Smart Splunk-Teams-MCP Integration Documentation

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Overview

The Smart Splunk-Teams-MCP Integration (complete_smart_app.py) is an intelligent alert processing system that:

- Receives Splunk alerts via webhook
- **Dynamically discovers** available Kubernetes tools from MCP servers
- Intelligently analyzes alerts and decides on appropriate actions
- Automatically restarts pods when beneficial
- Sends rich notifications to Microsoft Teams with analysis results

Key Features

- **Smart Tool Discovery**: Automatically adapts to any MCP server
- Intelligent Pod Restart Logic: Context-aware restart decisions
- **III Rich Teams Cards**: Detailed adaptive cards with analysis
- **Production Safety**: Environment-aware safety checks
- **Q Comprehensive Logging**: Full traceability of actions

Installation & Setup

Prerequisites

- 1. Python 3.7+ with pip
- 2. **Node.js** (if your MCP server is Node.js-based)
- 3. **kubectl** configured for your Kubernetes cluster
- 4. Microsoft Teams webhook URL
- 5. MCP Server (Kubernetes-enabled)

Install Dependencies

```
# Clone or download the application
# Navigate to the directory containing complete_smart_app.py

# Install Python dependencies
pip install flask requests

# Or using requirements.txt (create if needed)
echo "flask>=2.0.0" > requirements.txt
echo "requests>=2.25.0" >> requirements.txt
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

MCP Server Setup

Ensure your MCP server is configured and accessible:

```
bash

# Test your MCP server manually
node /path/to/your/mcp-server/index.js

# Verify kubectl access
kubectl get pods --all-namespaces
```

Configuration

Environment Variables

Set the following environment variables:

bash		

```
# Required: Teams webhook URL

export TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL="https://outlook.office.com/webhook/your-webhook-url"

# Required: MCP server configuration

export MCP_SERVER_PATH="/path/to/your/mcp-server/index.js"

export MCP_SERVER_COMMAND="node"

# Optional: Timeout and port settings

export MCP_TIMEOUT="60"

export PORT="5000"

export DEBUG="false"
```

Windows Configuration

```
# Windows Command Prompt

set TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL=https://outlook.office.com/webhook/your-webhook-url

set MCP_SERVER_PATH=C:\path\to\mcp-server\index.js

set MCP_SERVER_COMMAND=node

# Windows PowerShell

$env:TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL="https://outlook.office.com/webhook/your-webhook-url"

$env:MCP_SERVER_PATH="C:\path\to\mcp-server\index.js"

$env:MCP_SERVER_COMMAND="node"
```

Teams Webhook Setup

- 1. Go to your Teams channel
- 2. Click "..." → Connectors → Incoming Webhook
- 3. Configure the webhook and copy the URL
- 4. Set the URL in TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL environment variable

Running the Application

Start the Server



Verify Server is Running

```
bash

# Test health endpoint
curl http://localhost:5000/health

# Expected response:
{

"status": "healthy",
"timestamp": "2025-01-15T10:30:00.00000",
"service": "smart-splunk-teams-mcp-forwarder"
}
```

Testing Instructions

1. Basic Health Check

```
bash
curl -X GET http://localhost:5000/health
```

2. Test Smart Tool Discovery

```
bash

curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/test-smart-mapping \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{
    "namespace": "default",
    "pod_name": "test-pod"
}'
```

Expected Response:

```
json
"status": "success",
"message": "Smart mapping test completed",
 "results": {
  "discovery_success": true,
  "capabilities": {
   "pod_status": {
    "tool_name": "describe_pod",
    "confidence": 0.85,
    "description": "Get detailed pod information"
   "pod_logs": {
    "tool_name": "get_logs",
    "confidence": 0.90,
    "description": "Retrieve pod logs"
  "test_calls": {
   "pod_status": {
    "success": true,
    "tool_used": "describe_pod"
```

3. Test Basic Alert (No MCP)

```
bash

curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/test-alert-basic \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{
    "search_name": "Basic Test Alert",
    "severity": "Medium"
}'
```

4. Test Full Smart Alert Processing

bash			

```
curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/test-alert \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{
    "search_name": "Memory Leak Detection",
    "severity": "Critical",
    "kubernetes_namespace": "staging",
    "kubernetes_container_name": "api-server",
    "_raw": "OutOfMemoryError detected in container, pod restart recommended"
}
```

5. Simulate Real Splunk Webhook

