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MISP - THREAT SHARING

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

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### LAYERS OF DATA MODEL

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- ► 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, ...

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-Layers of data model

### 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** 

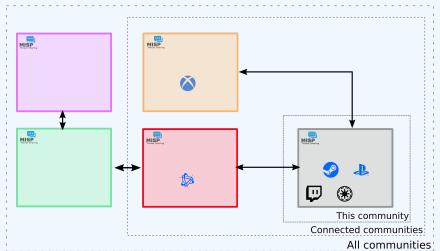
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# SHARING IN MISP: DISTRIBUTION





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Sharing in MISP: Distribution



### DATA LAYER: NAMING CONVENTIONS

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- **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

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-Data layer: Naming conventions

- Attributes are individual data points, which can be indicate

### 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 / ...

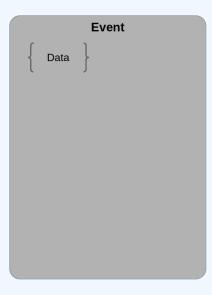


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Data layer: Events



# DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - BASE



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Data layer: Event building blocks - Base



### DATA LAYER: EVENTS

```
"date": "2019-02-20",
      "info": "IoT malware - Gafgyt.Gen28 (active)",
      "uuid": "5c6d21e5-bb60-47b7-b892-42e6950d2111",
      "analysis": "2",
       "timestamp": "1602315388",
       "distribution": "3",
      "sharing_group_id": "o",
      "threat_level_id": "3",
      "extends_uuid": "",
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      "Attribute": [...],
      "Object": [...],
      "EventReport": [...],
      "Tag": [...],
      "Galaxy": [...]
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```

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-Data layer: Events

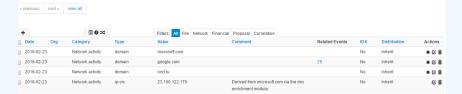
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### DATA LAYER: ATTRIBUTES

**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, ...

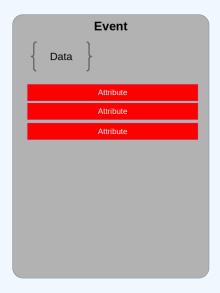


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Data layer: Attributes



# DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - RAW DATA



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### DATA LAYER: ATTRIBUTES

```
"type": "url",
       "category": "Network activity",
       "to_ids": true,
       "uuid": "5c6d24bd-d094-4dd6-a1b6-4fa3950d2111",
       "event_id": "178",
       "distribution": "5",
       "sharing_group_id": "o",
       "timestamp": "1550656701",
       "comment": "Delivery point for the malware",
       "object_id": "o",
       "object_relation": null,
      "first_seen": null,
      "last_seen": null,
      "value": "ftp://185.135.80.163/",
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      "Tag": [...]
       "Galaxy": [...]
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```

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# DATA LAYER: MISP OBJECTS

**Objects** are custom templated Attribute compositions

**Purpose**: Groups Attributes that are intrinsically linked together

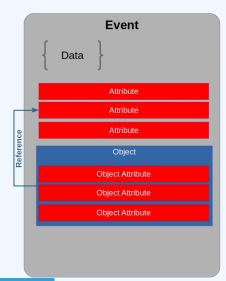
**Usecase**: File, person, credit-card, x509, device, ...

•	2018-03-27	Name: file 🚜	0		
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	filename: filename	putty.exe	<b>=</b>
	2018-03-27	Other	size-in-bytes: size-in-bytes	774200	<b>=</b>
	2018-03-27	Other	entropy: float	6.7264597226	<b>=</b>
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	<b>md5</b> : md5	b6c12d88eeb910784d75a5e4df954001	<b>=</b>
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	sha1: sha1	5ef9515e8fd92a254dd2dcdd9c4b50afa8007b8f	<b>=</b>
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	<b>sha256</b> : sha256	81de431987304676134138705fc1c21188ad7f27edf6b77a6551aa6931944 85e	•
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	<b>sha512</b> : sha512	e174ecf4fffb36d30c2cc66b37f82877d421244c924d5c9f39f2e0f37d85332b 7d107d5ac5bd19cb7ffdcdbdd8b506d488faa30664ef610f62f3970c163cca7 6	•
	2018-03-27	Payload delivery	malware-sample:	putty.exe	•

