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This package contains cyber threat intelligence (CTI) tools created by CERT Australia.

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INSTALLATION

This document describes how to install the CERT Australia CTI Toolkit.

Installation is streamlined using Python's `setuptools`. The following installation process has been tested on clean install of Ubuntu 14.04.

1. Install prerequisites required by `setuptools` and `libtaxii`:

```
$ sudo apt-get install python-pip python-dev libxml2-dev libxslt1-dev libz-dev
```

2. Clone the `cti-toolkit` repository (prompts for github username and password):

```
$ git clone https://github.com/certau/cti-toolkit.git
```

3. Run the `setup.py` script to build and install the tools (and pip dependencies):

```
$ cd cti-toolkit
$ sudo python setup.py install
```

That's it. You should now be able to run utilities, such as `stixtransclient.py`:

```
$ stixtransclient.py -h
```

1.1 Documentation

To build the documentation you need Sphinx:

```
$ sudo pip install Sphinx sphinxcontrib-napoleon
$ cd docs
$ make html
```

This will create an HTML version of the documentation in `docs/_build/html`.

STIXTRANSCIENT.PY

Few systems can utilise indicators and observables when stored in STIX packages. CERT Australia has developed a utility (stixtranscient.py) that allows the atomic observables contained within a STIX package to be extracted and presented in either a text delimited format, or in the [Bro Intel Framework](#) format.

2.1 stixtranscient.py overview

Example usage::

```
$ stixtranscient.py -a -s -b --file ca-XXXX-YYY-stix.xml

+++++
Summary statistics for XXXX-YYY
+++++
File related observables:      9
Email related observables:     8
Domain related observables:    3
Address related observables:   3
URL related observables:      533
+++++

#fields indicator      indicator_type meta.source      meta.url      meta.do_notice meta.if_
216.213.78.72 Intel::ADDR CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY T - -
88.211.147.62 Intel::ADDR CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY T - -
73.189.141.135 Intel::ADDR CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY T - -
38stalprof.com.ua/includes/domit/src.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
ferma.az/incfiles/classes/idx.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
intimit.ru/includes/phpmailer/source.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
jetc.com/illegal_access_folder/source.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
keelex.com/wp/wp-includes/idx.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
shopcode.net/wp-includes/pomo/idx.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
simpsons.freesexycomics.com/wp06/wp-includes/po.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
topstonet.ru/modules/mod_search/source.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY
zhayvoronok.com/wp-includes/pomo/idx.php Intel::URL CERT https://yeti.host.tld/XXXX-YYY

$ stixtranscient.py -b --config ~/src/cti-toolkit/config/ctitoolkit.conf.sample-hailataxii \
--begin-timestamp `date +%Y-%m-%dT00:00:00.000000+00:00`

http://ebay.x10host.com/ws/NeBayISAPI.dll/oo_login.php Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com
http://golden-corner.com/make/bookmark/ii.php?rand.13InboxLight.aspxn.1774256418= Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com
http://redbankplainsvet.com/324432423/192317148/ Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com
http://www.gallecarhire.com/Admin/k/isx007/gdd.htm Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com
http://www.ibankservice-us.com/e49b438bela419630a52f4792726351a/ Intel::URL HAT
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http://www.kaliluana.com/wp-includes/images/media/view/secure-dropbox/document/ Intel::URL
http://www.myownboss.co.zw/ab/ggdc/ Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com T -
http://www.performance2.co.uk/wp-content/senn/ Intel::URL HAT hailataxii.com T
http://www.toldosuniao.com.br/wp-admin/user/wp-config/user/config.inc/ Intel::URL HAT
```

2.2 stixtransclient.py help

The command line (and configuration) options for stixtransclient.py are displayed below:

```
$ stixtransclient.py -h
```

usage: stixtransclient.py [-h] [-a] [-c] [-n] [-v] [-d] [-b] [--bro_no_notice] [--misp] [-t] [-f FIELD_SEPARATOR] [-s] [--base_url BASE_URL] [--source SOURCE] [--header] [--config CONFIG] [--hostname HOSTNAME] [--username USERNAME] [--password PASSWORD] [--key KEY] [--cert CERT] [--soltra] [--ssl] [--path PATH] [--collection COLLECTION] [--begin-timestamp BEGIN_TS] [--end-timestamp END_TS] [--subscription-id SUBSCRIPTION_ID] [--misp_url MISP_URL] [--misp_key MISP_KEY] [--misp_distribution MISP_DISTRIBUTION] [--misp_threat MISP_THREAT] [--misp_analysis MISP_ANALYSIS] [--misp_info MISP_INFO] [--misp_published] [--file FILE | -taxii]

Utility to extract observables from local STIX files or a TAXII server Args that start with ‘-’ (eg. -aus) can also be set in a config file (/etc/ctitoolkit.conf or ~/.ctitoolkit or specified via --config) by using .ini or .yaml-style syntax (eg. aus=value). If an arg is specified in more than one place, then command-line values override config file values which override defaults.

optional arguments:

-h, --help	show this help message and exit
--config CONFIG	Configuration file to use
--file FILE	Full path to XML file to process
--taxii	TAXII server and arguments for poll client

input:

-a, --aus	input is CERT Australia formatted STIX
-c, --ca	input is CCIRC formatted STIX
-n, --nccic	input is NCCIC formatted STIX

output:

-v, --verbose	verbose output
-d, --debug	Enable debug output
-b, --bro	output bro intel framework formatted text
--bro_no_notice	Suppress bro intel notice framework messages
--misp	Feed output to MISP
-t, --text	output delimited text
-f FIELD_SEPARATOR	Field separation character to use
-s, --stats	display summary stats
--base_url BASE_URL	Base URL for indicator source - used in bro and MISP output
--source SOURCE	Source of indicators - eg Hailataxii, CERT-AU

--header Include header row for text output

taxii:

--hostname HOSTNAME Hostname of TAXII server. Defaults to taxii.host.tld

--username USERNAME Username for TAXII authentication

--password PASSWORD Password for TAXII authentication. Default value: guest

--key KEY PEM Key for TAXII authentication

--cert CERT PEM Certificate file for authenticating to TAXII

--soltra TAXII server is a SoltraEdge appliance

--ssl Use SSL to connect to TAXII server

--path PATH Path on TAXII server. Defaults to /services/poll/

--collection COLLECTION Data Collection to poll. Defaults to 'default'.

