

How to Use Splunk to Detect and Defeat Fraud, Theft, and Abuse

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Personal introduction

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 - 4.5 years at Splunk
 - Previously Symantec Data Loss Prevention (Vontu)
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 - Product management for anti-fraud
 - 1 year at Splunk
 - Formerly anti-fraud consultant using Splunk at Morgan Stanley

Questions for You—Show of Hands

- Which of you has fraud or risk in your title/department?
- Which of you spends over 1/3 of your time on anti-fraud?
- Who works in the financial services industry? Retail?
- Who uses software (not Excel) to fight fraud?

Agenda

- Fraud, Theft, & Abuse 101
- Example fraud patterns and data sources
- Splunk technologies/Apps to help
- Demo

Splunk for Anti-Fraud, Theft, Abuse (“fraud”)

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Why You Should Care: Fraud is Costly



Business Moving Online Has Increased Fraud

Data breaches

No boundaries

Credential theft

More sophistication



Machine Data Contains Critical Fraud Insights

Sources



Card Payment System

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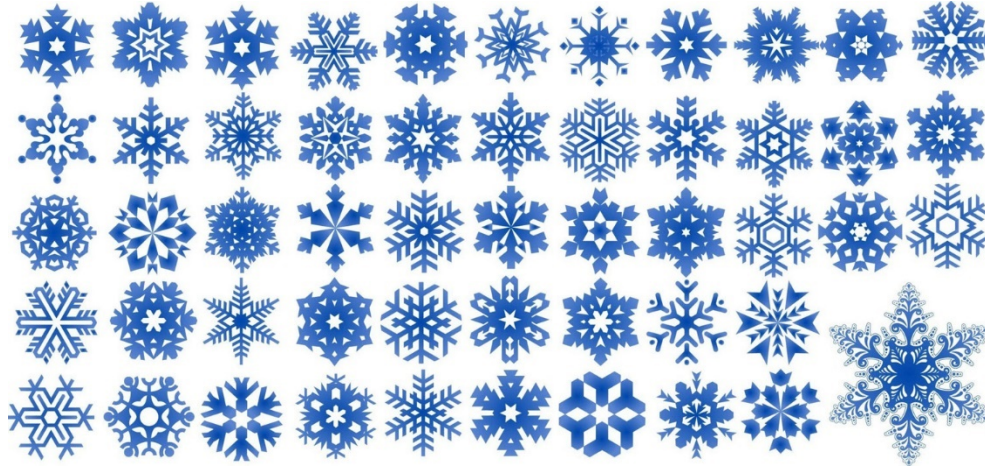
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Source IP Referring URL



Authentication

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User Name Source IP

Hundreds of Ways to Commit Fraud



- Not all are a good fit for Splunk – bribery, corruption, financial statements, etc.

Example Patterns of Fraud in Machine Data

	Industry	Type of Fraud	Pattern of Fraud
	Financial Services	Account takeover	Abnormally high \$ or velocity of transactions
	E-Tailing	Account takeover	Many accounts accessed from one IP/browser
	Health Care	Physician billing	Physician billing for drugs outside their expertise area
	Online education	Student loan fraud	Student w/loan has IP in “high-risk” country and is absent from classes and assignments

Example Patterns of Fraud in Machine Data

Industry	Type of Fraud	Employee Pattern of Fraud	Data Sources
All	Internal Fraud	On PTO but logging into critical systems	HR app, auth systems
		On payroll but never badging/logging in	HR app, badging systems
		Cashier: Abnormally high \$ of cash voids or no-receipt returns	POS terminals
		Finance: Skipping approval/workflow steps for vendor payments	Payment system, workflow app

Sample Fraud Indicators in Appendix



Over 50 more examples for financial services, ecommerce, health care, online education

Also In Appendix

How to catch a killer...and in-store shoplifters



Why Splunk for Fraud Detection?

Existing Fraud Tools



RIGID AND INFLEXIBLE



NARROW VIEW OF FRAUD

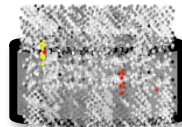


SCALE AND SPEED ISSUES



**DIFFICULT TO DEPLOY;
LIMITED ROI**

Splunk for Fraud



FLEXIBLE



BROAD VIEW



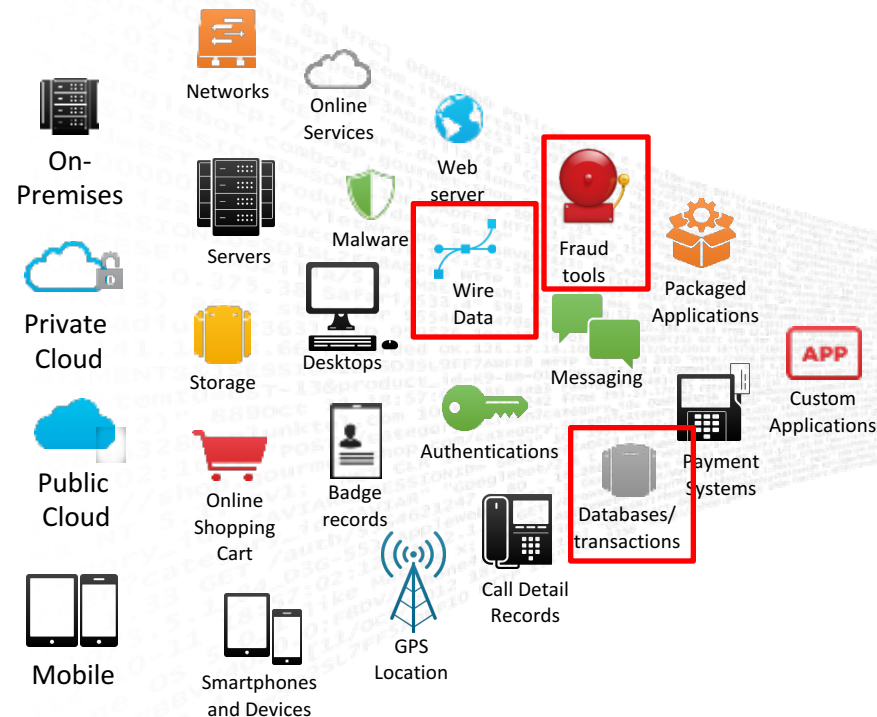
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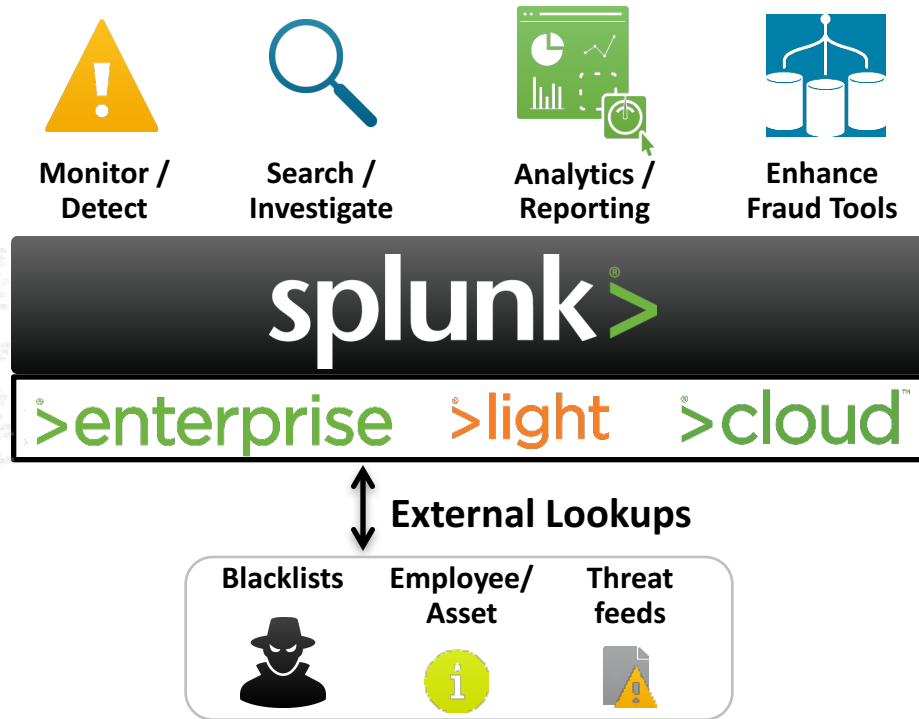
**FAST VALUE;
COMPELLING ROI**

