

Reference Data Administration

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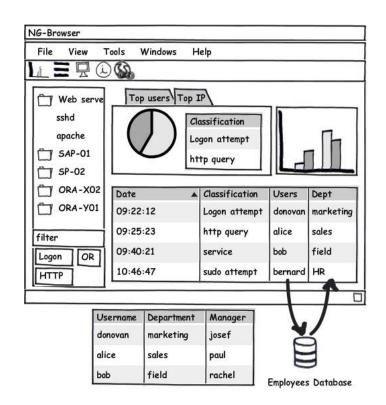
Summary

- Overview
- Process
- Configuration
 - Cache definition
 - Translator definition
- Reload Cache
- Troubleshooting



Overview

- Goal
 - Enrich forensics and controls with additional data
- Method
 - Done at normalization
 - Inserted in NG|Storage
 - Creates Caches (Key → Values)
 - Replace or complete fields





Overview

- External data sources that could be used to populate cache
 - SQL Databases
 - LDAP Directories
 - CSV Files
- Cache with key/values pairs
 - Key → existing field in collected events
- Poll external data sources or read local CSV file
 - Create local cache → Not querying external sources every time



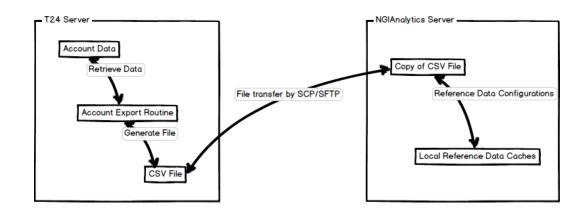
Process

- 1. Querying external source on reload cache
 - Building local cache
- 1. On normalization event, reference data will be queried
- 2. If translator for event exists, will look in reference data cache
- 3. If entry in cache is found, add values to normalized events



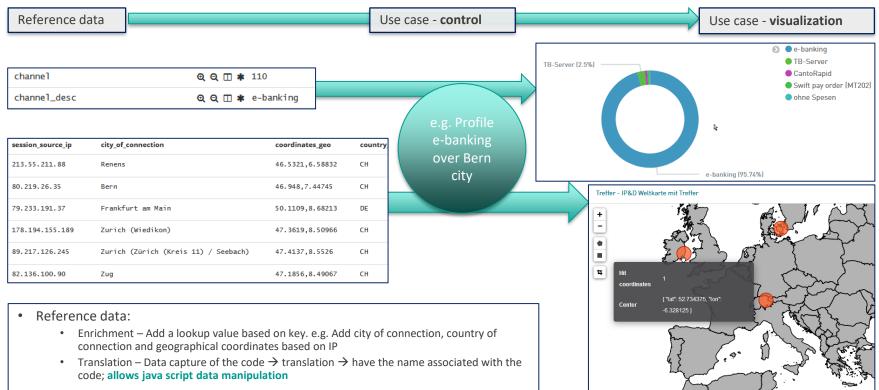
Example: T24 Accounts

- Retrieval of data
 - When T24 on external DB: Direct poll on Account table
 - T24 Routine extracting data to CSV file. CSV will then be sent to NG|Screener server (cf. automation training)
- Examples
 - Dormant accounts
 - Posting restrictions
 - Account category





Examples of Reference Data





Configuration

- Two different configurations
 - Cache definition
 - /etc/ng-screener/common/referenceData/
 - Mapping to Business data model
 - /etc/ng-screener/daemon/modules/feeding/translators/
- XML file format
 - In each case, sample available
 - /etc/ng-screener/common/referenceData/samples/
 - /etc/ng-screener/daemon/modules/feeding/translators/samples/
- Tenant information should be provided (example in the following slides)



Cache definition

- Configuration file composed of three parts
 - Tenant information
 - Data source part
 - Where to search for data
 - CSV, LDAP, Database configuration
 - Cachegroup part
 - Cache definition
 - One cache group per CSV file (or query on database)
 - Query: Select statement to get data for cache creation
 - Cache: one cache definition per key



Translator definition

- Composed of two parts
 - Sources part
 - To which service/host combination to apply caches
 - service@host@tenant
 - * wildcard available
 - Translator parts
 - Map key and value from cache to Business data model fields
 - BDM_field_name=Cache_field_name
 - One key tag (possible composite keys)
 - Multiple values
 - Option for values: replace or append
 - Default action: replace





Example: CSV file

- Dormant account example
- Account.csv file with
 - ACCOUNT_NUM as key
 - ACCOUNT_NAME as first value
 - INACTIVITY_MARKER as second value
- CSV must contain header used as column name (see figure)

