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Database	db_audit	Command, Duration, Type
Web server	linux_secure	COMMAND, PWD, pid, process

Lab Module 10 – Creating Reports and Dashboards

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Description

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>	5/21/18 10:43:51.000 PM	76.169.7.252 - - [21/May/2018:22:43:51] "GET /oldlink?&JSESSIONID=SD4SL6FF8ADFF4960 HTTP 1.1" 403 3640 "http://www.buttercupgames.com/oldlink" "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows; U; Windows NT 5.1; en-US; rv:1.9.2.28) Gecko/20120306 YFF3 Firefox/3.6.28 (.NET CLR 3.5.30729; .NET4.0C)" 122 host = web_application source = access_30DAY.log sourcetype = access_combined_wcookie

- Use the `stats count` function to count the events by `clientip` and rename the count to `attempts`.

Results Example:

clientip	attempts
107.3.146.207	11
108.65.113.83	3
109.169.32.135	4
110.138.30.229	2
110.159.208.78	3
111.161.27.20	2

- Use the `sort` command to display the results so that the `clientip` with the highest `attempts` appears first.
- For the `clientip` with the most attempts, what was the total number of attempts? This might show up during the quiz module.
- Use the **Save As** menu (above the time range picker) to select **Report**.
- Enter a **Title** of `403_by_clientip` for the report and click **Save**.

Example:

Save As Report

Title

403_by_clientip

Description

optional

Content

Statistics Table

Time Range Picker

Yes

No

Cancel

Save

- Use the **Permissions** link to make the report display for the App, run as Owner, and be readable by Everyone. Click **Save**.

Example:

Display For

Owner

App

All apps

Run As

Owner

User

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	Read	Write
Everyone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
power	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
user	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Access a list of the reports available to you using the **Reports** menu option on the green at the top of the screen.
10. Notice that the `403_by_clientip` report is in the list. Click on the report title to run the report.

Scenario: The CFO has asked you to create a dashboard where she can see how product sales are doing in one place.

Task 2: Use stats functions to create visualizations of products sold, and add them to a dashboard.

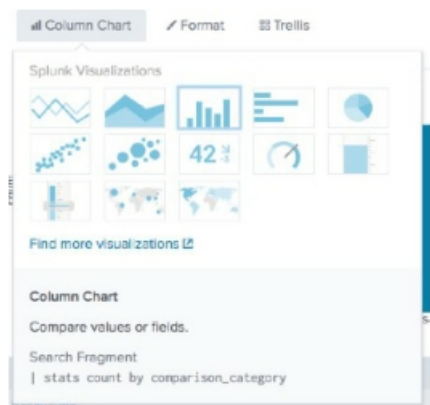
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14. Select the **Visualization** tab and choose the **Column Chart** from the visualization selections.

Example:



15. Use the **Save As** menu to select **Dashboard Panel**.

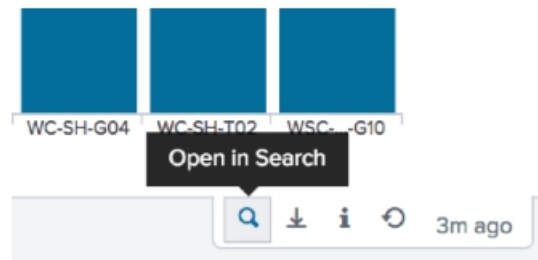
16. Save the dashboard with these values:

- Dashboard: *New*
- Dashboard Title: *Sales Dashboard*
- Panel Title: *Product Sales*

17. Once saved, click **View Dashboard**.

18. Roll over the columns in the chart to see the interaction, and notice the tools at the bottom of the panel.

Example:



19. Use the **Open in Search** icon at the bottom of the panel, to open the search view and run the search.

20. Remove the `by` clause from the search to return the total count of products sold.

21. Select the **Visualization** tab and choose the **Single Value** visualization from the **Splunk Visualizations** menu.

22. Use the **Save As** menu to select **Dashboard Panel**.

23. Save the dashboard with these values:

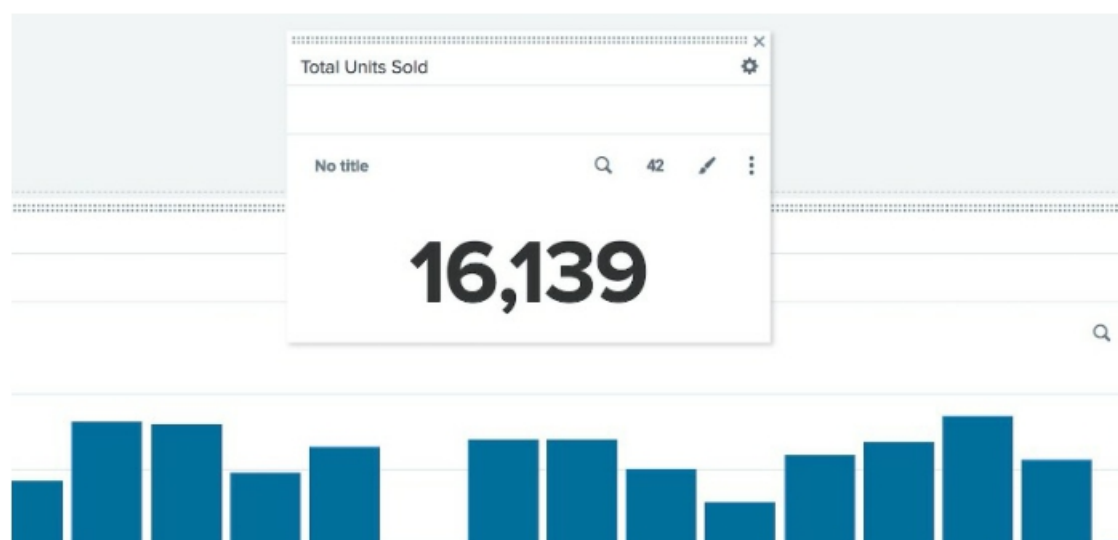
- Dashboard: *Existing*
- Dashboard Title: *Sales Dashboard*
- Panel Title: *Total Units Sold*