Splunk: Machine Data Platform For Fraud Use Cases

Machine Data: Any Location, Type, Volume



Anti-Fraud Use Cases

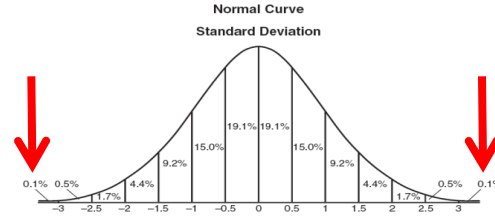


Use Case 1: Fraud Monitoring and Detection

1. Correlations/patterns

A AND B AND C NOT D = FRAUD

2. Anomalies/outliers off baseline



3. Risk scoring

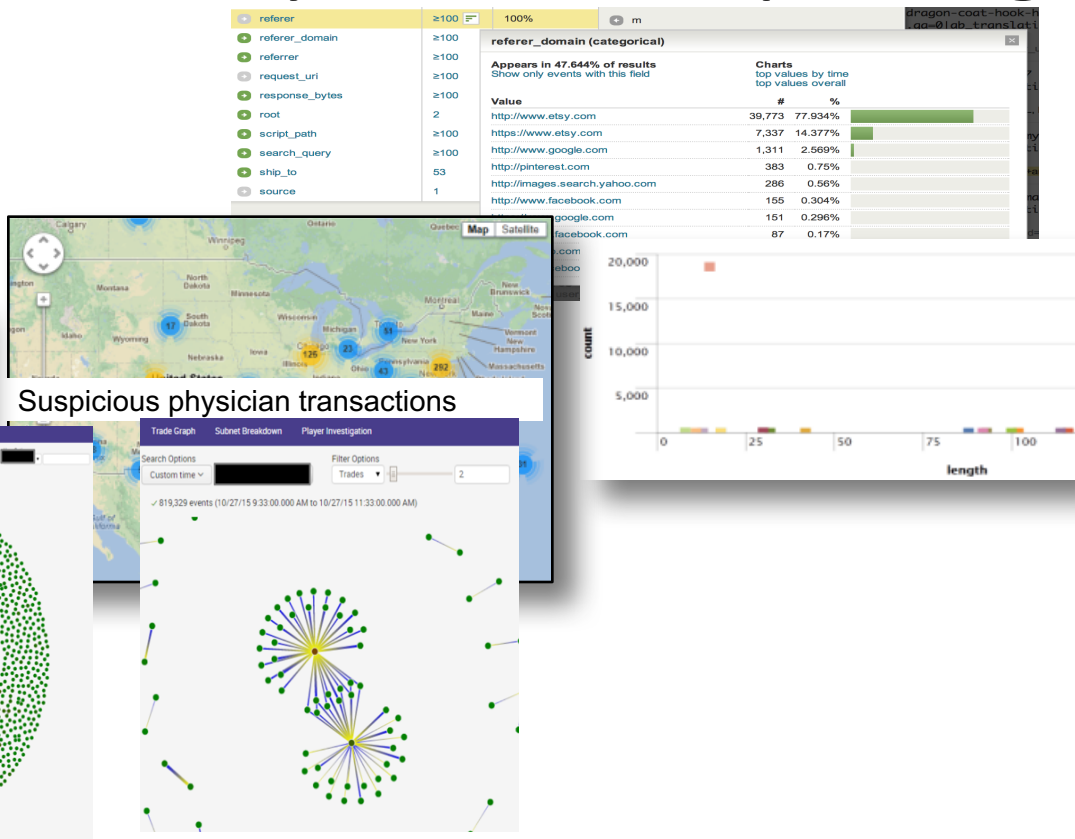
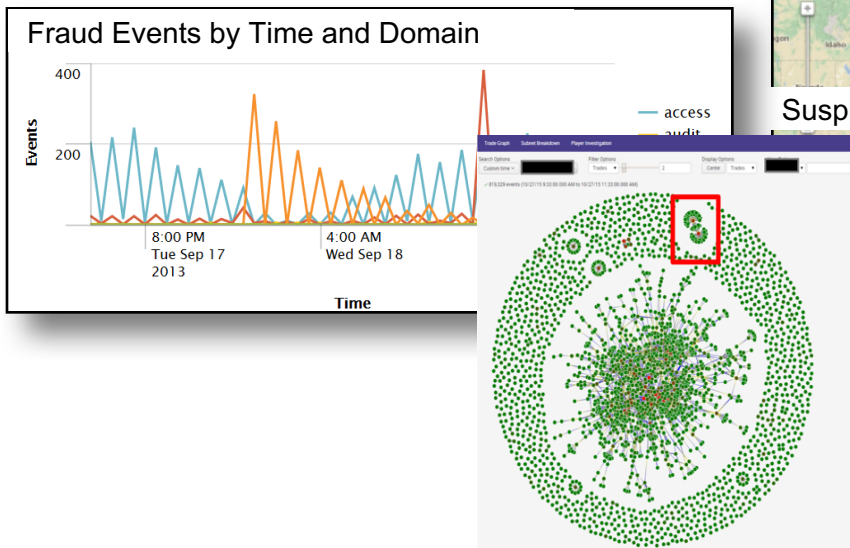
Web Site Session Activity						
Customer	New IP Address	New Browser	Changed Email Address	Changed Shipping Address	Order has Multiple #s of Same Item	Total
John Doe	5	0	0	0	0	5
Mike Smith	5	5	15	15	15	55
Jane Green	0	0	0	15	0	15



- Combine 1-3; use Key-Value Store for scale & maintaining state
- Alerts; Optionally can initiate automated remediation

Use Case #3 – Fraud Analytics and Reporting

- Many types of visualizations to measure and manage fraud risk
- Easy to create in Splunk



Use Case #4: Enhance Existing Fraud Tools

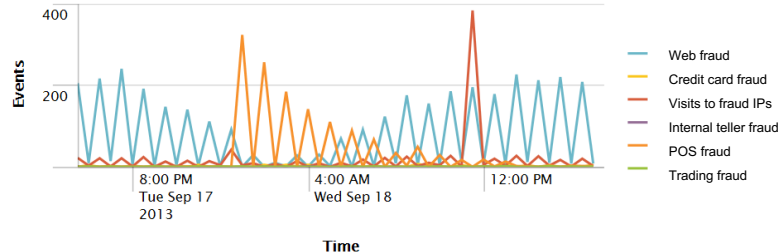
Collect data from existing, point fraud tools to:

- Give single transaction/event aggregate risk score
- Consolidated risk reporting to see overall risk posture and trends

Web Site Session Activity				
Session ID	Web fraud risk score	Credit card risk score	Threat Intel risk score	Splunk Total
1234567	0	2	0	2
7654321	6	9	15	30
1231789	1	2	0	3



Events by Fraud Tool

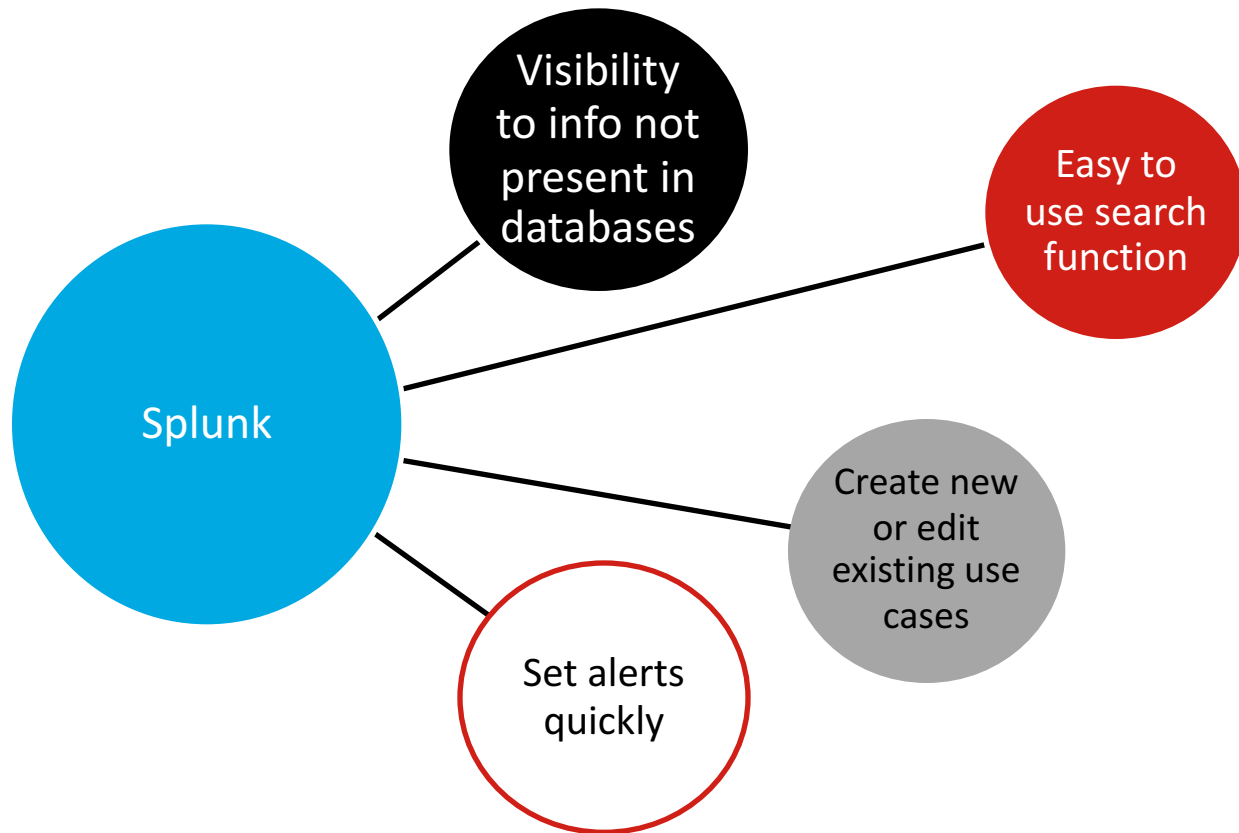


Splunk Product Offering

- No anti-fraud App
- Build content on Splunk Enterprise/Light
- Apps/TAs can help



Leading Wire Transfer Co: Advantages of Splunk



Finding Value With Splunk

- Helped with significant savings due to its ability to target behavior of known fraud rings
- Prevented more fraud losses in 2015 than past 2 years combined
- Double-digit year over year fraud loss decreases from 2014 to 2015

