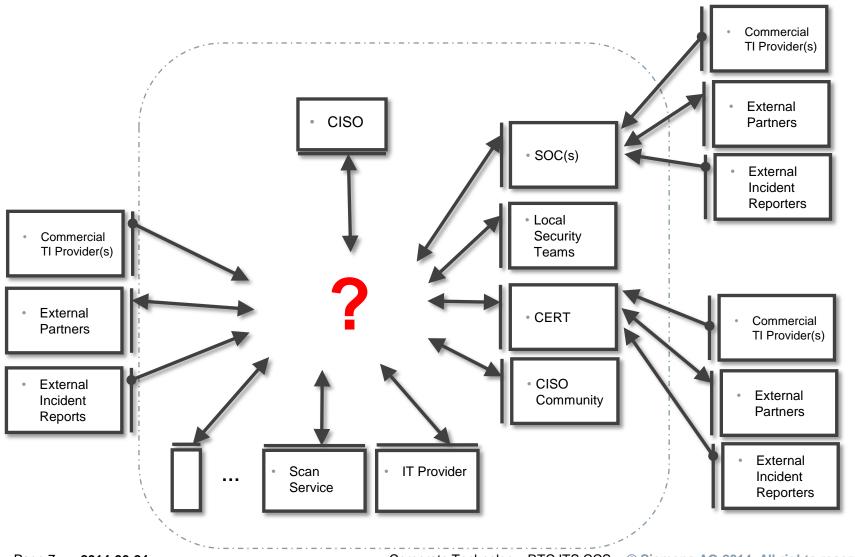


In a big corporation, there are many sources of cyber threat intelligence



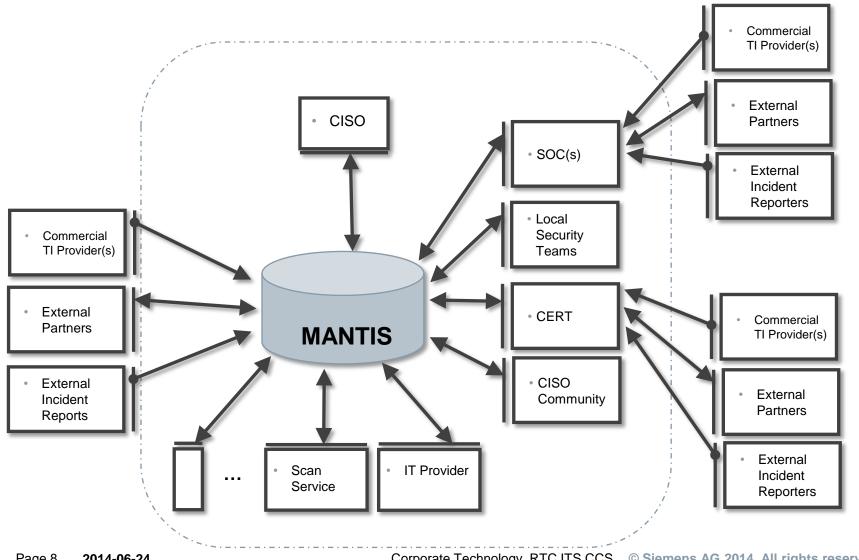


... and we need the full picture!





With MANTIS, we are working towards a tool that provides us with this full picture!



Today, there are several open-source tools that cover aspects of cyber threat intelligence management ... what are their distinguishing features?





MISP

MANTIS

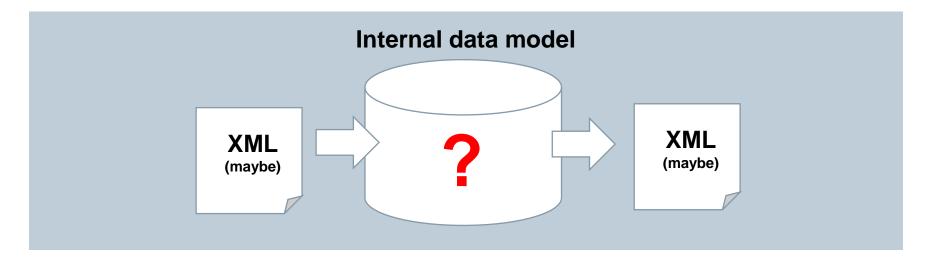


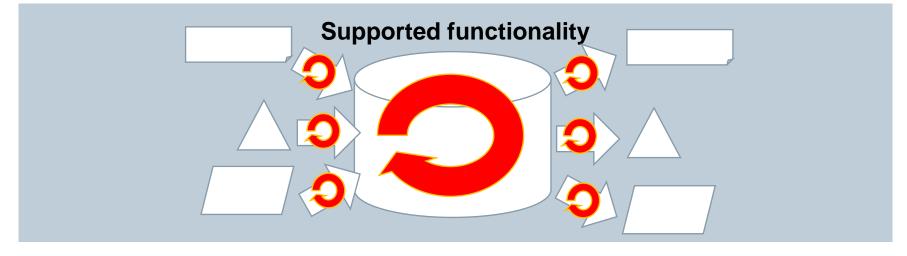
(upcoming fall 2014 as Open Source)





What are the distinguishing features of a cyber threat intelligence management solution?





THE basic design decision when implementing a solution for managing cyber threat intelligence: The internal data model



Genesis

What does your data model look like?

- Home-brew
- Somehow derived from a standard

Distance

• How close is your data model to the (main) exchange standard(s) you are going to utilize?

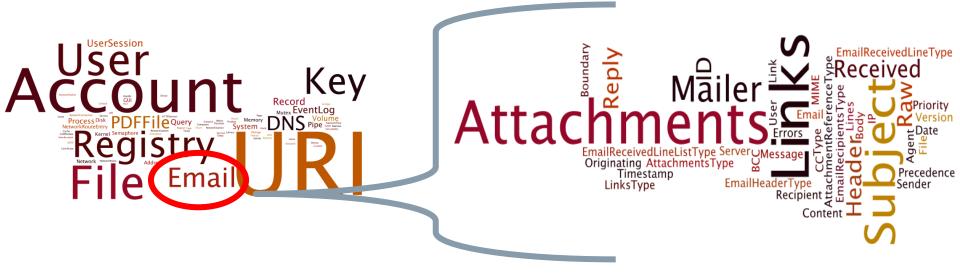
Flexibility

- If the exchange standard allows very flexible usage: does your model, too, or do you narrow things down?
- Can your model cope with moderate revision changes?



Genesis of the internal data model: Arguments against home-brew models

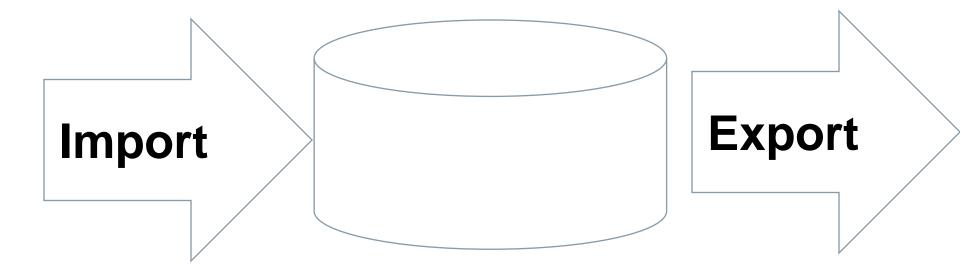
 Homebrew means re-doing work others have already done (and that probably much more thoroughly than you have time for)



 Homebrew necessarily increases "distance" (see next slide)

Implications of <u>"distance"</u> between the exchange standard and your data model: Import and Export





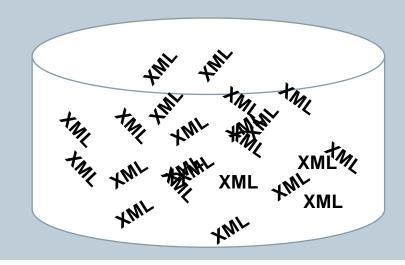
- The further removed your internal data model is, the more you have to work for import and export
- The real problem is the import: what to do with information that cannot be mapped into your internal data model?
 - reject and don't import at all?
 - import partially (as far as it fits your data model?)



Flexibility: two extremes

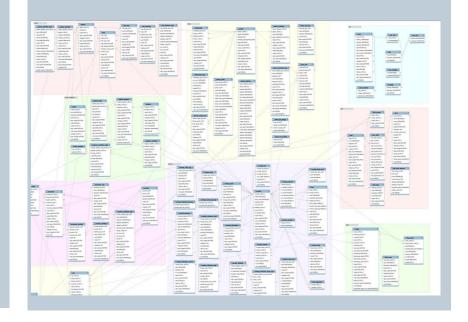
Extremely flexible

 Just dump each file into an XML database (assuming that your main standard is in XML) ...