ACCOUNT_NUM	ACCOUNT_NAME	INACTIVITY_MARKER
123456	Acc1	N
234567	Acc2	Υ
345678	Acc3	N



Example: CSV source

- Cache configuration example
 - Separator and path defined for CSV file
- In cachegroup
 - Query with SELECT csv_column_name1, csv_column_name2, ... FROM csv_filename_without_ext
 - Cache definition as KEY -> VALUE_1, VALUE_2, ..., VALUE_N

```
<cacheconfig>
    <tenant>DEFAULT</tenant>
   <datasource type="csv">
       <!--<connectionRetryDelay>0</connectionRetryDelay> -->
       <!--<maxConnections>0</maxConnections> -->
       <!--<fetchSize>50000</fetchSize> -->
       <separator>;</separator>
       <!--<fileExtension>.csv</fileExtension> -->
       <!--<suppressHeaders>false</suppressHeaders> -->
       <!--<headerLine></headerLine> -->
       <!--<skipLeadingDataLines>0</skipLeadingDataLines> -->
       <path>/home/ng-screener/</path>
   </datasource>
    <cachegroup name="ACCOUNT" cacheInMemorySize="50000" cacheRefresh="86400">
       <query>
           select ACCOUNT NUM, ACCOUNT NAME, INACTIVITY MARKER from Account
       <cache name="AccountNum AccountNameInactivityMarker" inMemorySize="30000">
           ACCOUNT NUM -> ACCOUNT NAME, INACTIVITY MARKER
       </cache>
   </cachegroup>
</cacheconfig>
```



Example: CSV source

- Translator configuration example
 - Source: Apply to all host with temenosT24Transaction service
 - Translator
 - Key: map ACCOUNT_NUM in CSV to transaction_sender_account_id in BDM
 - Values: BDM Field=CSV Field (BDM could be extended)



Example: Historical values

- If controls are executed in the past, reference data could not be relevant anymore
 - Reference data relevant for current day NOT necessarily for past days
- Timestamp of reference data should be added
 - Reference data could be defined on composite key
 - ID + Timestamp
 - Timestamp should not have to match → Upper or lower bounds could be specified





Example: Historical values

Cache definition part

Matching on the keys. Provided in the format "first key, second key, ..."

In this example, we have an exact match on FX_BASE_CCY. "lower" means we will find the closest date up to the date in the data

Format of the different keys using the same format as for keyMatch. In this example FX_BASE_CCY is a string and FX_DATE is a date.

For specific types (keyClass parameter) a format has to be defined. It is the case for date format. In this example, the date that we have in FX_DATE as the format 'dd.MM.yyyy'.



Example: Historical values

Translator format

Both key are defined. In the example the FX_BASE_CCY key will be found in transaction_sender_currency in BDM. FX_DATE will be found in transaction date

As for the cache definition, the type (class) and format for the date should be defined.

Note: In the cache we define the format of the date as it is in the cache. Here we define it as it is in the date in BDM.



Scripted Fields

Description

- Make transformations on/using existing fields
- JavaScript language
- Evaluated last
 - Can use fields that are coming from Reference data itself

Configuration

- In translator configuration
- Add <scriptedField> tag
- Composed of
 - <field>: field to be added or overwritten
 - <script>: script to be executed to apply the transformation





Examples of scripted fields usage

From timestamp obtain:

- Part of day
- Day of week

Translate unexpected input values:

- Obtain country name from city names: e.g. MIES-TANNAY → CH; Mauren FL → LI

Replace comma with point inside amounts retrieved as text

Extract ISO-2 letter country code from:

- SWIFT/BIC: characters 5&6: e.g. UBSWCHZH80A → CH

- IBAN: characters 1&2: e.g. RO54BRDE360... → RO



Example: Scripted fields (1/2)

```
<!-- Sample to overwrite an existing field -->
<scriptedField overwrite="true">
    <field>existing field</field>
    <script>event['business reference'] + ' HardCodedString'</script>
</scriptedField>
<!-- Sample to add a new field. Nothing done if the field already exists -->
<scriptedField>
    <field>day of week</field>
    <script>["Sunday", "Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "Friday", "Saturday"] [new Date(event['@timestamp']).getDay()]
</scriptedField>
<!-- Samples of string processing -->
   <scriptedField>
       <field>transaction receiver bank</field>
       <script>event['transaction receiver branch id'] ? (event['transaction receiver branch id'] || '').trim().split(" ").slice(-1)[0] : 'Unknown'
       </script>
   </scriptedField>
   <scriptedField>
     <field>transaction receiver bank reference</field>
     <script>(event['transaction receiver bank id'] || '').trim().split(" ").slice(0, -1).join(" ").trim()
     </script>
   </scriptedField>
   <scriptedField overwrite="true">
       <field>transaction receiver bank country</field>
       <script>event['transaction receiver branch id'] ? (event['transaction receiver branch id'].trim().split(" ").slice(-1)[0].substring(4,6)) :
       (event['transaction receiver account id'] ? ((match = (event['transaction receiver account id'] ||
       '').trim().split(/\s/).slice-1)[0].match(/([A-Z]{2,3})[0-9]+/)) ? match[1] : (event['transaction receiver account id'] ||
       '').trim().split(/\s/).slice(-1)[0].substring(4,6)) : 'Unknown')
       </script>
   </scriptedField>
```