24. Once saved, click **View Dashboard**.

25. The `Total Units Sold` panel is probably the first item our CFO will want to see. Click the **Edit** button at the top of the dashboard.

26. Click and hold the bar at the top of the `Total Units Sold` panel and drag the panel to the top of the dashboard. Once in place, drop and click **Save**.

Example:



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- 27.** What other panels might be useful to the CFO? Return to some of the searches you have previously run, and add them to the dashboard.

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3. Use the `stats count` function to count the events by `clientip` and rename the count to attempts.
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(`index=main sourcetype=access_combined_wcookie status=403 | stats count as attempts by clientip | sort -attempts`)
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6. Use the **Save As** menu (above the time range picker) to select **Report**.
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Example:

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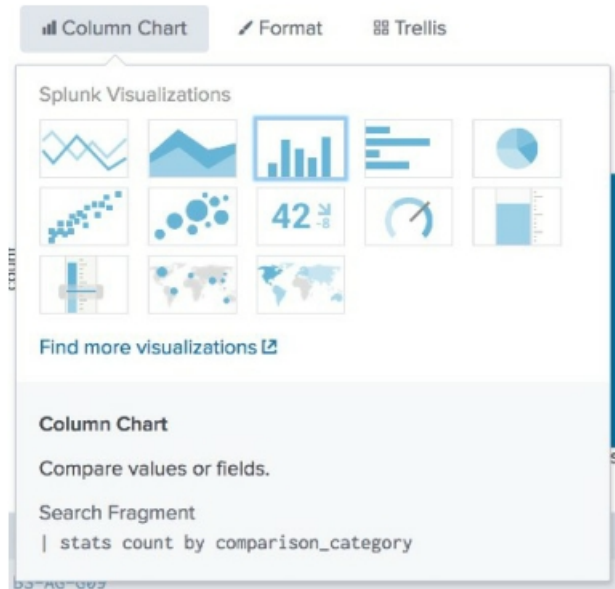
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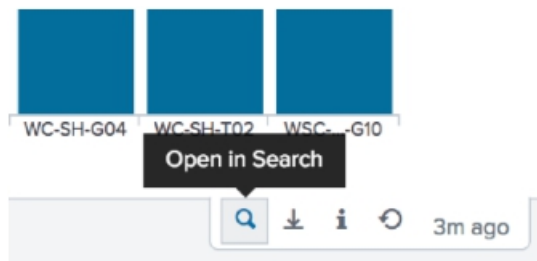
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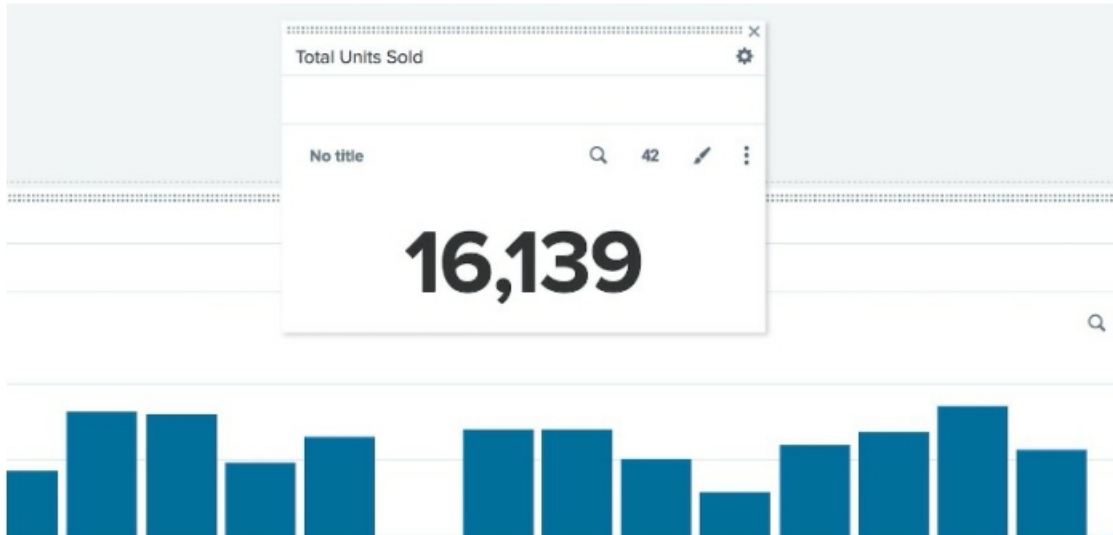
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