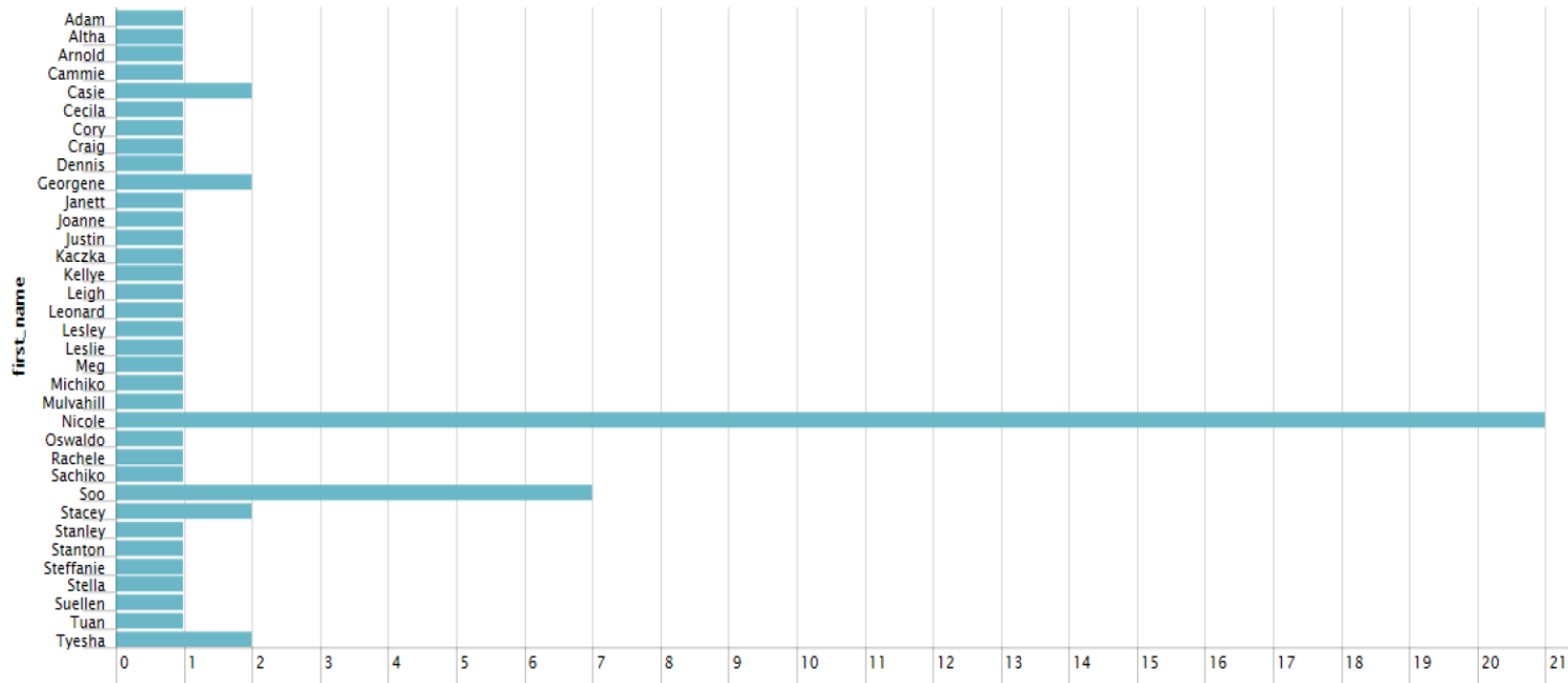
Top Takeaways



Reliant—Loss Prevention at Retail Stores

Splunk Use Case: Employee Returns Analysis

Number of returns by employee this month.



Case Studies in Appendix



In Appendix have over 15 customer success slides.

Also case studies online: Online Retailer, Orrstown Bank, PostFinance, Surescripts

Splunk Technologies / Apps To Help

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Advanced Technologies

- Splunk DB Connect
- Splunk App for Stream
- Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit

Splunk DB Connect

- Working with data from traditional databases
- Supports:
DB2/Linux, Informix, MemSQL, MySQL, AWS Aurora, Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, PostgreSQL, AWS RedShift, SAP SQL Anywhere, Sybase ASE, Sybase IQ, Teradata
- Get it here:
<https://splunkbase.splunk.com/app/2686/>

Use cases for structured data in Splunk



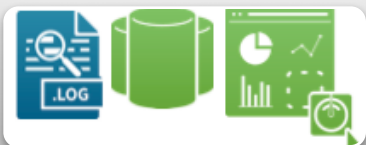
Index structured data from databases, such as sales records



Enrich machine data in Splunk with database records

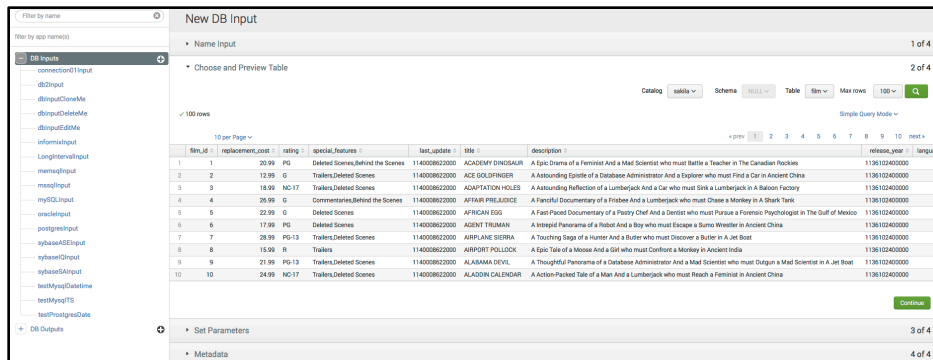


Update structured databases with Splunk info, such as risk scores

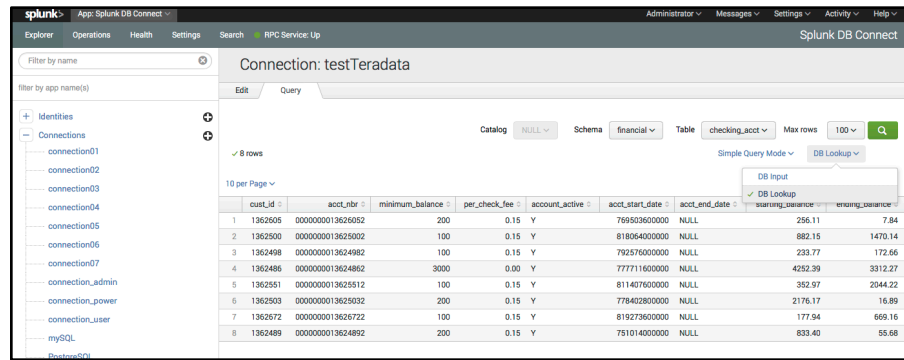


Interactively browse structured and unstructured data from Splunk reports

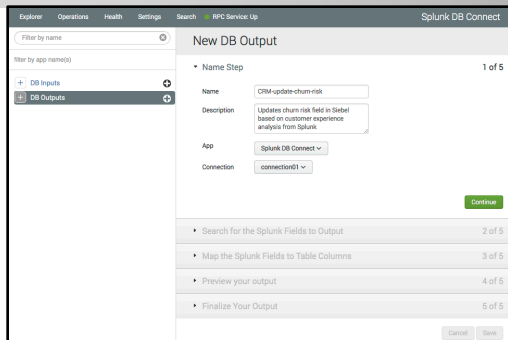
Splunk DB Connect



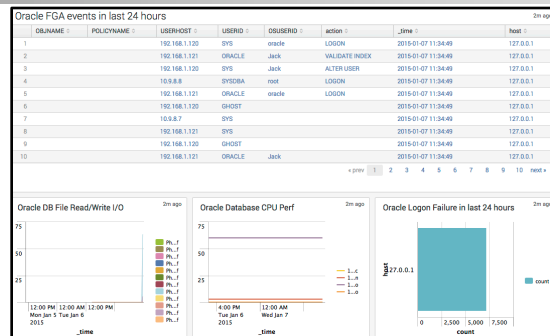
Index data from databases



Use databases as lookups



Export data to databases



Report on structured data

Splunk App for Stream

- Captures **real-time streaming wire** data from anywhere in your datacenter or from any public Cloud infrastructure.
- Capture **only relevant** data for analytics, through filters and aggregation rules.
- Correlate other data such as logs, events and metrics with wire data to gain valuable insights.
- Decrypt SSL-encrypted traffic.
- **Manage data volumes** with filtering.
- Get it here:
<https://splunkbase.splunk.com/app/1809/>