```
bash

curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/splunk-alert \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{

"search_name": "Pod CrashLoopBackOff Alert",

"severity": "High",

"host": "k8s-worker-01",

"trigger_time": "2025-01-15 14:30:00",

"result_count": 5,

"view_link": "https://splunk.company.com/app/search/alert/12345",

"kubernetes_namespace": "production",

"kubernetes_container_name": "payment-service",

"guid": "alert-guid-12345",

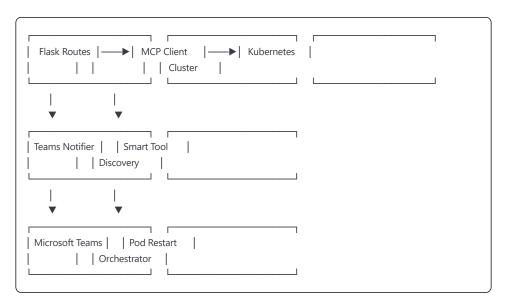
"_raw": "Pod payment-service in production namespace is in CrashLoopBackOff state",

"description": "Payment service pod is crashing repeatedly"

}'
```

Code Architecture

The application follows a modular architecture with four main components:



MCP Client Implementation

SimpleMCPClient Class

The (SimpleMCPClient) handles communication with MCP (Model Context Protocol) servers via stdin/stdout.

Key Features:

- Asynchronous communication with MCP servers
- JSON-RPC 2.0 protocol implementation
- Timeout handling and error recovery
- **Subprocess management** for MCP server processes

Core Methods:

```
python

class SimpleMCPClient:
    def __init__(self):
        self.server_command = MCP_SERVER_COMMAND # e.g., "node"
        self.server_path = MCP_SERVER_PATH # Path to MCP server
        self.timeout = MCP_TIMEOUT # Request timeout

async def call_mcp_tool(self, tool_name, params):
    """Main method to call any MCP tool"""

async def _call_mcp_server(self, mcp_request):
    """Low-level MCP server communication"""
```

Communication Flow:

1. Request Formation: Creates JSON-RPC 2.0 request

```
python

mcp_request = {
    "jsonrpc": "2.0",
    "id": 1,
    "method": "tools/call",
    "params": {
        "name": tool_name,
        "arguments": params
    }
}
```

2. **Process Management**: Spawns MCP server subprocess

```
python

process = await asyncio.create_subprocess_exec(
    self.server_command,
    self.server_path,
    stdin=asyncio.subprocess.PIPE,
    stdout=asyncio.subprocess.PIPE,
    stderr=asyncio.subprocess.PIPE
```

3. **Communication**: Sends request and receives response

```
python

stdout, stderr = await asyncio.wait_for(
    process.communicate(input=request_json.encode()),
    timeout=self.timeout
)
```

4. **Response Processing**: Parses JSON response and handles errors

```
python

if 'result' in response:
    return response['result']
elif 'error' in response:
    raise Exception(f"MCP server error: {response['error']}")
```

Error Handling:

- Timeout Errors: Handles MCP server timeouts gracefully
- JSON Parse Errors: Validates and reports malformed responses
- **Server Errors**: Propagates MCP server-specific errors
- Process Errors: Manages subprocess communication failures

Smart Tool Discovery & Mapping

SmartToolMapper Class

The (SmartToolMapper) is the intelligence layer that automatically discovers and maps MCP tools to application intents.

Core Concepts:

- 1. Intent Signatures: Patterns that define what we're looking for
- 2. **Parameter Mapping**: Rules to adapt parameters to different tool schemas
- 3. **Confidence Scoring**: Algorithmic matching to find best tools
- 4. Schema Adaptation: Dynamic parameter conversion

Intent Signatures:

```
python

self.intent_signatures = {
    'pod_status': {
        'name_patterns': [r'describe.*pod', r'get.*pod.*status', r'pod.*info'],
        'desc_patterns': [r'describe.*pod', r'pod.*status', r'pod.*detail'],
        'required_words': ['pod'],
        'exclude_words': ['delete', 'create', 'update', 'list'],
        'weight': {'name': 0.7, 'desc': 0.3}
    },
    'pod_logs': {
        'name_patterns': [r'get.*log', r'log', r'tail'],
        'desc_patterns': [r'log', r'tail', r'output'],
        'required_words': ['log'],
        'exclude_words': ['delete', 'create'],
        'weight': {'name': 0.8, 'desc': 0.2}
    }
    # ... more intents
}
```

Discovery Process:

1. Tool Enumeration: Gets all available tools from MCP server