Rather inflexible

 Create a database model for a given revision of some part of the standard





Implications of <u>flexibility</u>: Processing

- Flexibility eases import, but makes processing more complicated, since you cannot assume that things always look the same:
 - automated mechanisms must be able to deal with different representations of data ... and in all likelihood will fail in some cases
 - visualization/presentation to the user becomes more complicated; your users will require a higher level of expertise regarding the data format
 - export becomes a challenge: you have imported data in revisions X, Y, and Z of a given standard; to what revision can you export?



Our choices for the MANTIS data model

- Genesis: "stand on the shoulders of giants" the data model mirrors the threat intelligence exchanges standards that are relevant to us
- Distance: exchange standards and data model are very close (for details see next few slides)

Flexibility:

- regarding import: the Mantis importer is very forgiving and will import,
 - e.g., different revisions of STIX/CybOX in a sensible way with relatively little effort in adapting the importer to revision changes
 - XML that does quite conform to a standard's XML schema
- regarding the challenges wrt. processing and export: much of this is still future work ... but following the "crawl, walk, run" approach: we are already able to crawl ...



Why do we need maximum tolerance for exchange data formats and their revisions?

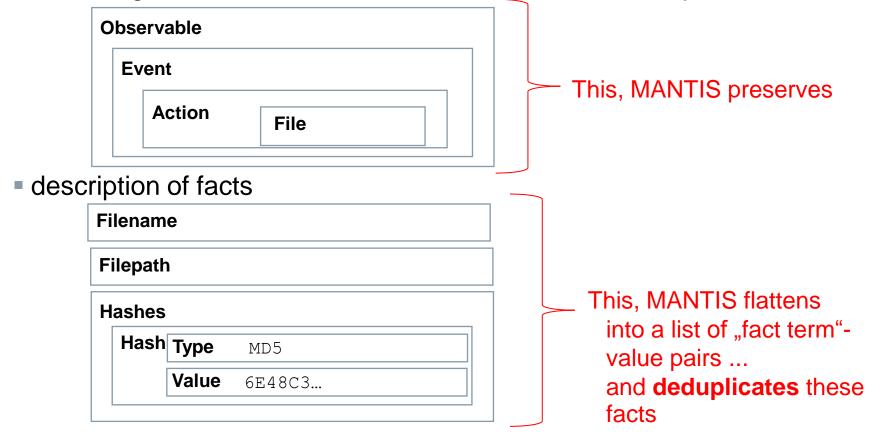
- At the moment, we cannot do without OpenIOC, so a STIX/CybOXexclusive solution will not work. And it looks like we will also start importing the MISP data format ...
 - → need to be able to import several standards
- I bet you that two years, after STIX 3.0 has been released, there will still be persons or tools that keep sending you STIX 1.0.1 ...
 - → need to be able to import different revisions





MANTIS's data model: pretty flexible, but a trying to do a bit more than just dumping XMLs or JSONs

- If you look at STIX and CybOX, you see that XML's hierachical structure is used for two different purposes:
 - modelling of containment relations between different objects





Example: A CybOX Observable XML Source

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Example: Importing a CybOX 2.0 Observable XML Source: Focusing on objects and facts

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     Observed event. An action that creates a file with certain file name, file path and hash
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Example: A CybOX Observable XML Source Defining object boundaries

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                                                                                     action status="Success"
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In the XML, an identifier is provided for each structure that naturally gives rise to an information object of its own.

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Example: A CybOX Observable XML Source Extracting "flat" facts from hierarchical XML

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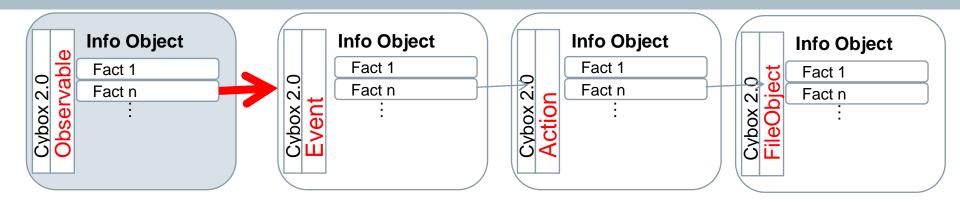
The facts we are really interested into about the observed file are:

- Properties/File Name = foobar.dll
- Properties/File_Path = C:\Windows\system32
- Properties/Hashes/Hash/Type = MD5
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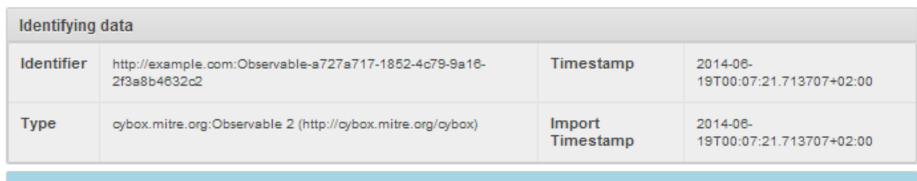
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Example: Importing a CybOX 2.0 Observable Resulting Structure



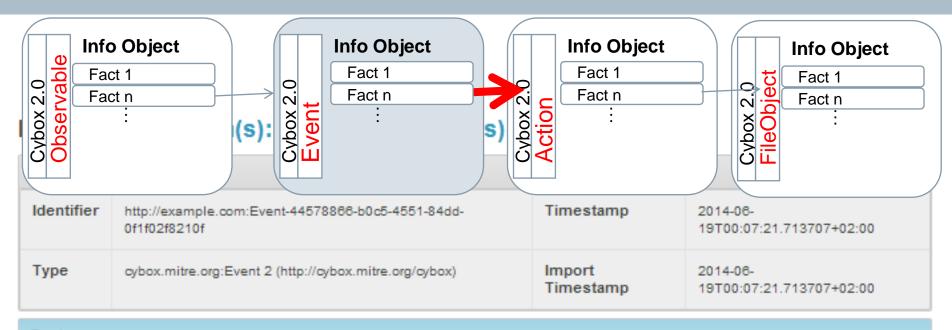
Info Object: Event: Action(s): Create File (6 facts) ...

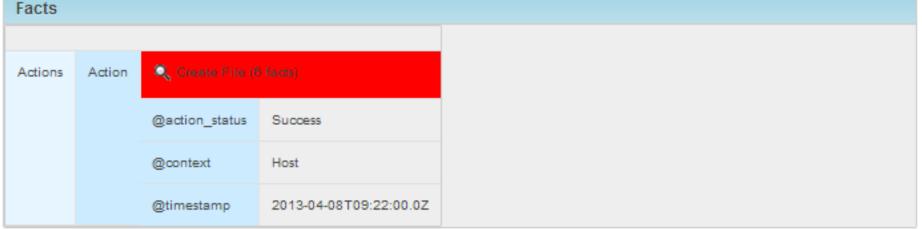






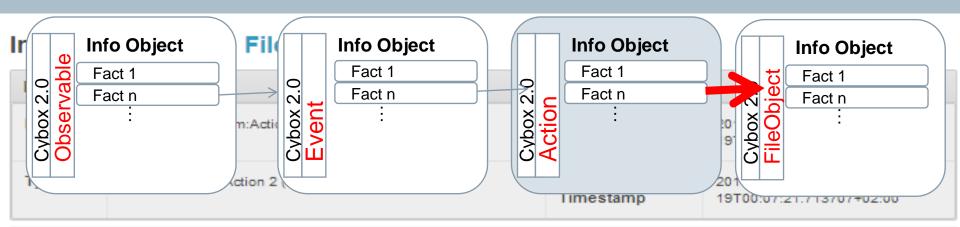
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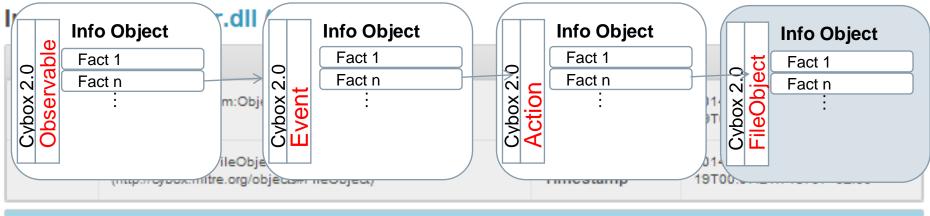
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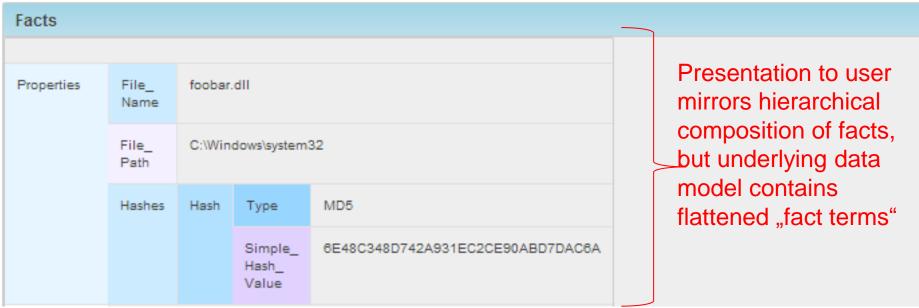