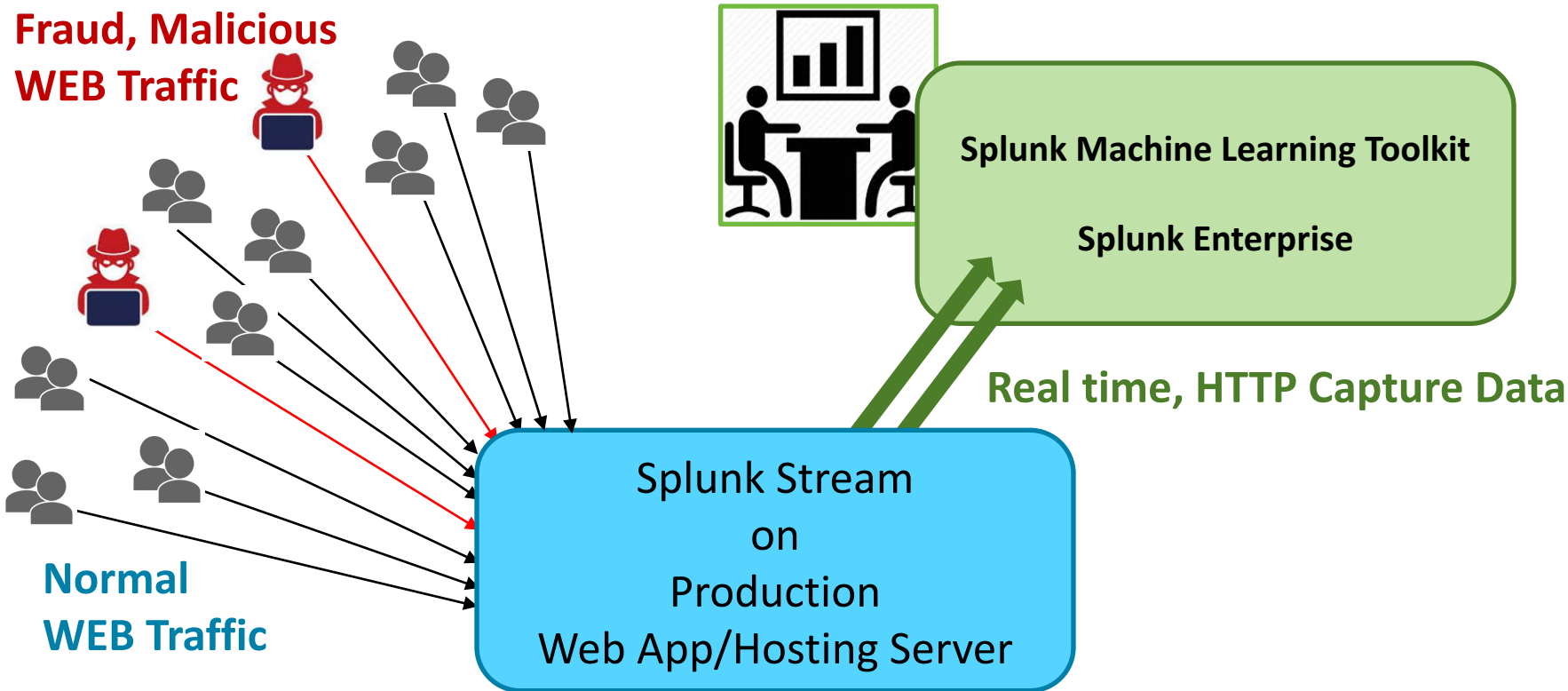
Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit

- Delivers custom visualizations, assistants, and examples to explore a variety of **machine learning concepts** + custom SPL commands.
- Ability to apply the visualizations and SPL commands to your own data.
- Assistants allows to **visually generate SPL** to cluster numeric events.
- Allows to **detect unknown unknowns** for Fraud and Security cases.
- Get it here:

<https://splunkbase.splunk.com/app/2890/>

Architecture of Fraud and Threat Detection

**Fraud, Malicious
WEB Traffic**



< Hide Fields	≡ All Fields	i	Time	Event
		>	1 9/14/16 2:13:31.647 PM	<pre>{ [-] bytes: 6478 bytes_in: 285 bytes_out: 6193 canceled: 1 connection_type: close cs_content_length: 34 cs_content_type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded cs_version: [[+]] dest_headers: HTTP/1.1 200 OK Date: Wed, 14 Sep 2016 21:13:31 GMT Server: Apache X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0 Pragma: no-cache Set-Cookie: wordpress_test_cookie=WP+Cookie+check; path=/ Set-Cookie: PHPSESSID=955be39214c87e4920f51d42def6bcdf; path=/ Connection: close Transfer-Encoding: chunked Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8 dest_ip: 158.69.124.164 dest_mac: 0C:C4:7A:7B:97:A4 dest_port: 80 endtime: 2016-09-14T21:13:31.647474Z form_data: pwd=test&wp-submit=Login&log=admin http_comment: HTTP/1.1 200 OK http_content_type: text/html; charset=UTF-8 http_method: POST http_user_agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; U; Linux i686) Gecko/20071127 Firefox/2.0.0.11 request: POST /wp-login.php HTTP/1.1 server: Apache set_cookie: [[+]] site: www.presentlove.com src_content: pwd=test&wp-submit=Login&log=admin src_headers: POST /wp-login.php HTTP/1.1 Accept-Encoding: identity Content-Length: 34 Host: www.presentlove.com Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded Connection: close User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; U; Linux i686) Gecko/20071127 Firefox/2.0.0.11 src_ip: 69.28.199.70 src_mac: 00:FF:FF:FF:FF:FD src_port: 55167 status: 200 time_taken: 320552 timestamp: 2016-09-14T21:13:31.353515Z transfer_encoding: chunked transport: tcp uri: /wp-login.php uri_path: /wp-login.php }</pre>
Selected Fields				
a City 27				
a Country 23				
a host 1				
a Region 26				
a source 1				
a sourcetype 1				
Interesting Fields				
a accept 3				
a accept_language 3				
a action 2				
a app 1				
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# bytes_in 90				
# bytes_out 100+				
# canceled 1				
a cookie 41				
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# cs_content_length 28				
a cs_content_type 1				
a cs_version() 2				
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# date_mday 2				
# date_minute 56				
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a dest 2				
a dest_headers 79				
a dest_ip 2				
a dest_mac 1				
# dest_port 1				
# duration 100+				
a endtime 100+				
a eventtype 2				
a form_data 100+				
a http_comment 5				
# http_content_length 2				
a http_content_type 3				
a http_method 1				
a http_referrer 10				
a http_user_agent 10				
a index 1				

Show as raw text

City = Chatham | Country = Canada | Region = Ontario | host = ns522056.ip-158-69-124.net | source = stream

Stream data formatted

SPL:

source=stream:stream_http

Sessionize

- Headers
- Args
- Cookies
- Content

Decrypted

- ### Form Fields
- Username
 - password

```
4/12/16 3:35:00.000 AM { [-]
  bytes: 1703
  bytes_in: 662
  bytes_out: 1041
  cached: 0
  cookie: external_no_cache=1; frontend_cid=871912058; frontend=67520080632
  dest_headers: HTTP/1.1 302 Found
Date: Sun, 06 Sep 2015 12:17:03 GMT
Server: Apache/2.4.7 (Ubuntu)
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.5.9-1ubuntu4.11
Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT
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Set-Cookie: persistent_shopping_cart=deleted; expires=Thu, 01-Jan-1970 00:00:01 GMT; Max-Age=0; path=/magento; domain=52.74.170.211
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
Location: https://52.74.170.211/magento/checkout/onepage/index/
Content-Length: 0
Keep-Alive: timeout=5, max=100
Connection: Keep-Alive
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
```