```
tools_response = await mcp_client.call_mcp_tool('tools/list', {})
self.available_tools = tools_response['tools']
```

2. Pattern Matching: Matches tools to intents using regex and keywords

3. **Confidence Ranking**: Ranks tools by match confidence and selects best

```
python

candidates.sort(key=lambda x: x['score'], reverse=True)

if candidates and candidates[0]['score'] > 0.3:

return candidates[0] # Only return if confidence is reasonable
```

Parameter Adaptation:

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```
self.param_mappings = {
   'pod_name': {
       'candidates': ['name', 'pod_name', 'pod', 'resource_name'],
       'type': 'string',
       'required': True
   },
   'namespace': {
       'candidates': ['namespace', 'ns', 'nameSpace', 'project'],
       'type': 'string',
       'required': True
   }
   # ... more mappings
}
```

The mapper automatically converts our standard parameters to whatever format the discovered tool expects.

Smart Execution:

```
python

async def execute_smart_call(self, mcp_client, intent, intent_params):

# Find the right tool for this intent

capability = self.tool_capabilities[intent]

tool = capability['tool']

# Adapt our parameters to tool's expected format

param_result = self.adapt_parameters(intent_params, tool)

# Execute the call with adapted parameters

result = await mcp_client.call_mcp_tool(tool['name'], param_result['params'])
```

Teams Notification System

send_alert_to_teams Function

The Teams notification system creates rich, interactive Adaptive Cards that provide comprehensive alert information and analysis results.

Key Features:

- Adaptive Cards: Rich, interactive cards with structured data
- **Dynamic Styling**: Color-coded based on alert severity
- Smart Analysis Display: Shows Al analysis with appropriate icons
- Action Buttons: Quick links to Splunk and other resources

• Responsive Layout: Works across Teams clients

Adaptive Card Structure:

```
python
adaptive_card = {
  "type": "message",
  "attachments": [{
    "contentType": "application/vnd.microsoft.card.adaptive",
    "content": {
       "type": "AdaptiveCard",
       "version": "1.4",
       "body": [
         # Header section with alert icon and title
         # Alert details (severity, host, time, etc.)
         # Kubernetes information (namespace, container)
         # AI analysis results with status indicators
         # Recommended actions
         # Raw log data (if available)
       ],
       "actions": [
         # Link to view in Splunk
  }]
```

Alert Severity Color Mapping:

```
python

color_map = {
    'critical': 'Attention', # Red theme
    'high': 'Warning', # Orange theme
    'medium': 'Good', # Green theme
    'low': 'Accent' # Blue theme
}
```

Al Analysis Status Indicators:

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```
if mcp_status == 'success':
    mcp_emoji = " ▼ " # Success - actions completed
elif mcp_status == 'partial':
    mcp_emoji = " ▲ " # Warning - partial success
else:
    mcp_emoji = " ▼ " # Error - failed analysis
```

Data Processing:

1. Extract Alert Data: Pulls information from Splunk webhook

```
python

alert_name = alert_data.get('search_name', 'Unknown Alert')
severity = alert_data.get('severity', 'Medium')
k8s_namespace = alert_data.get('kubernetes_namespace')
k8s_container = alert_data.get('kubernetes_container_name')
```

2. Process MCP Analysis: Extracts Al analysis results

```
python

mcp_status = mcp_analysis.get('status', 'unknown')

analysis_text = mcp_analysis.get('analysis', 'No analysis available')

recommended_actions = mcp_analysis.get('recommended_actions', [])

restart_executed = mcp_analysis.get('restart_executed', False)

tools_discovered = mcp_analysis.get('tools_discovered', False)
```

3. Build Dynamic Content: Creates sections based on available data

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4. Format Recommended Actions: Creates bullet list for actions

```
python

if recommended_actions:
    actions_text = "\n".join([f"* {action}" for action in recommended_actions])
```

5. Handle Raw Logs: Truncates and formats log data

```
python

if raw_log:
    truncated_log = raw_log[:300] + "..." if len(raw_log) > 300 else raw_log

# Add as monospace text block
```

HTTP Delivery:

```
python

response = requests.post(TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL, json=adaptive_card, timeout=10)

if response.status_code == 200:
    logger.info("Successfully sent alert to Teams")
    return True
else:
    logger.error(f"Teams webhook failed: {response.status_code} - {response.text}")
    return False
```

Pod Restart Orchestrator

SmartPodRestartOrchestrator Class

The orchestrator is the main intelligence engine that coordinates alert analysis, investigation, and response actions.

Workflow Overview:

```
\mathsf{Alert} \to \mathsf{Classify} \to \mathsf{Investigate} \to \mathsf{Decide} \to \mathsf{Act} \to \mathsf{Verify} \to \mathsf{Report}
```

Key Methods:

- 1. analyze_and_respond: Main orchestration method
- 2. _discover_capabilities: MCP tool discovery
- 3. **_smart_investigate**: Kubernetes state investigation
- 4. _classify_alert: Alert type classification
- 5. **_should_restart_pod**: Restart decision logic
- 6. **_smart_restart_pod**: Pod restart execution
- 7. **_smart_verify_restart**: Post-restart verification

Alert Classification Logic:

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```
def _classify_alert(self, alert_data):
  alert_name = alert_data.get('search_name', '').lower()
  raw_log = alert_data.get('_raw', '').lower()
  # Memory issues - very high restart likelihood
  if any(keyword in alert_name + raw_log for keyword in ['memory', 'oom', 'heap', 'leak']):
    return {
       'type': 'memory_issue',
       'restart_likelihood': 'very_high',
       'reason': 'Memory issues typically resolved by pod restart'
  # Connection/timeout issues - very high restart likelihood
  if any(keyword in alert_name + raw_log for keyword in ['connection', 'timeout', 'hang', 'stuck']):
    return {
       'type': 'connection_issue',
       'restart_likelihood': 'very_high',
       'reason': 'Connection issues usually resolved by pod restart'
  # More classification rules...
```

Restart Decision Matrix:

Restart Likelihood	Critical Severity	Non-Critical	Production	Non-Production
Very High	Restart	Restart	Restart	Restart
High	Restart	<u></u> Manual	▲ Manual	Restart
Medium	Restart	▲ Manual	▲ Manual	<u></u> Manual
Low	▲ Manual	<u></u> Manual	<u></u> Manual	▲ Manual
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Smart Investigation Process:

1. Pod Status Check:

```
python

result = await self.tool_mapper.execute_smart_call(
    self.mcp_client,
    intent='pod_status',
    intent_params={
        'pod_name': container,
        'namespace': namespace
    }
)
```

2. Log Retrieval:

```
python

result = await self.tool_mapper.execute_smart_call(
    self.mcp_client,
    intent='pod_logs',
    intent_params={
        'pod_name': container,
        'namespace': namespace,
        'log_lines': 50
    }
)
```

3. Context Gathering:

```
python

result = await self.tool_mapper.execute_smart_call(
    self.mcp_client,
    intent='pod_list',
    intent_params={
        'namespace': namespace
    }
)
```

Restart Execution with Verification:

```
python

async def _smart_restart_pod(self, alert_data):
    # Execute restart using discovered tool

result = await self.tool_mapper.execute_smart_call(
    self.mcp_client,
    intent='pod_restart',
    intent_params={
        'pod_name': container,
        'namespace': namespace
    }
)

# Process results and create detailed response
if result['success']:
    restart_result['success'] = True
    restart_result['tool_used'] = result['tool_used']
    restart_result['message'] = f"Successfully restarted {namespace}/{container} using {result['tool_used']}"
```

Post-Restart Verification:

```
python
async def _smart_verify_restart(self, alert_data):
    # Wait for restart to complete
    await asyncio.sleep(30)

# Check if pods are running again
    result = await self.tool_mapper.execute_smart_call(
        self.mcp_client,
        intent='pod_list',
        intent_params={'namespace': namespace}
)
```

API Endpoints

Available Endpoints:

Endpoint	Method	Purpose	Description
/health	GET	Health Check	Basic server health verification
/splunk-alert	POST	Main Webhook	Primary Splunk alert processing endpoint
/test-alert	POST	Full Test	Test complete workflow with MCP analysis
/test-alert-basic	POST	Basic Test	Test without MCP (Teams notification only)
/test-smart-mapping	POST	Tool Discovery Test	Test smart tool discovery and mapping
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Endpoint Details:

/health - Health Check

```
bash
GET /health
```

Response:

```
json

{
    "status": "healthy",
    "timestamp": "2025-01-15T10:30:00.000000",
    "service": "smart-splunk-teams-mcp-forwarder"
}
```