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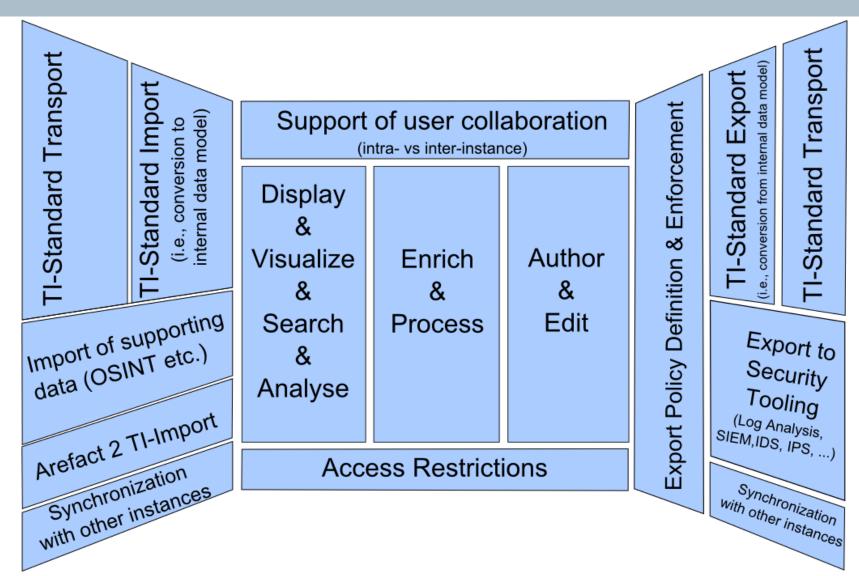
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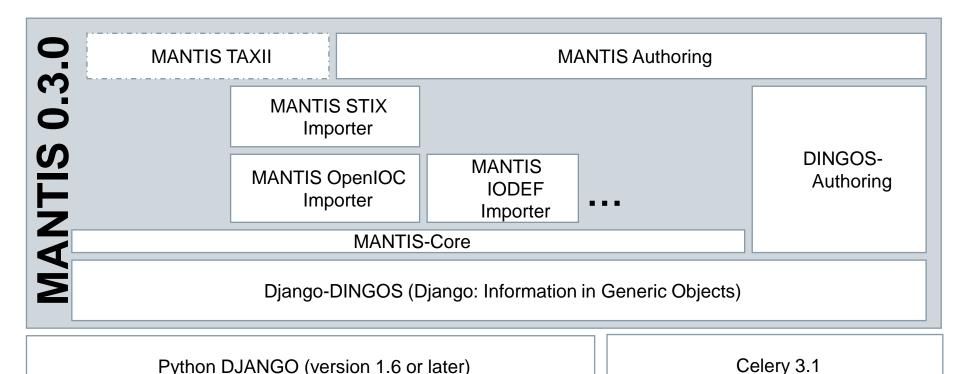
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Siemens CERT's MANTIS Framework

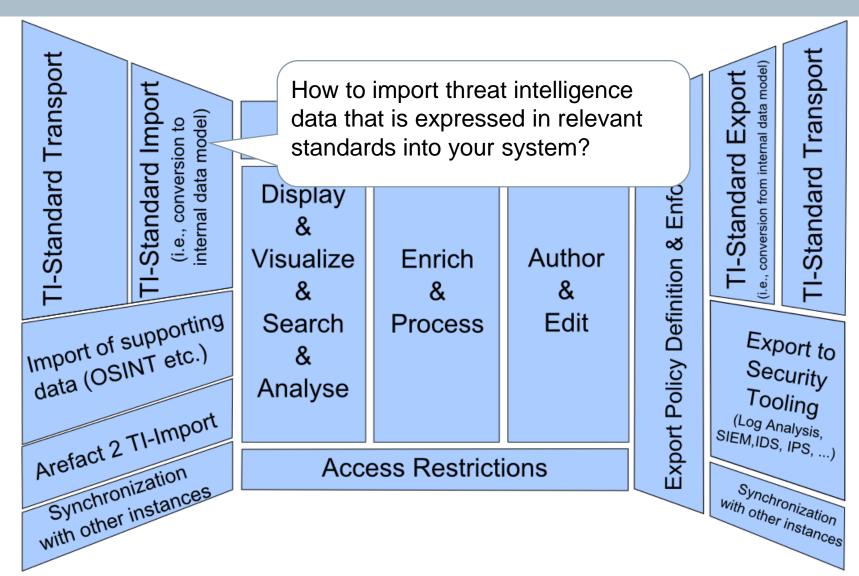
- MANTIS is based on Django, the Python-based web application framework.
- The current version of MANTIS contains import modules for STIX/CybOX, OpenIOC, and IODEF, but the architecture is of MANTIS is generic and provides for easy generation of additional import modules for other standards.



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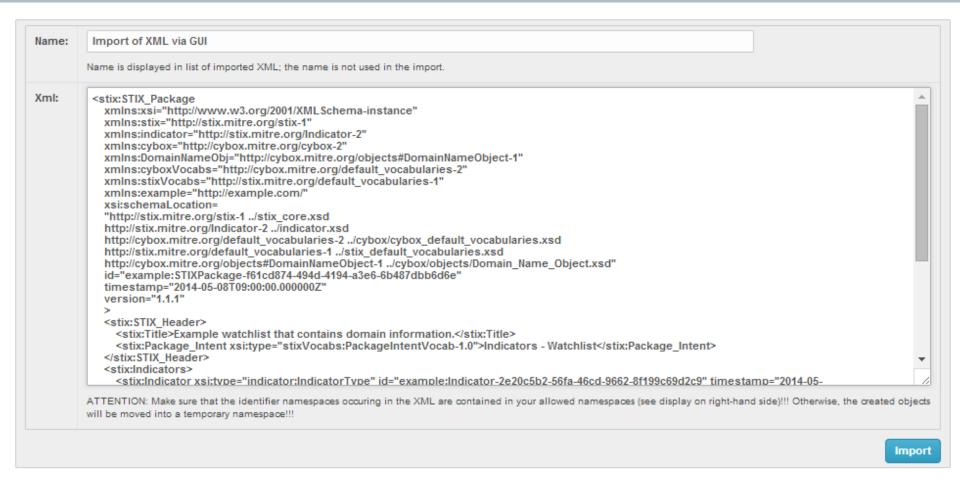
MANTIS TI-Standard Import



- We have talked about how STIX/CybOX XML is imported into MANTIS
- The MANTIS framework provides a generic importer class that has been customized to import
 - CybOX/STIX
 - OpenIOC indicators
 - IODEF
- Importer function can be triggered
 - programatically (using Celery for task management)
 - via commandline for scripting
 - via GUI 'XML Import' dialogue
 - via authoring GUI (import OpenIOC into STIX Test Mechanism)

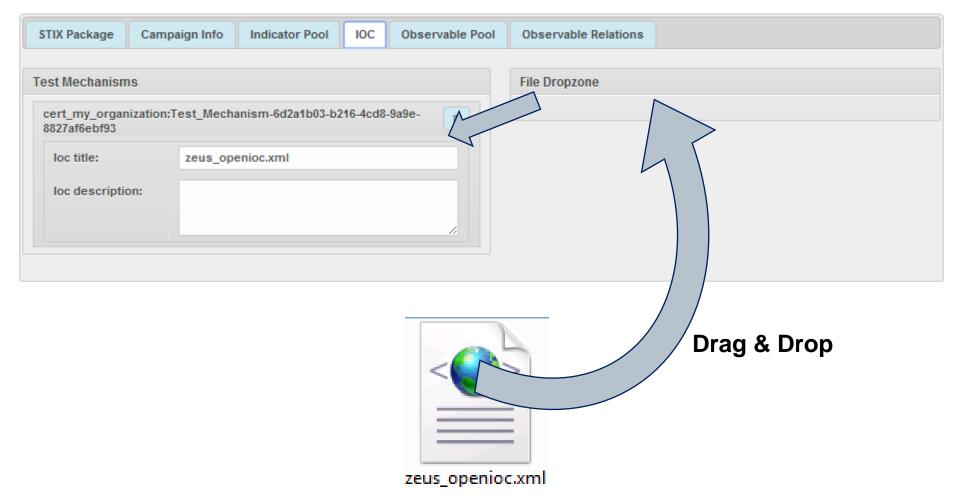
MANTIS TI-Standard Import XML-Import via GUI