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dest_ip: 172.31.19.68
dest_mac: 08:00:27:08:0B:D3
dest_port: 443
```

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form_data: login%5Busername%5D=CameronJohnston%40olschar.de&form_key=Iy4fBlRhjeVJZjdC&secret=&login%5Bpassword%5D=XXXXXXXXX2864
http_content_type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
http_method: POST
http_referrer: https://52.74.170.211/magento/customer/account/login/
http_user_agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux i686; rv:2.0b3pre) Gecko/20100731 Firefox/4.0b3pre
location: https://52.74.170.211/magento/checkout/onepage/index/
login_failure_direct:
login_post_message:
login_success_direct:
request: POST /magento/customer/account/loginPost/ HTTP/1.1
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Search Pivot Reports Alerts Dashboards Search & Reporting

New Search

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| rex field=form_data "log=(?<username>[^\&]+)" | eval username=urldecode(username)
| rex field=form_data "pwd=(?<password>[^\&]+)" | fillnull value="" password
| table _time, src_ip, site, username, password, Country, http_user_agent
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✓ 186 events (before 9/14/16 3:31:09.000 PM) No Event Sampling ▾

Events (186) Patterns Statistics (186) Visualization

100 Per Page ▾ Format ▾ Preview ▾

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Leverage Stream data to find account takeover attacks on multiple user accounts. See all attempted passwords

Get sample of data to build ML models

splunk> App: ML Toolkit and Showcase ▾ Administrator ▾ Messages ▾ Settings ▾ Activity ▾ Help ▾ Find

Search Showcase Assistants ▾ Scheduled Jobs ▾ Docs ML Toolkit and Showcase

Cluster Numeric Events

Partition events with multiple numeric fields into clusters.

Create New Cluster Load Existing Settings

Enter a search

`index=bank_summ eventcount>3 | head 2500 | fields sum* eventcount duration | fillnull` All time 🔍

✓ 2,500 events (6/25/16 10:54:45.000 PM to 9/14/16 4:07:33.000 PM) Job ▾ || ■ Smart Mode ▾

☒ **Preprocess (optional)**

Fields to preprocess

☒ duration ☒ eventcount ☒ sum_bytes_in ☒ sum_bytes_in_get ☒ sum_bytes_in_post ☒ sum_bytes_out ☒ sum_bytes_out_get ☒ sum_bytes_out_post

Select method(s) to use

☒ Apply StandardScaler

☒ Apply **PCA** to reduce dimensionality to **3** fields

Preprocess

Cluster

Algorithm: **DBSCAN**

Fields to use for clustering: ☒ PC_1 ☒ PC_2 ☒ PC_3

eps (radius of neighborhood): **0.75**

Cluster

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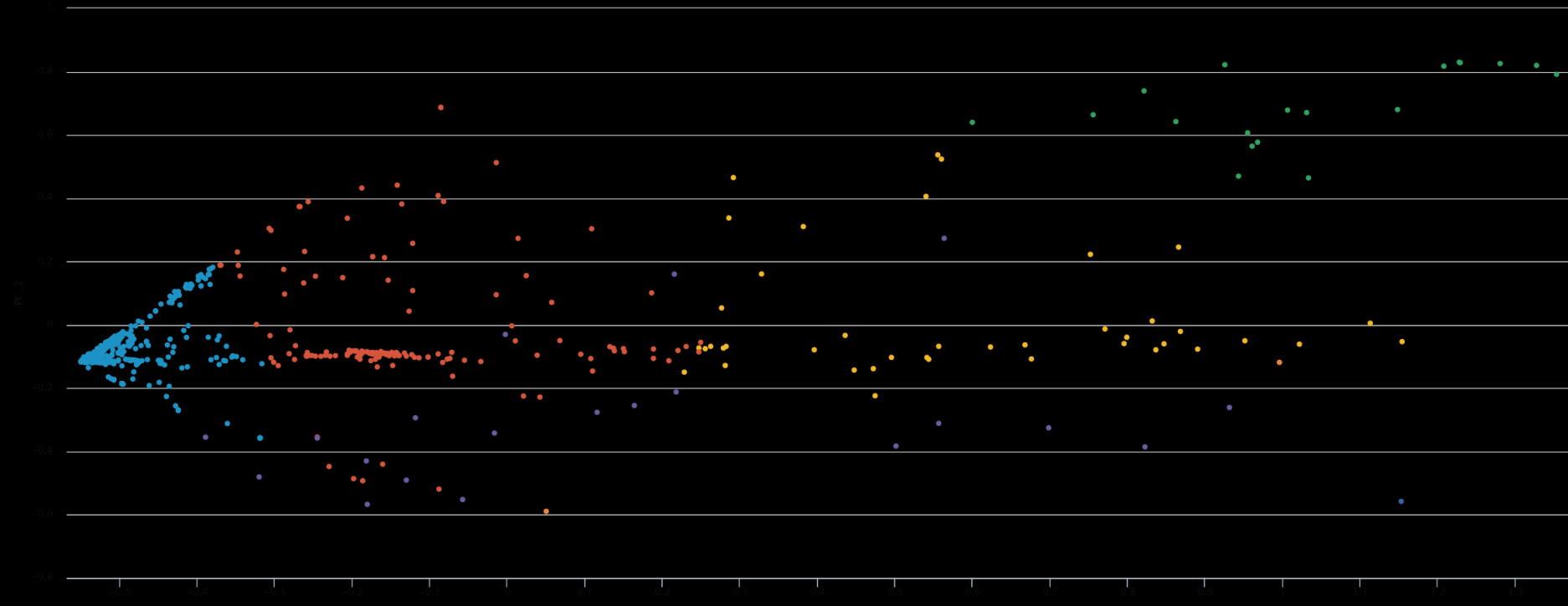
Preview Clusters within data



Generated clusters of data visually shows the majority of user sessions as well as outliers and anomalies

Clustering WEB Sessions to detect outliers

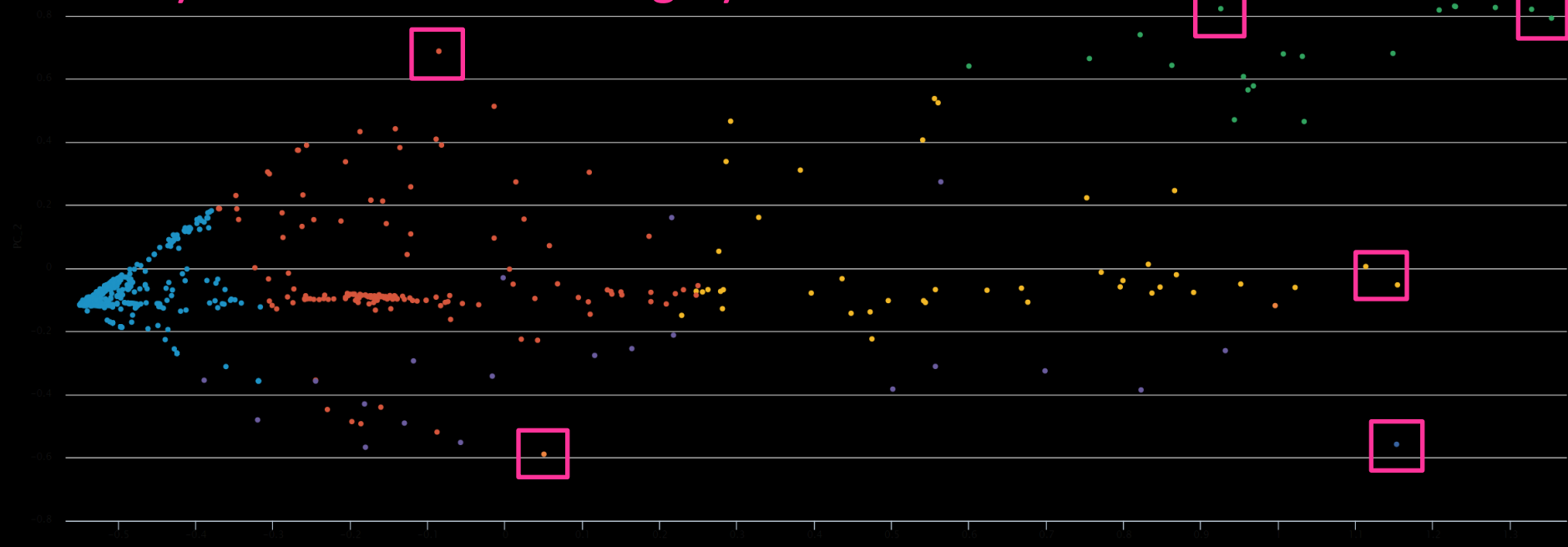
Zoom Into Web Sessions Cluster Data (90% of data):



Clustering WEB Sessions to detect outliers

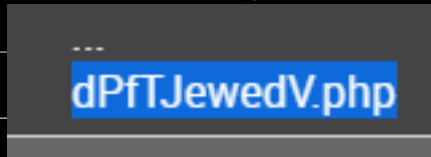
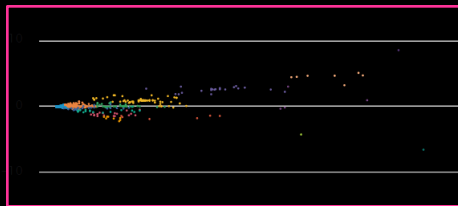
Zoom Into Web Sessions Cluster Data (90% of data):

Far away dots are outliers – highly unusual behaviors



Detected anomaly pointed
to highly suspicious file:

Main Cluster of Web Sessions



Far away outlier by behavior

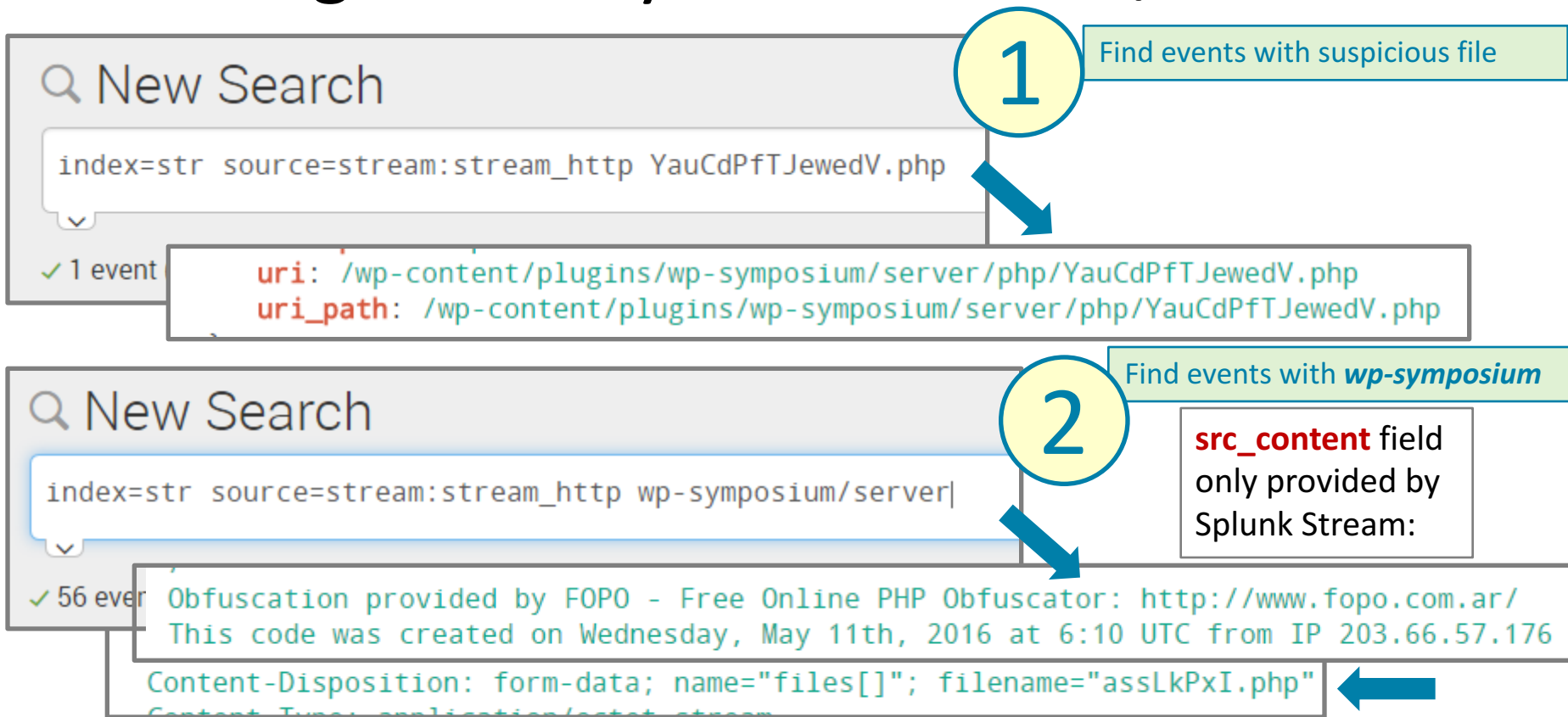


Cluster: Cluster_3
PC_1: 24.3
PC_2: -25.36

Detected Anomalies:

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Tracking Anomaly to Fraudsters/Attackers



Tracking Anomaly to Fraudsters/Attackers

Search Pivot Reports Alerts Dashboards

Anomaly Research

Q New Search

Save As Close

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All time



✓ 357 events (before 9/23/16 8:33:17.000 PM) No Event Sampling

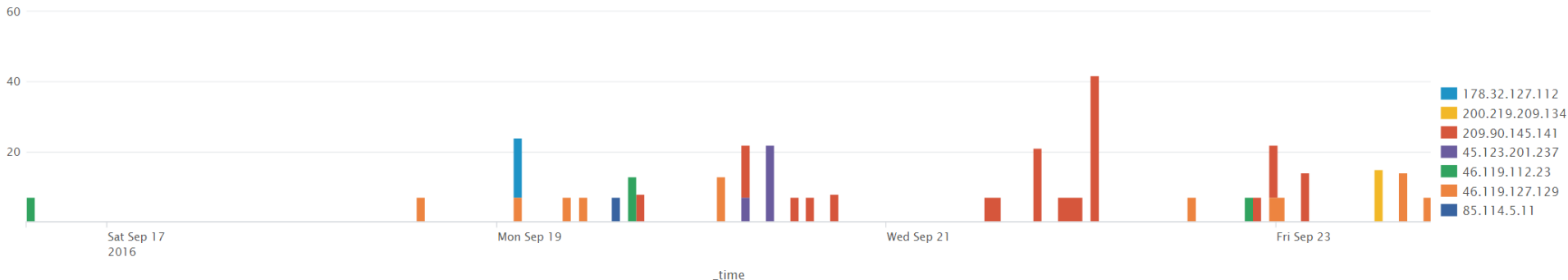
Job Pause Refresh Download Verbose Mode

Events (357) Patterns Statistics (173) Visualization

Column Chart Format

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Find IP addresses of all attackers and show me their activity across timeline



Tracking Anomaly to Fraudsters/Attackers

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| dedup src_ip | table src_ip ]
| iplocation src_ip | table _time, src_ip, Country, site, uri_path, http_method, status, http_user_agent
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All time



✓ 21 events (before 9/23/16 9:18:15.000 PM) No Event Sampling

Events (21) Patterns Statistics (21) Visualization

20 Per Page Format Preview

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Show me origins of all attackers as well as every possible resource and customer they touched and when. So I can immediately protect my customers, resources and accounts.

Demo



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Popular Anti-Fraud Search

- Detect account takeovers; 1 IP logging into > 5 accounts in 1 day
- Detail at Splunk.com > Solutions > Security, Compliance & Fraud > Security and Fraud Use Cases

1. Index appropriate data