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-Data layer: MISP Objects

# DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - DATA COMPOSITION



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# DATA LAYER: MISP OBJECTS

```
"name": "elf-section",
       "meta—category": "file",
       "description": "Object describing a sect...",
       "template_uuid": "ca271f32 -1234-4e87-b240-6b6e882de5de",
       "template_version": "4",
       "uuid": "ab5foc85 - 5623 - 424c - bco3 - d79841700d74",
       "timestamp": "1550655984",
       "distribution": "5",
       "sharing_group_id": "o",
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       "comment": "",
       "first_seen": null,
       "last_seen": null,
       "ObjectReference": [],
       "Attribute": [...]
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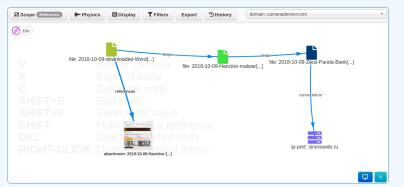
-Data layer: MISP Objects

### 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, ...



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Data layer: Object references

# DATA LAYER: OBJECT REFERENCES

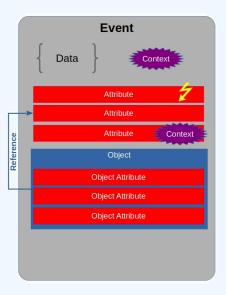
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1 {
2          "uuid": "5c6d21f9 -0384-4bd2-b256-40de950d2111",
3          "timestamp": "1602318569",
4          "object_id": "1024",
5          "source_uuid": "23275e05-c202-460e-aadf-819c417fb326",
6          "referenced_uuid": "ab5f0c85-5623-424c-bc03-d79841700d74",
7          "referenced_type": "1",
8          "relationship_type": "included-in",
9          "comment": "Section o of ELF"
```

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# DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - CONTEXT



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Data layer: Event building blocks - Context

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### 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, ...



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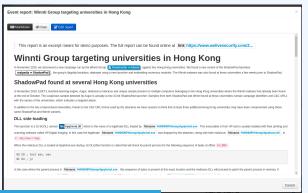
Data layer: Sightings

### 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, ...



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Data layer: Event reports

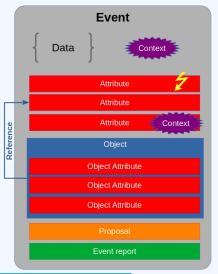
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### DATA LAYER: EVENT REPORTS

```
1 {
2     "uuid": "076e240b-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 }
```

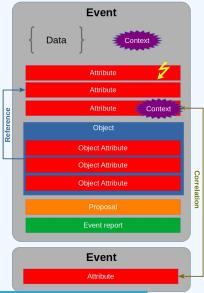
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# DATA LAYER: EVENT BUILDING BLOCKS - FULL



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-Data layer: Event building blocks - Full

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### **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"

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# tlp:green.false-positive:risk-"high" -Context layer: Naming conventions

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Tags are free-text labels attached to events/attributes an can come from Taxonomies

► Taxonomies are a set of common classification allowing

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### 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"

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# CONTEXT LAYER: TAGS

# Simple free-text labels

```
TLP AMBER

TLP:AMBER

Threat tlp:Amber

tlp-amber

tlp::amber

tlp::amber
```

```
1 {
2     "name": "Android malware",
3     "colour": "#22681c",
4     "exportable": true,
5     "numerical_value": null,
6 }
```