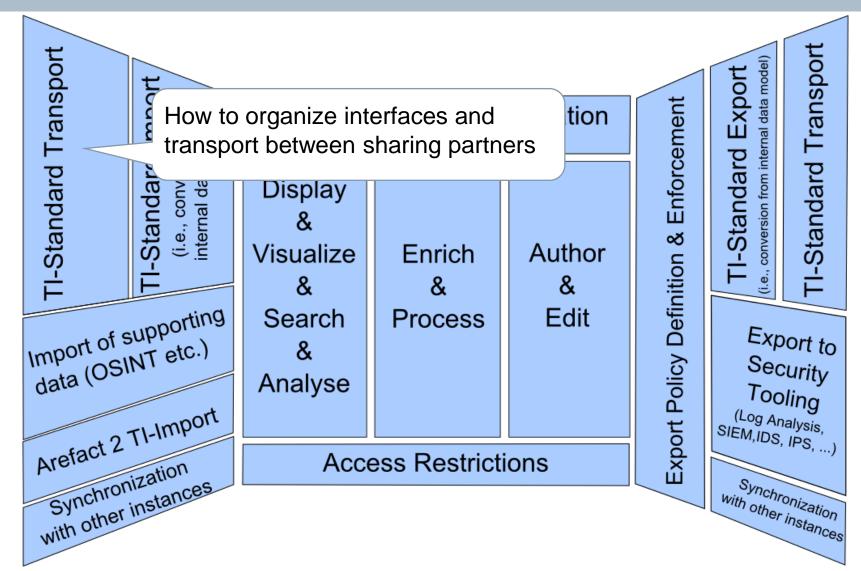
MANTIS Import of OpenIOC as part of STIX Authoring



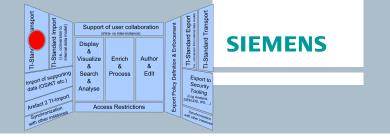




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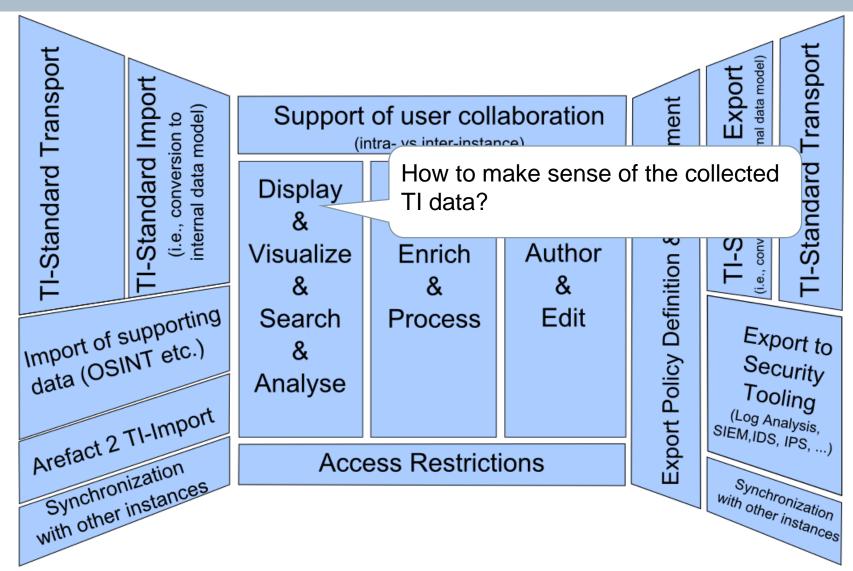


 For organizing interfaces for import from external sharing partners, we plan to leverage

- Luckily, MITRE's TAXII proof-of-concept implementation YETI is also running on top of Django
- Imports registered by YETI can be made to trigger a import task in MANTIS (using Celery for asynchronous processing)

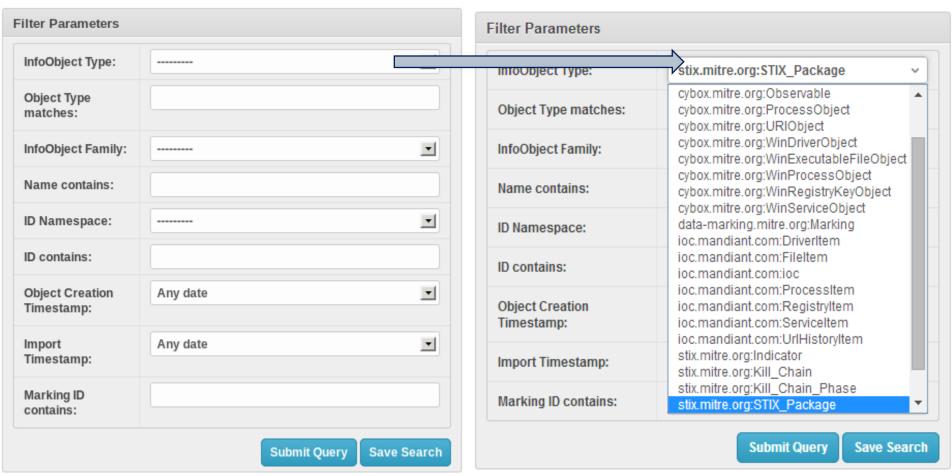


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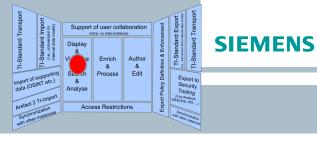


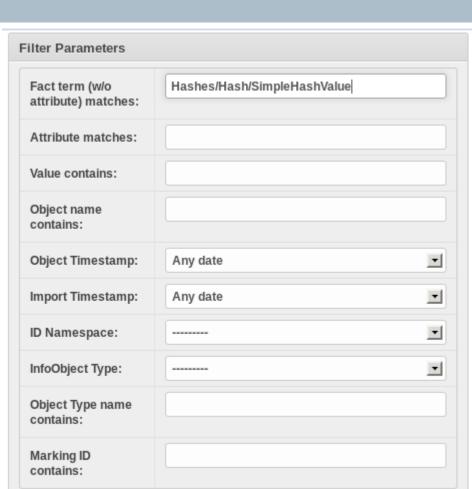
MANTIS Filtering by Object Property





MANTISFiltering by Fact Property



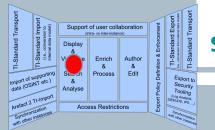


Submit Query

Save Search

MANTIS Displaying Information Objects

Identifying data



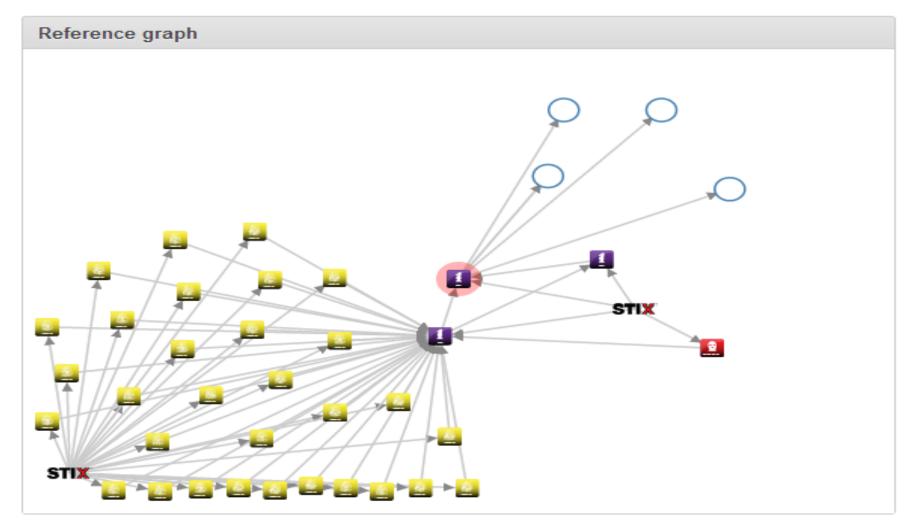
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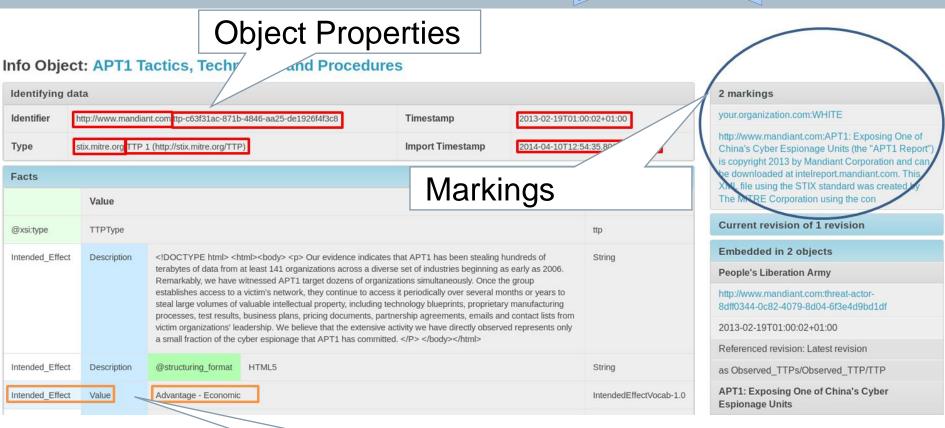
MANTIS Visualizing Object Relations