```
04/14/2016 06:53,123088,Failure,Mindy Barber,92.42.49.101
04/14/2016 10:15,123098,Success,Douglas Lambert,216.214.255.255
04/14/2016 13:51,123108,Success,John Doe,69.147.76.15
```

Popular Anti-Fraud Search cont...

2. Do Field Extractions

New Search

index=fraud_demo sourcetype=web_site_logs

✓ 484 events (4/7/16 1:00:00.000 PM to 4/14/16 1:52:14.000 PM)

Events (484) Statistics Visualization

Format Timeline Zoom Out Zoom to Selection Deselect

List Format 20 Per Page

< Hide Fields All Fields

Selected Fields

- a Acct_Name_Logged_Into 20
- a Auth_Status 2
- a host 10
- # Session_ID 98
- a source 1
- a Source_IP 20
- a sourcetype 1

Interesting Fields

- # date_hour 24
- # date_mday 8
- # date_minute 60
- a date_month 1
- a date_wday 7
- # date_year 1
- a date_zone 1
- a index 1
- # linecount 1
- a punct 1
- a splunk_server 1

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▼	4/14/16 1:51:00.000 PM	04/14/2016 13:51,123108,Success,John Doe,69.147.76.15
		Event Actions ▼
		Type ☒ Field Value Actions
		Selected ☒ Acct_Name_Logged_Into ▼ John Doe
		☒ Auth_Status ▼ Success
		☒ Session_ID ▼ 123108
		☒ Source_IP ▼ 69.147.76.15
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		☒ sourcetype ▼ web_site_logs
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		☐ linecount ▼ 1
		☐ splunk_server ▼ JGOLDBERG-XPS
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Popular Anti-Fraud Search cont...

3. Search

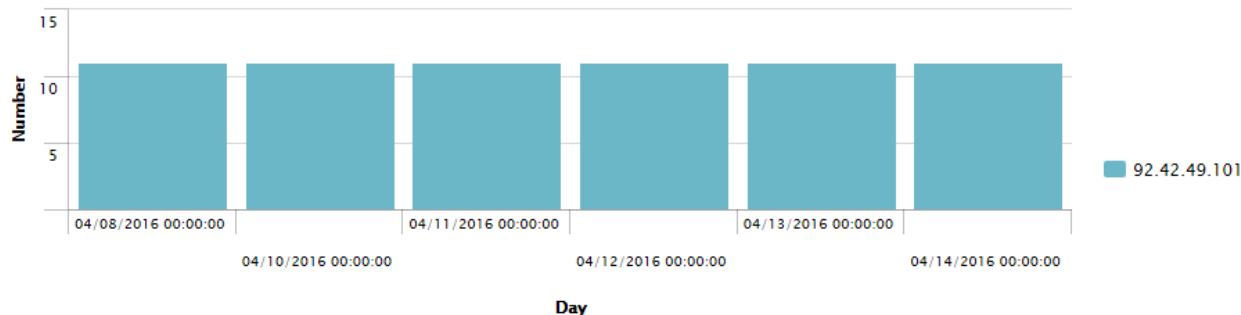
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| index=fraud_demo sourcetype=web_site_logs Auth_Status=Success  
| bucket _time span=1d  
| stats dc(Acct_Name_Logged_Into) as num_accts by _time,Source_IP  
| where num_accts >= 5
```

4. Visualize

```
| convert ctime(_time) as day  
| xyseries day Source_IP num_accts
```

IPs Accessing Excessive Number of Accounts (over 5 in a day)

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Takeaways

- Patterns of fraud are in machine data
- Splunk can harness machine data and structured data to detect, investigate, and report on a wide range of fraud
- Advanced Splunk technologies can address the more demanding anti-fraud use cases

What Now?

- App Showcase: “Splunk for Compliance & Anti-Fraud” booth
- Session: “Advanced Techniques for Detecting Fraud Using Splunk”, Thurs, 10:15-11:00 AM
- Web site: Information, Solution Guide, Case Study, Video
 - [Splunk.com](#) > Solutions > Security, Compliance and Fraud > Fraud
- Contact sales team at [Splunk.com](#) > Contact Us
 - May be eligible for free, onsite Fraud Workshop

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Splunk For Fraud Detection Across Verticals



Financial Services



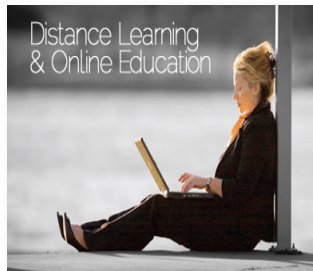
Mobile / Telecom



eCommerce



Health Care



Online Education



Government

Ecommerce/web site: Sample Fraud Indicators

- One referrer string or IP logging into multiple user accounts
- Single IP excessively selecting the “I forgot my password” option for several accounts
- Single IP excessively failing logins using different credentials
- Abnormally large purchases, or very high velocity of purchases, from a single account
- User traffic coming from “rent a VM”, cloud-based services (AWS, Rackspace, etc)
- Brute force password guessing that is too fast to be human
- Customer info that should be stable changing often: email/physical address, payment card, etc
- Geographic mismatch between a user IP, billing address, and/or shipping address
- Multiple purchases with different credit cards going to the same mailing address
- Buyer IP address being international but shipping address being in the U.S
- Single IP creating multiple new accounts in a short time period
- User navigating through site too fast to be human
- User IP coming from high-risk country/region, a known bad IP, or a proxy server
- User using a browser in a language indicative of a high-risk region
- User using a mobile device
- User scraping the full contents of the web site

Internal fraud:

- Store employee: conducting transactions out of normal hours, applying discounts outside of acceptable %, ringing up their own purchases, processing an excessively large \$ amount of returns

Financial Services: Sample Fraud Indicators

- Near-simultaneous ATM withdrawals from 3 or more ATMs involving a single account
- Single account having daily withdrawals in excess of normal limits
- Based off a customer baseline, abnormally large \$ wire transfers, or large # of transactions in set time period
- Wire transfers going to high-risk countries/regions or financial institutions associated with fraud
- Multiple wire transfers from single account in the \$9500-\$9999 range over X number of days
- Financial transaction that skips the normal steps/process
- Securing multiple mortgage loans that exceed the value of the property
- Dishonest appraisals resulting in inflated home values

Internal fraud:

- Bank teller conducting transactions out of normal hours, processing their own transactions
- IT or developer logging into an application to conduct trades
- Trader using credentials that do not match with the owner of the physical workstation
- Financial transaction not following the correct business processes or order of steps