Example: Scripted fields (2/2)

```
<!-- Sample of replacing , with . in amount -->
    <scriptedField overwrite="true">
      <field>transaction sender charges amount</field>
      <script>(event['transaction sender charges amount'] || '').trim().replace(/,$/,'').replace(',', '.')
      </script>
    </scriptedField>
<!-- Sample for adding normalization time and date -->
   <scriptedField>
       <field>normalization date trx pillars</field>
       <script>new Date().toLocaleString()
        </script>
    </scriptedField>
<!--Sample for adding a field with a fixed value - useful to identify new customers -->
    <scriptedField>
        <field>new object identifier</field>
        <script>"NC"
        </script>
    </scriptedField>
<!--Sample of function -->
   <scriptedField overwrite="true">
     <field>receiver bank id desc</field>
     <script>(function(){
         var bank type = event['receiver bank type'],
         receiver bank id desc;
          if (bank type.indexOf('BP') !== -1 ) {
            receiver bank id desc=event['receiver bank id desc'];}
         else {
              receiver bank id desc=event['receiver bank id'];
         return (receiver bank id desc | | '');
        }) ()
     </script>
    </scriptedField>
```



Reload Cache

- To reflect changes happening on external data sources to local cache, reload of them is needed
- Two ways to reload
 - Using ngadmin command line tool
 - ngadmin -tenant=TENANT_NAME referencedata_reloadCaches [-g | --group] [--clear] [-h | --help]
 - Specify cacheRefresh property on cachegroup tag
- Preferred method: ngadmin command with an entry in crontab
- When configuration has changed (either cache or translator*), ng-screener has to be restarted
 - sudo systemctl restart ng-screener
- *For only translator modifications, ng-screener restart is not mandatory, it can be replaced with a faster command:
 - ngadmin reload





Useful commands for verification

- ngadmin referencedata_listCaches -a
 - List caches state and size (-a)

- ngadmin referencedata_listCacheEntries -k channel
 -1 50
 - Using key (-k) channel, display the first 50 lines of this cache (-l)

- ngadmin referencedata_listCacheEntries -k channel
 -s 13
 - Displays the value from *channel* for the key 13





Troubleshooting

- If problem when reloading cache, use verbose mode
 - sudo ngadmin -v referencedata_reloadCaches
- Force reloading of caches
 - sudo ngadmin referencedata_reloadCaches --clear
- Check application logs
 - tail -f /var/log/ng-screener/daemon/daemonreferencedata.log
 - tail -f /var/log/ng-screener/daemon/daemon-all.log
- Reference data caches are stored in NG|Storage



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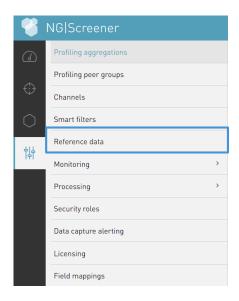
- If reference data is not present in NG|Storage, check the following
 - ng-screener service has been restarted
 - Caches have been successfully reloaded (no errors in log files)
 - Data in NG | Storage has been reloaded
 - data_removeEntries
 - data_launchInitialProcessing

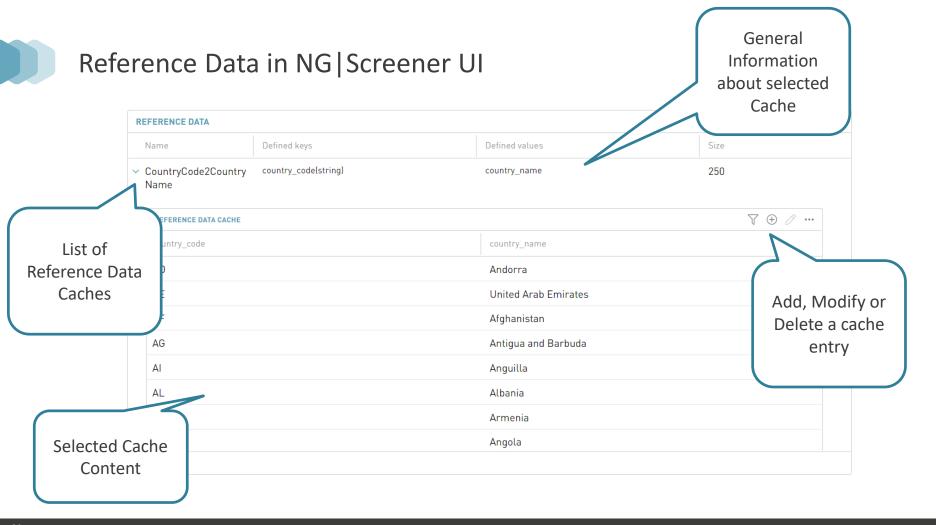


Reference Data in NG | Screener UI

- In admin part of NG|Screener UI
- Can visualize cache defined

- New entries can be added from there
 - Whitelist or blacklist usage for example







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