MANTIS Searching Objects and Facts What we can search for





Fact Terms and Fact Values

MANTIS Search Interface for Facts



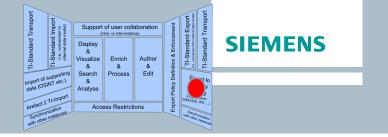
Filter Parameters

fact: [Properties/Value] regexp "business"
| object: identifier.namespace contains 'mandiant.com'
&& object_type.name contains 'URIObject'
| marked_by: (fact: [Marking_Structure/Statement] contains 'APT1')

Paginate by 50

Execute query Save Search

MANTIS Editing saved searches



MANTIS Cyber Threat Info Management Authoring List, Filter & Search Saved Filters/Searches Doe, John

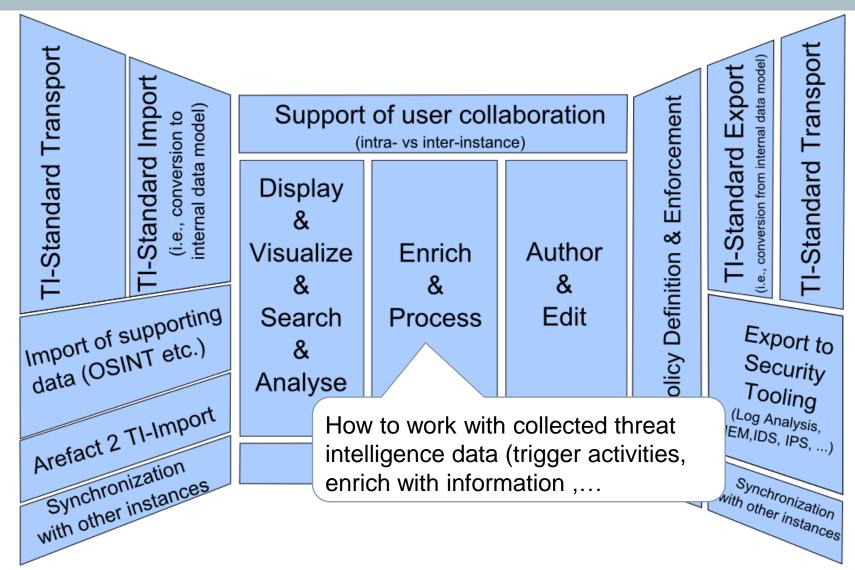
Saved searches for user John Doe



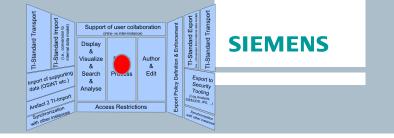




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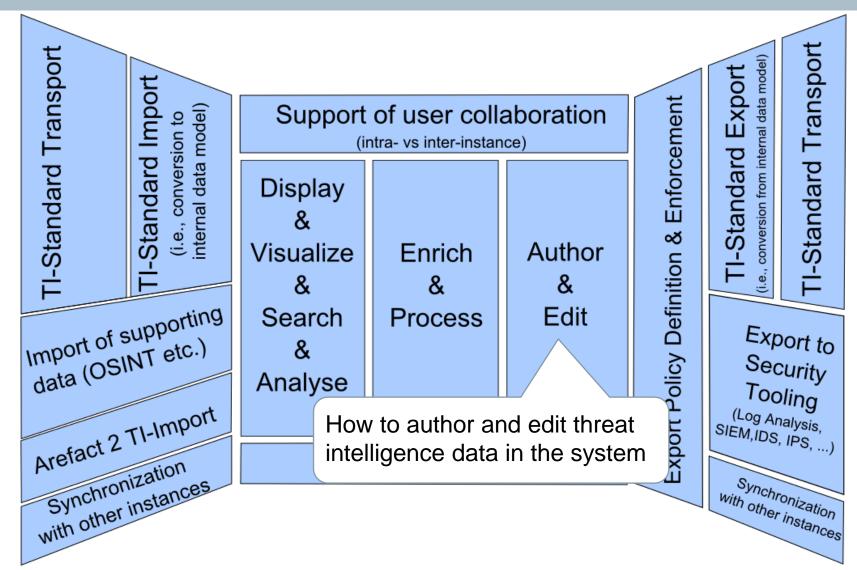
MANTIS Processing & Enrichment of Data



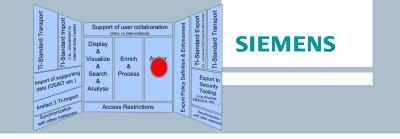
- MANTIS 0.3.0 does not offer standard methods for processing and enriching data
- In our internal instance customized for our use, we employ base classes offered by the MANTIS framework to implement
 - actions on objects
 - marking of objects with additional information
- First standard processing/enrichment method likely to be implemented by the next MANTIS release will be object tagging (i.e., marking of objects with relatively restricted markings)



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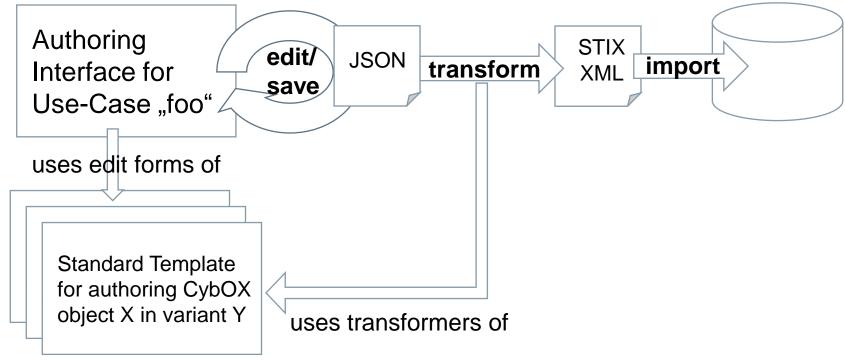
Interlude: The problem of authoring STIX and CyboX



- STIX and CybOX are complex, ...really, really complex
- The STIX/CybOX community is in the process of working out the intended usage of STIX/CybOX for standard use-cases (just last week, a discussion of how to communicate sightings of a given indicator got started on the mailing list)
- There will be organization/company-specific specializations of standard use-cases.
- Your tool needs a way to codify standard use cases such that the user can concentrate on entering the right data, while the tool takes care of generating STIX/CybOX that follows the intended usage for the particular use-case

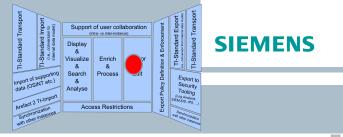
MANTIS's approach to authoring and editing threat intelligence

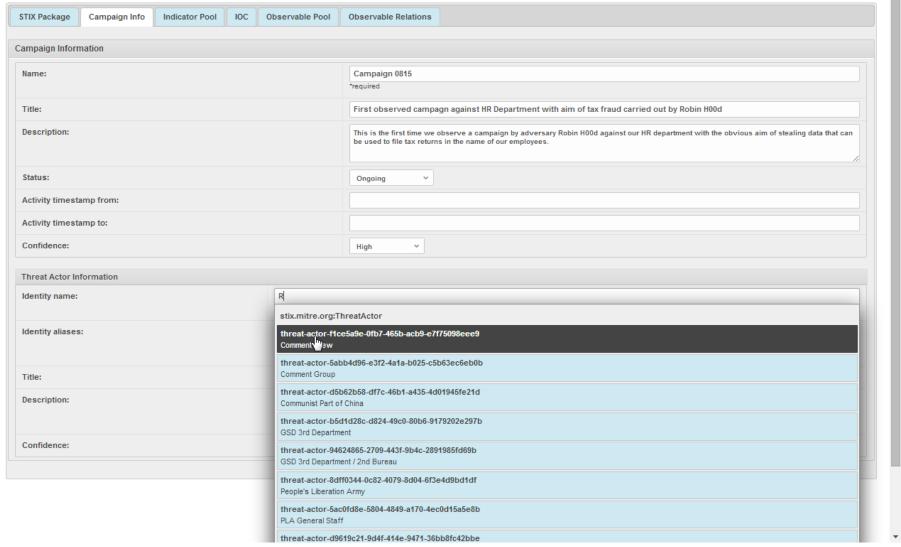




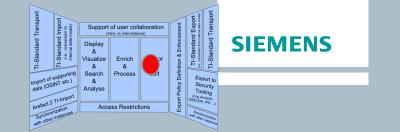
Objects originating from imported reports maintain a relationship with the defining JSON structure; the report can be modified by re-opening the JSON, editing it and carrying out another import: existing objects are then overwritten with the newly created version.