Health Care: Sample Fraud Indicators

- Multiple patients sharing the same phone number, address, email, etc
- Doctor prescribing prescriptions outside of their area of expertise
- Physicians that are many standard deviations off the norm for what an average physician for a given specialty in a given region bills Medicare/Medicaid every month in terms of number of procedures or \$
- Doctor receive payments at an address that is geographically distant from their office address

Online Education: Sample Fraud Indicators

- Student IP in “high-risk” country and student absent from classes & assignments
- Student who has taken out a loan not appearing in any online classrooms or forums
- Student enrolling multiple times with slightly different variations on name, address, etc.
- Multiple students logging into online classes from a single IP address
- Students opening multiple virtual classrooms simultaneously

Leading Online Retailer

- **Challenge:** Fraud investigations were too slow with no unified logging.
 - Investigation took 12 hours using ten resources
- **Enter big data:** Big data, flexible platform to accelerate investigations
 - Unites all context around possible fraud on single dashboard
 - Investigation takes 0.2 hours using two resources
 - Consolidated fraud reporting from multiple fraud tools
 - Use the big data solution for fraud, security, compliance, IT Ops, and App Mgmt

Reliant—Loss Prevention at Retail Stores

Splunk Use Case: Transactions Outside Of Normal Hours

Transactions that were performed outside normal working hours of 10AM-6PM

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	time ↕	store ↕	date ↕	amount ↕	tran_type ↕	first_name ↕	last_name ↕	employee_no ↕	tender ↕	entry_type ↕
1	7:48:00	3	22-Oct	750	sale	Nicole	Velarde	100242	cash	
2	7:33:00	3	22-Oct	200	x-read	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
3	7:19:00	3	22-Oct	200	count	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
4	7:04:00	3	22-Oct		float in	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
5	7:03:00	3	22-Oct		opening	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
6	7:02:00	3	22-Oct		clockin	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
7	8:57:00	3	22-Oct	180	empsale	Nicole	Velarde	100242	cash	
8	8:52:00	1	22-Oct		clockin	Nicole	Velarde	100242		
9	8:38:00	3	22-Oct	-1500	return-nv	Nicole	Velarde	100242	visa	keyed
10	8:25:00	3	22-Oct	350	sale	Stacey	Warrick	100241	amex	swiped



11/7/12

8:38:00.203 AM

3,22-Oct,8:38:00,2030,100242,return-nv,-1500,,visa,keyed,

store=3 ▾

Leading Device Insurance Co - Improving Fraud Detection

- Challenge
 - False Claims → Insurance fraud → (\$\$\$\$)
 - Fraudsters financially motivated and always trying new things
- Solution – Analysis of known bad behavior
 - Multiple claims/phones shipped to same address
 - Anomalous claim durations – impossibly short claim durations
 - Web request origin → account information → shipment correlation
 - Find repeat offenders - extract attributes from bad claims, detect/prevent similar activities



To Catch A Killer.....

From: se <se-bounces@splunk.com> on behalf of Omid Krabbe <okrabbe@splunk.com>

Date: Friday, June 17, 2016 at 9:56 AM

To: se <se@splunk.com>

Subject: [se] Splunk used to find homicide suspects...

This is from a financial services customer -



The Fraud Team uses Splunk to comply with subpoenas from Law Enforcement to monitor certain accounts. In May, the information provided in real time from Splunk led to the arrest of a homicide suspect in Texas.

• Timeline – hotel reservation lead to arrests:
• 5/18 12:45: Dallas PD request monitoring on 2 accounts used by homicide suspects
• 5/18 13:52: Splunk alert for KFC in Dallas, TX; advise PD
• 5/18 18:09: Splunk alert for DS TRUCK STOP in Belton, TX; advise PD
• 5/18 18:21: Splunk alert for PLN*PRICELINE HOTELS; advise PD
• 5/18 20:32: Splunk alert for MC DONALDS in Dallas, TX; advise PD
• 5/20 02:30: Splunk alert for UBER TECHNOLOGIES INC; advise PD
• 5/20 02:41: Splunk alert for UBER TECHNOLOGIES INC; advise PD
• 5/20 10:31: Dallas PD advises suspects in custody, state **“We could not have found them without your help.”**

It might not make sense to use your credit card after you murder someone...

Omid

To Catch Shoplifters.....



From: se [mailto:se-bounces@splunk.com] **On Behalf Of** Joe Goldberg
Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 11:19 AM
To: Michael Wilde <mwilde@splunk.com>; Tolga Tohumcu <ttohumcu@splunk.com>; Omid Krabbe <okrabbe@splunk.com>; se <se@splunk.com>
Subject: Re: [se] Splunk used to find homicide suspects...

Speaking of interesting “real-time, law enforcement-related” use cases, below is another one.....although with lower stakes than catching a killer! It is from last year & is courtesy of James Brodsky. Customer is a big box retailer I anonymized.

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I did hear, in person today at our Retail talk, a cool physical theft case from XXXXXX, solved via use of Splunk. In a nutshell...

They had a group of thieves visiting XXXXXX stores in a geographic area. One thief would pick a cheap product in a large box, and stealthily remove the product. The others would go around the store and pick up small, high value items, and place them in the box which would then get resealed. Yeah – they were good enough to avoid the security cameras. Then, they used a copied membership card to buy the single box with cash. They did this in multiple stores.

How did they find the culprits?

They are splunking their transactions so they know which member account numbers are used at which times in each store. The thieves always used the same copied membership card. However, they didn’t turn off their phone wifi, and they have all of the MAC addresses from members’ phones in each store, coming in from the access points (probably something like this – I didn’t ask: https://meraki.cisco.com/lib/pdf/meraki_datasheet_cmx_location_analytics.pdf)

So, first they used Splunk to figure out which member account was being used at lots of stores in the geography. They saw discrepancies here – the “real” member was showing a normal pattern of XXXXXX shopping at a single store, but it was also being used at many other stores to buy a single item.

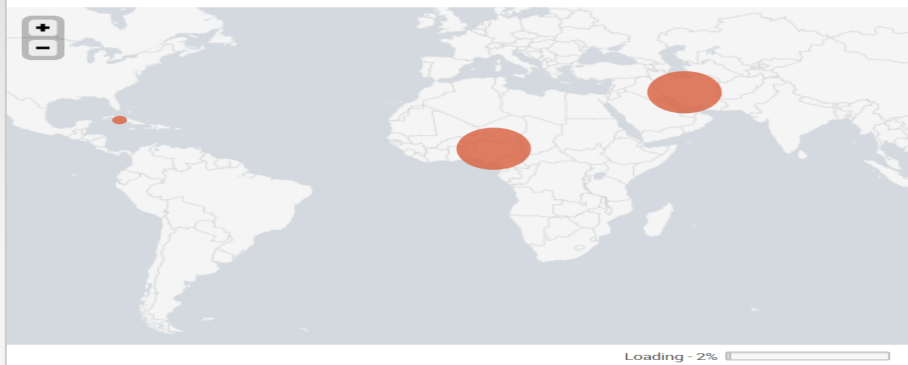
Next they took that list of stores where the single-item purchases were made and known theft had happened, and correlated for a MAC address that showed up in those stores at the exact times that the single item purchases were made in those stores, and made note of it.

Next they set up a near-real-time search to detect said MAC address the next time it was seen in the stores. As soon as that happened, loss prevention was notified to be on the lookout for suspicious activity – i.e. A person buying a single, cheap item. Once the copied membership card was also scanned, and correlated via cameras with the person buying a single item, the LP team had enough incriminating information to detain the thief.

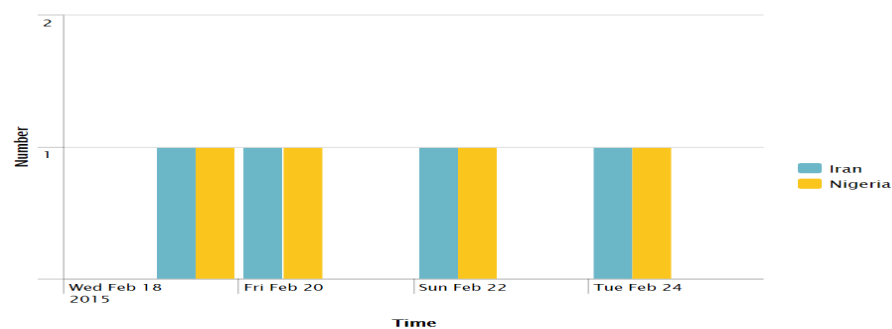
Wire Transfer Fraud

* Wire transfer fraud

*Destination IPs of high-risk countries last 7 days



Destination IPs of High Risk Countries Last 7 Days



Transfers to High Risk Institutions

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Dest_Institution ▾	month_day ▾	Transaction_ID ▾	Transaction_amount ▾
Bank of Nigeria	february 24	5553430	9751
Bank of Cuba	february 24	5553371	90
Bank of Nigeria	january 27	5553430	9751
Bank of Cuba	january 26	5553371	90
Bank of Nigeria	january 28	5553430	9751
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Bank of Nigeria	january 30	5553430	9751

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Abnormally high # of wire transfers per account