--begin-timestamp BEGIN_TS The begin timestamp (format: YYYY-MM-DDTHH:MM:SS.sssss+/-hh:mm) for the poll request. Defaults to None.

--end-timestamp END_TS The end timestamp (format: YYYY-MM-DDTHH:MM:SS.sssss+/-hh:mm) for the poll request. Defaults to None.

--subscription-id SUBSCRIPTION_ID The Subscription ID for the poll request. Defaults to None.

misp:

--misp_url MISP_URL URL of MISP server. Defaults to misp.host.tld

--misp_key MISP_KEY Token for accessing MISP instance

--misp_distribution MISP_DISTRIBUTION Distribution group in MISP. Defaults to Your organisation only (0)

--misp_threat MISP_THREAT Threat level in MISP. Defaults to undefined (4)

--misp_analysis MISP_ANALYSIS Analysis phase in MISP. Defaults to initial (0)

--misp_info MISP_INFO MISP event description. Defaults to STIX package title or Automated STIX ingest

--misp_published Set MISP published state to True

CTIToolkit.conf

The `stixtransclient.py` utility can read its configuration parameters from the command line or configuration files located at:

- `/etc/ctitoolkit.conf`
- `~/.ctitoolkit`

Any options that can be specified on the command line can be specified in a configuration file. Command line options will always take precedence.

3.1 ctitoolkit.conf examples

Some examples follow:

YETI:

```
# Connect to the CERT Australia taxii server
# Authenticate using certificate and user credentials
# Poll indicators from the 'advisories' collection
# Output data in Bro intel framework format
source: YETI
hostname: yeti.host.tld
cert: /path/cert.pem
key: /path/key.pem
username: _USER_
password: _PASSWORD_
collection: advisories
base_url: https://source.host.com/advisories/
ssl: true
taxii: true
bro: true
aus: true
```

SoltraEdge:

```
source: HAT
hostname: hailataxii.com
username: guest
password: guest
path: /taxii-data
collection: guest.dataForLast_7daysOnly
taxii: true
soltra: true
bro: true
```

FILE:

```
# Process an STIX file and output to MISP
source: FILE
file: /path/to/stix/file.xml
misp: true
misp_url:http://misp.host.tld
misp_key:keykeykeykeykeykeyke
```

API REFERENCE

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4.1 `certau.transform.stixtrans` Module

This module provides the `certau.transform.StixTransform` class which supports converting indicators (observables) from a STIX package into various other formats, including one suitable for importing indicators into the Bro Intelligence Framework.

class `certau.transform.StixTransform(options)`

When called with a STIX package and set of command line options this class will generate and output indicators appropriate to the arguments provided

Parameters `options` – an options object containing configuration options (see below)

Options used by this class are listed under the heading ‘Other Parameters’ below (these are attributes of the options object).

Other Parameters

- **stats** – generate summary statistics for the STIX Package
- **bro** – generate output in the Bro Intel format
- **text** – generate raw text output
- **aus** – input is a CERT Australia STIX package
- **nccic** – input is a US-CERT (NCCIC) STIX package
- **ca** – input is a Canadian (CCIRC) STIX package
- **soltra** – input has been obtained from a Soltra TAXII instance
- **field_separator** – delimiter to use in output
- **header** – include header row in text output

display_delimited_results()

Construct a delimited list of observables using options included in args.

Returns a string containing the output

generate_stats()

Returns the summary statistics for the STIX package as a string. Requires that the results array has already been populated.

4.2 certau.client.taxii Module

This module provides a simple TAXII client for polling a TAXII server.

The `certau.client.SimpleTaxiiClient` class provides a simple interface for polling a collection on a TAXII server and returning the response. It supports SSL (certificate-based) authentication in addition to a username and password.

class `certau.client.SimpleTaxiiClient` (*options*)

A simple interface to the libtaxii libraries for polling a TAXII server.

Parameters *options* – an options object containing configuration options (see below)

Options used by this class are listed under the heading ‘Other Parameters’ below (these are attributes of the options object).

Other Parameters

- **hostname** – the name of the TAXII server
- **collection** – the collection on the TAXII server to poll
- **path** – the URL path for the collection
- **ssl** – use SSL when connecting to the TAXII server
- **username** – a username for password-based authentication
- **password** – a password for password-based authentication
- **key** – a private key file for SSL certificate-based authentication
- **cert** – a certificate file for SSL certificate-based authentication
- **begin_ts** – a timestamp to describe the earliest content to be returned by the TAXII server
- **end_ts** – a timestamp to describe the most recent content to be returned by the TAXII server
- **subscription_id** – a subscription ID to include with the poll request

send_poll_request ()

Send a poll request to the configured server/collection and return the poll response.

Returns a TAXII poll response message. On failure None is returned and an error logged.

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