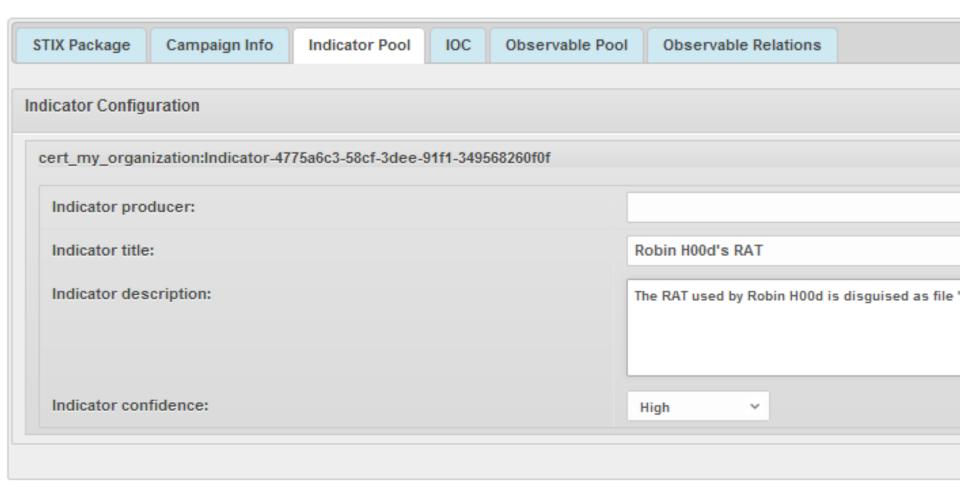
MANTIS Authoring Campaign and Threat Actor



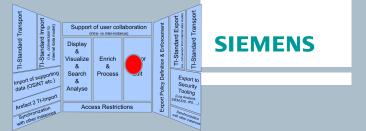


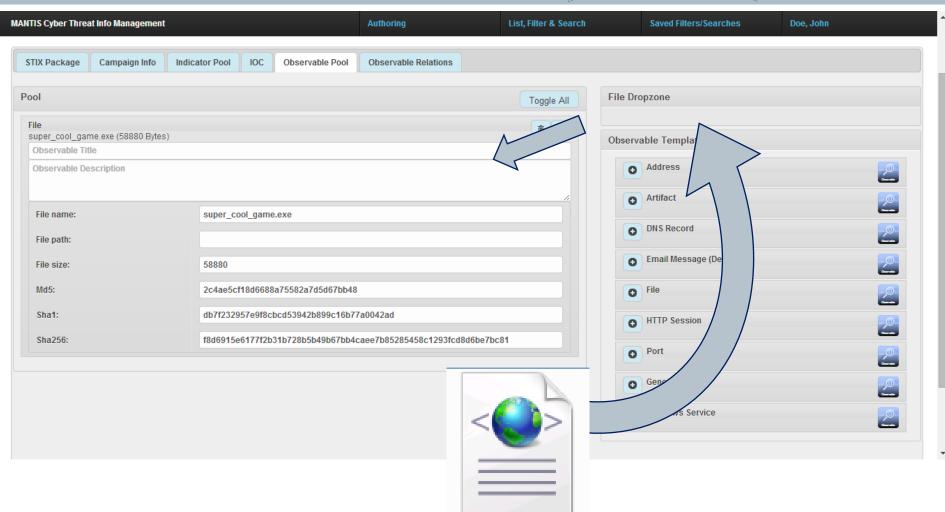
MANTIS Authoring Indicator Information





MANTIS Authoring File Object via Drag & Drop

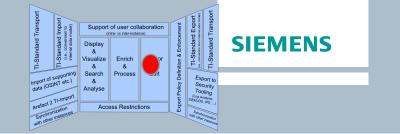


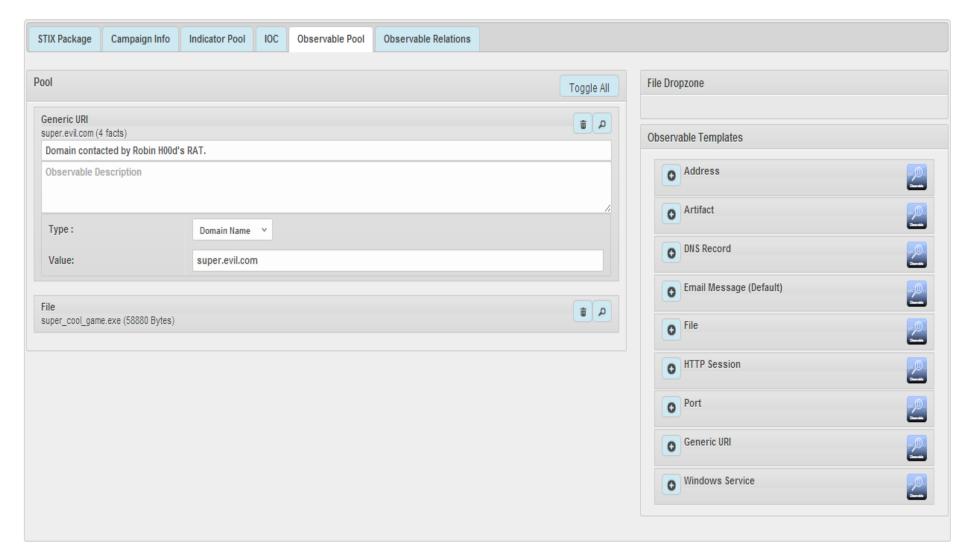


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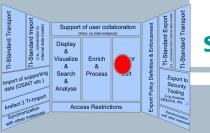
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MANTIS Authoring Generic URI Object

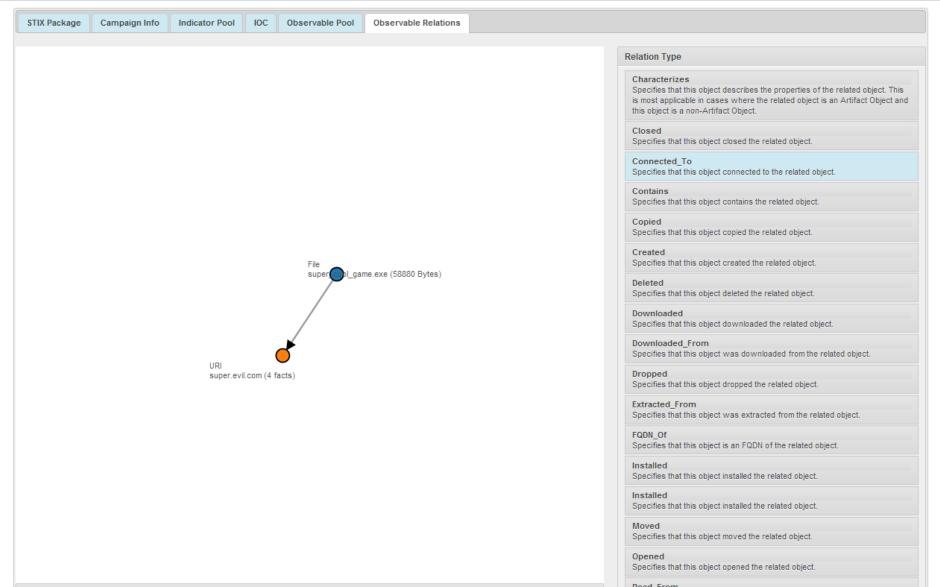




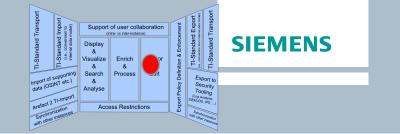
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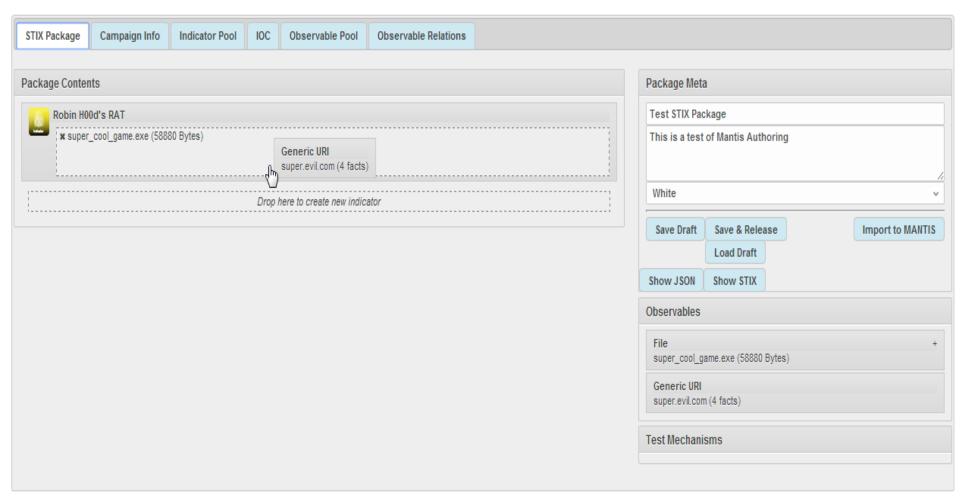


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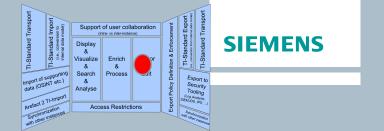