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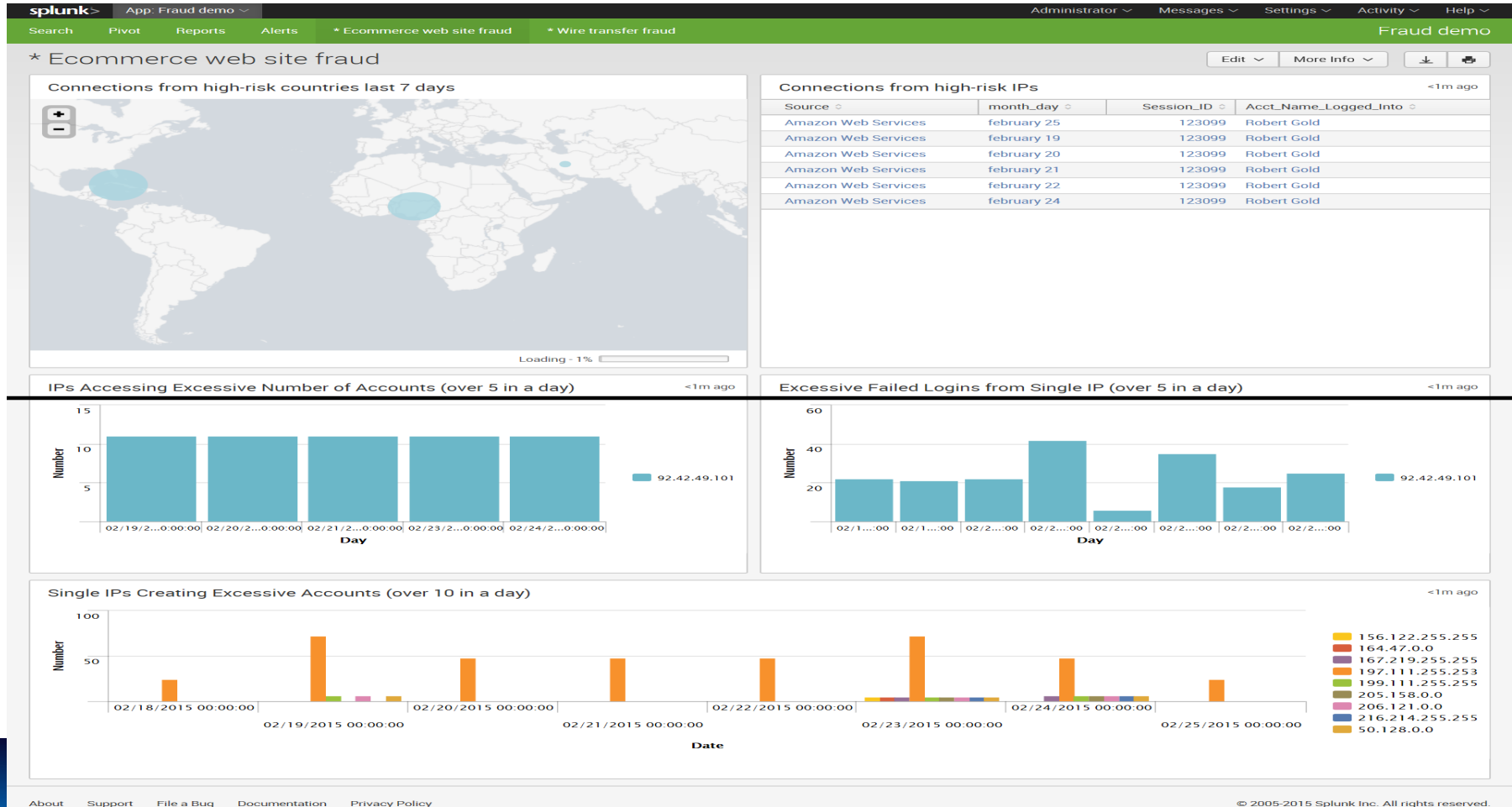
Account_name ▾	Transactions over last 24 hours ▾	Average daily transactions over prior 7 days ▾	Std Dev over prior 7 days ▾	2 Std Dev above the 7 day average ▾	Last 24 hours less 7 day avg ▾
Acme Bank Inc	109	14.142857	1.463850	17.070557	94.857143
Architecture Design LLC	44	5.714286	1.496026	8.706338	38.285714
Bobs Restaurant Chain	37	4.857143	0.690066	6.23728	32.142857
Jane Smith	39	5.142857	1.069045	7.280947	33.857143
John Doe	20	2.571429	0.534522	3.64047	17.428571

Accounts where over 20% of transactions in last 7 days are suspicious: \$9000-\$9999

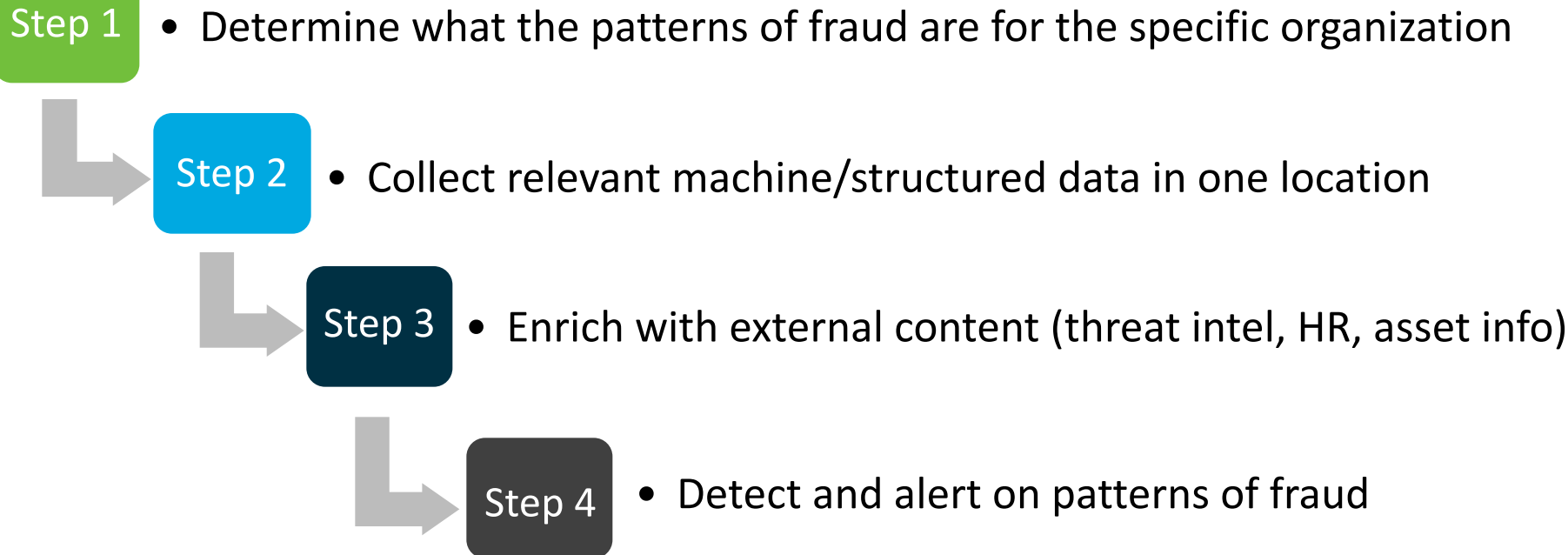
Account_ID ▾	Account_name ▾	total ▾	suspicious ▾	susp_pct ▾
654673	Bobs Restaurant Chain	2392770	631409	26.388203

Loading - 2%

E-Commerce Site Fraud



How to Detect Fraud Using Machine Data



Reality of Detecting Fraud

- No easy button
- Requires people, process, technology
- Big data is only as good as the data in it and people behind the UI
- Sophisticated, highly technical fraudsters are difficult to catch



DB CONNECT IN THE BIG PICTURE

PREMIUM CONTENT

Security &
Compliance

Application &
Infrastructure

Business
Analytics

Internet
of Things

App for Stream, App
for AWS, App for
MINT, ...

FOUNDATION (FREE)

Add-ons for Unix,
Windows, OPSEC LEA,
JMX, ...

DB Connect, ODBC,
Add-on for Amazon
Web Services, ...

splunk>

THE NEW STUFF

Security

- Simplified architecture reduces potential for security and stability issues
- Enabled use of SSL for many back ends
- Identities improve access control abstraction
- Clarified ownership and rights of objects in the add-on

Scalability

- Resource pool system allows job dispatching to multiple DB Connect nodes
- New architecture allows install in clustered environments

Ease of Use

- New user interface makes it easy to configure and edit data connections
- Health dashboard makes it easy to troubleshoot problems

Increased back end support

- Back end abstraction makes it easier to add new connections
- Added Postgres
- Added MemSQL
- Added Teradata
- Added Informix

Configuration Files

1.x.x

\$SPLUNK_HOME/etc/apps/**dbx**/README/*.spec

- database.conf
- database_types.conf
- dblookup.conf
- inputs.conf
- java.conf

2.x.x

\$SPLUNK_HOME/etc/apps/**splunk_app_db_connect**/README/*.spec

- db_connections.conf
- db_connection_types.conf
- healthlog.conf
- identities.conf
- inputs.conf

Database Connections (1 of 2)

1.x.x

database_types.conf

- Lists the supported database types, driver parameters, test queries

database.conf

- All configuration necessary for connecting to a specific database

2.x.x

db_connection_types.conf

- Lists the supported database types, driver parameters, test queries

db_connections.conf

- All configuration necessary for connecting to a specific database, *unless overridden by parameters from identities.conf*

identities.conf

- Username and password used to connect to the database (stored in standard Splunk credential store)

Pre-Login Clicks
Frontend=1234

Login Page Click
Username=Newman
Frontend=5678

Post Login Clicks
Frontend=9012

CheckOut Clicks
Frontend=9012

1. Group sessions (frontend) into clickstreams

2. Maintain context such as Username

3. Build viz/kfi/rules against clickstreams

*** Hint: There is a handoff between sessions