/splunk-alert - Main Webhook

```
bash

POST /splunk-alert

Content-Type: application/json
```

Request Body:

```
| "search_name": "Alert Name",
| "severity": "High|Medium|Low|Critical",
| "host": "server-name",
| "trigger_time": "2025-01-15 14:30:00",
| "result_count": 5,
| "view_link": "https://splunk.company.com/alert/12345",
| "kubernetes_namespace": "production",
| "kubernetes_container_name": "api-server",
| "guid": "alert-guid-12345",
| "_raw": "Raw log data from alert",
| "description": "Alert description"
| }
```

Response:

```
json

{
    "status": "success",
    "message": "Alert processed and forwarded to Teams with smart MCP analysis",
    "mcp_status": "success",
    "restart_executed": true,
    "tools_discovered": true
}
```

/test-smart-mapping - Tool Discovery Test

```
bash

POST /test-smart-mapping

Content-Type: application/json
```

Request Body:

```
json
```

```
{
    "namespace": "default",
    "pod_name": "test-pod"
}
```

Response:

```
{
  "status": "success",
  "message": "Smart mapping test completed",
  "results": {
    "discovery_success": true,
    "capabilities": {
        "pod_status": {
            "tool_name": "describe_pod",
            "confidence": 0.85,
            "description": "Get detailed pod information"
        }
    },
    "test_calls": {
        "pod_status": {
        "pod_status": {
        "success": true,
        "tool_used": "describe_pod",
        "has_result": true
    }
}
}
```

Troubleshooting

Common Issues and Solutions:

1. Teams Webhook Not Configured

Error: A Teams webhook URL not configured!

Solution:

```
bash

export TEAMS_WEBHOOK_URL="https://outlook.office.com/webhook/your-actual-webhook-url"
```

2. MCP Server Not Found

Error: MCP server not found: /path/to/server

Solutions:

- Verify the path exists: (Is -la /path/to/your/mcp-server/)
- Check file permissions: (chmod +x /path/to/your/mcp-server/index.js)
- Test server manually: (node /path/to/your/mcp-server/index.js)

3. Tool Discovery Failure

Error: X Failed to discover MCP capabilities

Debug Steps:

1. Test MCP server connectivity:

bash

curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/test-smart-mapping

- 2. Check MCP server logs in application output
- 3. Verify kubectl access from server location:

bash

kubectl get pods --all-namespaces

4. Permission Denied for Kubernetes Operations

Error: (Error: Forbidden (user "..." cannot get resource "pods")

Solutions:

- Check kubectl configuration: (kubectl config current-context)
- Verify RBAC permissions for the service account
- Test kubectl access: (kubectl auth can-i get pods --namespace=your-namespace)

5. Teams Card Not Displaying

Issue: Teams receives notification but card doesn't render

Debug Steps:

- 1. Check Teams webhook response status
- 2. Validate Adaptive Card JSON structure
- 3. Test with basic alert: (curl -X POST http://localhost:5000/test-alert-basic)

6. High Memory Usage or Timeouts

Symptoms: Server becomes unresponsive or uses excessive memory

Solutions:

- Reduce MCP timeout: (export MCP_TIMEOUT="30")
- Monitor with: (top -p \$(pgrep -f complete_smart_app.py))
- Check MCP server resource usage
- Restart the application periodically in production

Debug Mode

Enable debug logging for detailed troubleshooting:

```
bash

export DEBUG="true"

python complete_smart_app.py
```

This will provide:

- Detailed HTTP request/response logs
- MCP communication traces
- Tool discovery process details
- Parameter mapping information

Log Analysis

Key log patterns to watch for:

- ✓ MCP capabilities discovered:) Successful tool discovery
- (Signature Restarting pod via smart mapping:) Pod restart attempt
- (X Smart restart failed:) Restart failure
- Successfully sent alert to Teams) Teams notification success
- MCP server stderr: MCP server error output

Production Considerations

- 1. Resource Limits: Set appropriate memory limits for the container
- 2. **Health Checks**: Monitor the (/health) endpoint
- 3. Log Rotation: Configure log rotation for the application
- 4. **Backup MCP Servers**: Consider fallback MCP server configurations
- 5. Rate Limiting: Implement rate limiting for webhook endpoints

6. **Monitoring**: Set up monitoring for failed Teams notifications and MCP calls

This documentation covers the complete Smart Splunk-Teams-MCP Integration system. For additional support or feature requests, please refer to the application logs and error messages for specific debugging information.