MANTIS Putting together the STIX Package





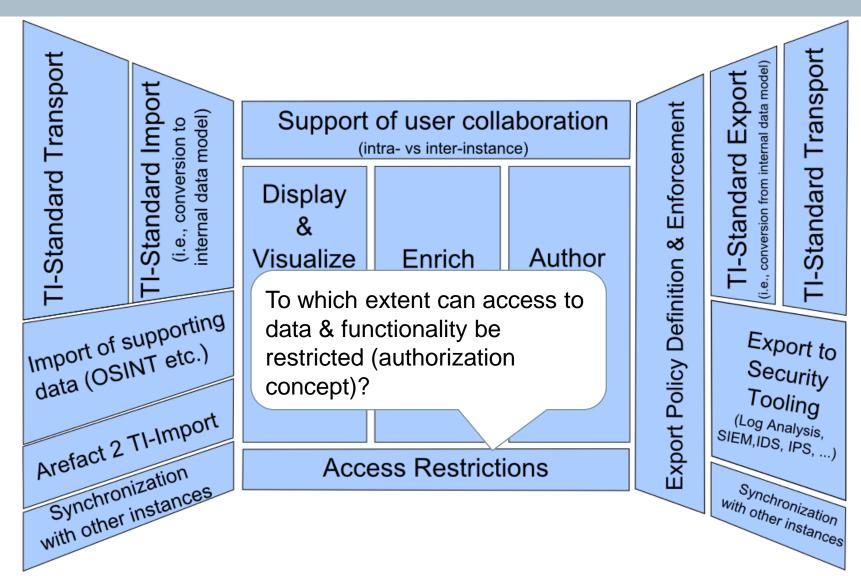
MANTIS Viewing the resulting XML



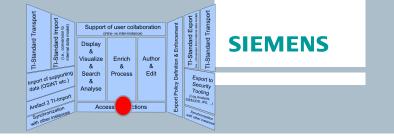
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STIX Package Output
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(Cyber)Threat Intelligence Tooling: A reference frame regarding functionality



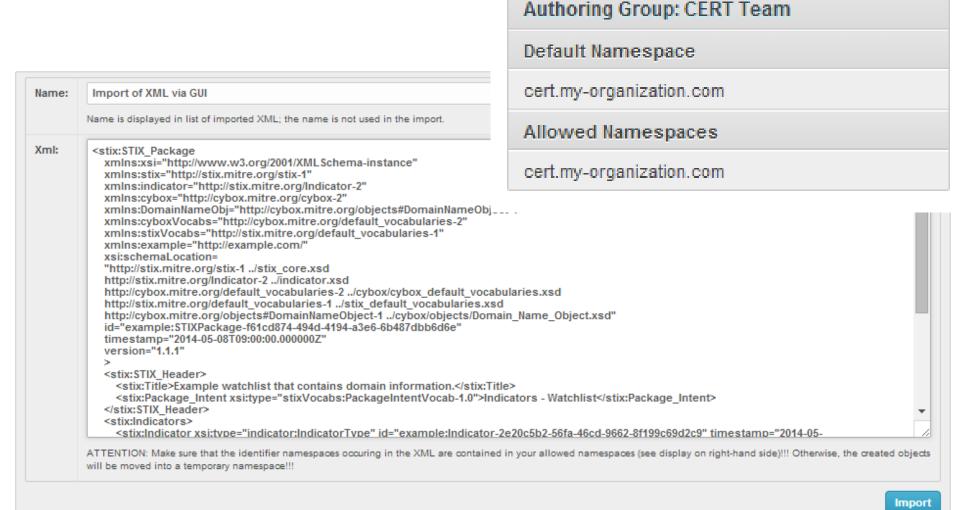
MANTIS Authoring Groups restrict authoring & editing



- A user can be member of one or more groups (standard mechanism offered by Django)
- By associating a group with identifier namespace information, it becomes an Authoring Group
- Namespace information contains
 - default namespace: objects created via authoring interface are created in identifier namespace as specified by default namespace
 - allowed namespace: objects created by user e.g., via XML Import interface, may only carry identifiers with an allowed identifier namespace
- A user can only access the author interface for reports created within an authoring group of which he is a member

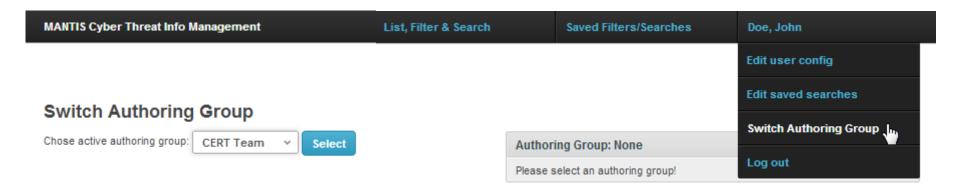
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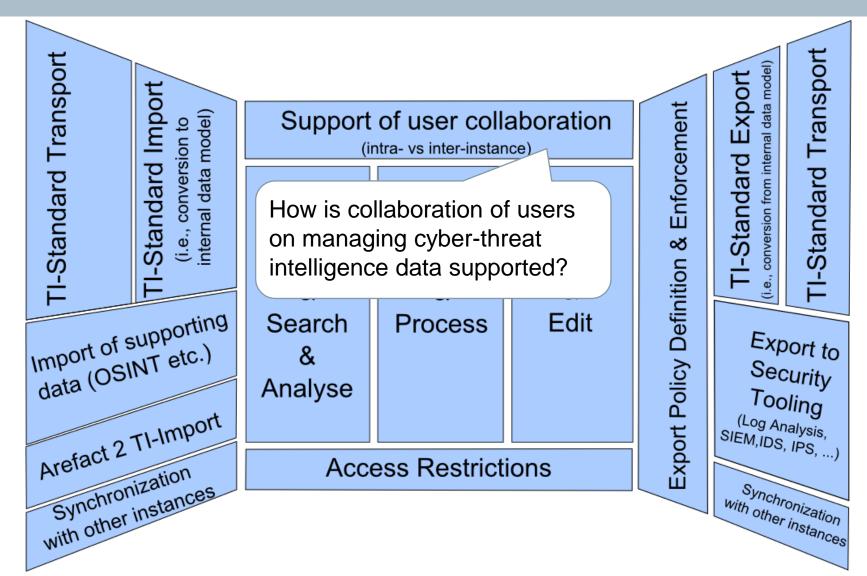
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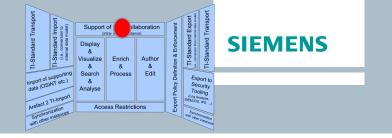


MANTIS Users can cooperate on reports within authoring groups



- A user can access via the authoring interface authored within his authoring group(s)
- Reports may have an owner: as long as an owner holds the report, no other user may edit the report
- A report can be released by its owner; importing the report into MANTIS releases the report automatically
- Users can take ownership of a report currently owned by another user (to be used with care!)

MANTIS Viewing, editing and taking reports within own authoring group



Submit

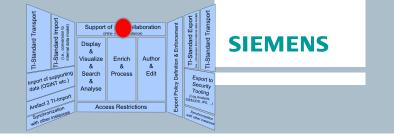
MANTIS Cyber Threat Info Management List, Filter & Search Saved Filters/Searches Doe, John Authoring **Drafts and Imports of Authoring Group CERT Team** Saved Drafts Filter Parameters Owner Name Status Timestamp Import Timestamp: Any date Erika Mustermann Erika's First Report Update (not yet imported) June 18, 2014, 11:07 p.m. **View History** Name contains: Test STIX Package Imported Q June 18, 2014, 11:07 p.m. Status: Any status **View History** EDIT User: **Submit Query** Save Search Authoring Group: CERT Team Default Namespace cert.my-organization.com **Allowed Namespaces** cert.my-organization.com

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Take from owner

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MANTISViewing the history of a report