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Context layer: Tags



# 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, ...

☐ Tag	Events	Attributes	Tags
workflow:state="complete"	11	0	workflow:state="complete"
workflow:state="draft"	0	0	workflow:state="draft"
workflow:state="incomplete"	55	10	workflow:state="incomplete"
workflow:state="ongoing"	0	0	workflow:state="ongoing"

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Context layer: Taxonomies



# **CONTEXT LAYER: TAXONOMIES**

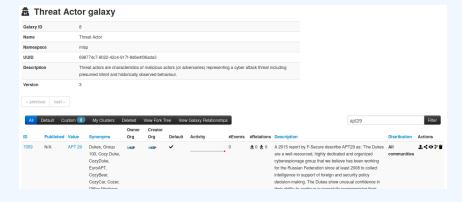
```
"Taxonomy":
 "namespace": "admiralty-scale",
  "description": "The Admiralty Scale or Ranking (also called
      the NATO System) ... ",
  "version": "6",
 "exclusive": false,
"entries": [
    "tag": "admiralty-scale:information-credibility=\"1\"",
     "expanded": "Information Credibility: Confirmed by other
         sources",
     "numerical_value": 100,
     "exclusive_predicate": true,
```

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-Context layer: Taxonomies

# CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXIES

### Collections of galaxy clusters



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-Context layer: Galaxies



### 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, ...



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Context layer: Galaxy clusters



# CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXY CLUSTERS

### **Galaxy cluster elements**: Tabular view



### **Galaxy cluster elements**: JSON view



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-Context layer: Galaxy clusters



### CONTEXT LAYER: GALAXY CLUSTERS

```
"uuid": "5edaoa53-1d98-4do1-aeo6-4odaoaooo2of",
      "type": "fellowship—characters",
      "value": "Aragorn wielding Anduril",
      "tag_name": "misp-galaxy:fellowship-characters=\"c3fe907a-6a36
          -4cd1-9456-dcdf35c3f907\"",
      "description": "The Aragorn character wielding Anduril",
      "source": "Middle-earth universe by J. R. R. Tolkien",
      "authors": null.
      "version": "1591347795".
      "distribution": "o",
      "sharing_group_id": null,
      "default": false,
      "extends_uuid": "5eda0117-1e14-4b0a-9e26-34aff331dc3b",
      "extends_version": "1591345431",
      "GalaxyElement": [...],
      "GalaxyClusterRelation": [...]
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```

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-Context layer: Galaxy clusters

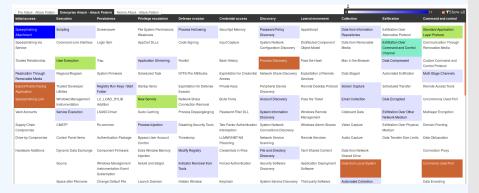
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| "sud", 'spigulog-sidige stated",
| "sud", 'spigulog-sidige stated",
| "sud", 'spigulog-sidige stated state

ment": [...], usterRelation": [...]

# 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



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-Context layer: Galaxies & Galaxy clusters



# GALAXY JSON MATRIX-LIKE

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

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-Galaxy JSON matrix-like

# CLUSTER ISON MATRIX-LIKE

```
"description": "DoS or overload of party/campaign
             registration, causing them to miss the deadline",
         "meta": {
           "date": "March 2018.",
            "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
         "uuid": "154c6186-a007-4460-a029-ea23163448fe",
         "value": "DoS or overload of party/campaign registration,
             causing them to miss the deadline"
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```

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-Cluster JSON matrix-like

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### **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.

```
"related": [
    "dest-uuid": "5ce5392a-3a6c-4e07-9df3-9b6a9159ac45",
   "tags": [
      "estimative—language: likelihood—probability=\"likely\"
    "tvpe": "similar"
"uuid": "oca45163-e223-4167-b1af-f088ed14a93d",
"value": "Putter Panda"
```

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-Expressing relation between clusters

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