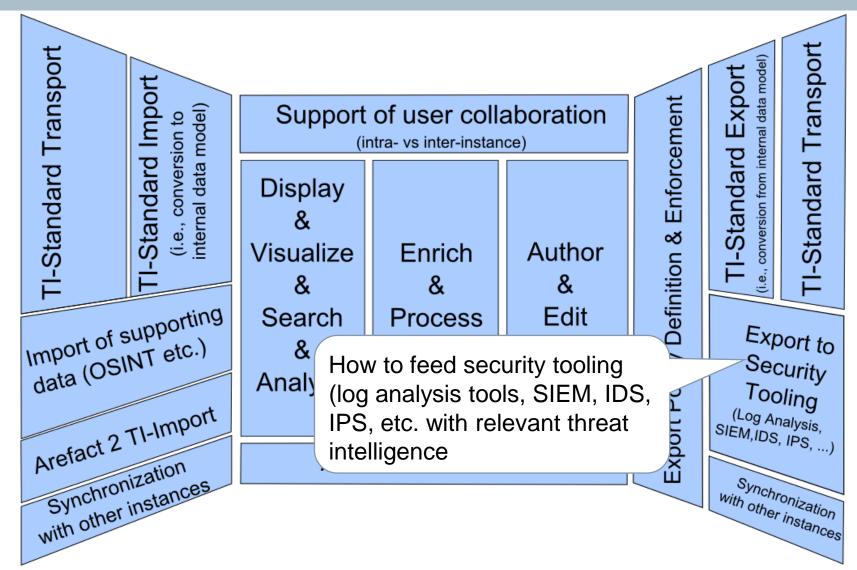


History of 'Test STIX Package'

| Owner | Status | Kind | Timestamp | |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------|
| | Imported Q | JSON (Dingos Authoring) | June 18, 2014, 10:55 p.m. | EDIT |
| John Doe | Imported | XML | June 18, 2014, 10:55 p.m. | |
| John Doe | Draft | JSON (Dingos Authoring) | June 18, 2014, 10:55 p.m. | |
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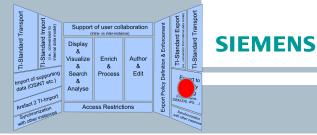


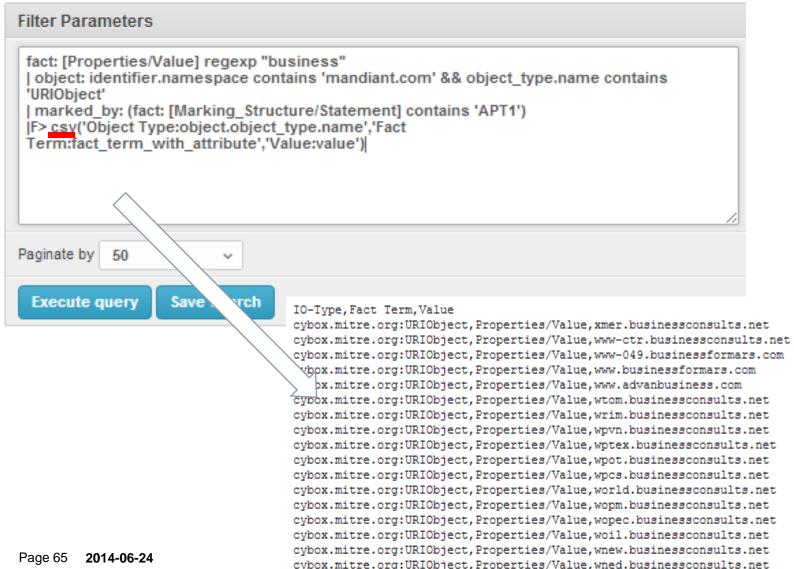
MANTIS Feeding security tools with threat intelligence via saved searches



- Custom searches
 - can be saved
 - can return results as CSV, simple JSON, etc.
- Concept for feeding security tools with simple indicator lists:
 - Generate a saved search that pulls relevant data out of the system
 - Allow tools access to saved searches via REST interface

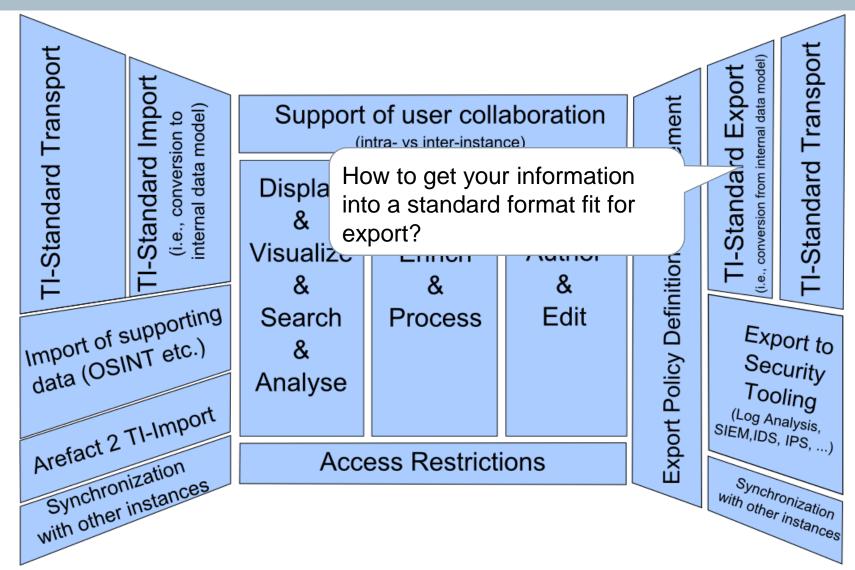
MANTIS Providing search results as csv







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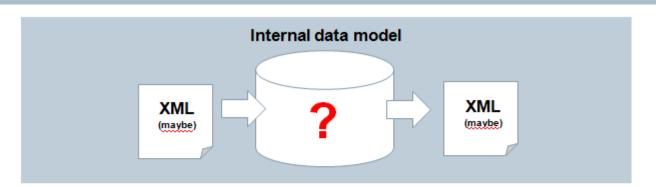
MANTIS Towards exporting data



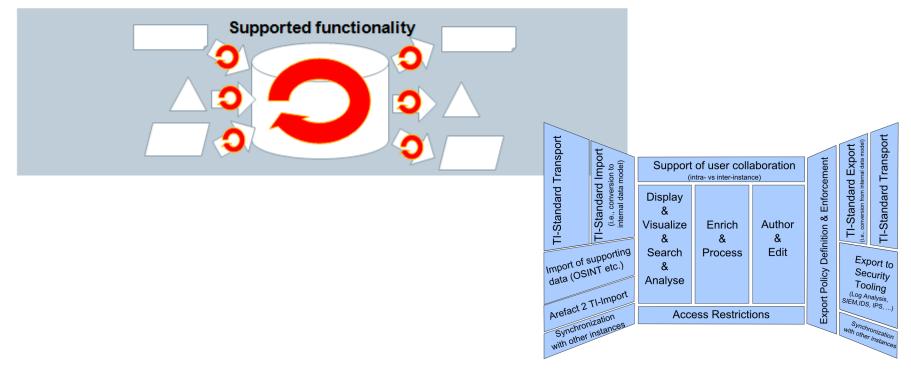
- As discussed above when talking about the flexile data model: flexile import makes export challenging
 - Possible concepts:
 - always export to a given revision of the standard; for data imported in older revisions, some data may be lost or misrepresented
 - always export to the revision that was imported (but for this we would need to have STIX/CybOX python bindings in different revisions in parallel
 - **.**..?
- But: for our main use case of exporting self-authored data, we are all set for always exporting to the latest revision:
 - Upgrade transformers to new revision
 - Regenerate STIX/CybOX for all reports

Take away #1 Distinguishing features of Threat Intelligence Management Systems





- Genesis?
- Distance?
- Flexibility?



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Caveat: What MANTIS is and isn't

- MANTIS is an alpha/early beta implementation of a framework for managing cyber threat intelligence expressed in standards such as STIX, CybOX, OpenIOC, IODEF, etc.
- Our aims of providing MANTIS as open source are:
 - To aide discussions about tooling for emerging standards such as STIX, CybOX et al.
 - To lower the entrance barrier for organizations and teams (esp. CERT teams) in using emerging standards for cyber-threat intelligence management and exchange.
 - To provide a platform on the basis of which research and communitydriven development in the area of cyber-threat intelligence management can occur.

- MANTIS isn't a finished tool or project: we like to think that it provides a solid basis on which cyber-threat intelligence management can be built up upon, but if you expect something that out of the box covers all aspects of cyber-threat intelligence management or are unable/unwilling to dive into Django and Python code and fix/modify according to your requirements, MANTIS isn't for you. This may change sometime in the future when Mantis reaches version 1.0.0 ... but currently, we are at 0.3.0...
- MANTIS (currently) isn't a tool fit for importing huge datasets or huge numbers of datasets. This situation may change at some point of time with more stream-lined importers, but MANTIS is really not intended to deal with very big data the way log management solutions are.



Where to get MANTIS?

Access to the Mantis source code for installation:

- Either via git clone from the Mantis Github Repository (https://github.com/siemens/django-mantis.git) (recommended): git clone https://github.com/siemens/django-mantis.git
- Or via download as zip package from https://github.com/siemens/djangomantis/archive/master.zip

There is a mailing list for dicussions, questions, etc.:

- Subscribe to the mailing list by sending a mail to Mantis-ti-discussion-join@lists.trusted-introducer.org.
- The archives of the mailing list are available via Nabble (http://mantis-threat-intelligence-management-framework-discussion-list.57317.x6.nabble.com/)

Many thanks to the TF-CSIRT Trusted Introducer for their support in hosting the list!

All issues regarding Mantis and its components are tracked on the Mantis Issue Tracker (https://github.com/siemens/django-mantis/issues?state=open)

Documentation: the full documentation is at http://django-mantis.readthedocs.org.