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# Malcolim

**LOWERING THE BARRIER TO ENTRY  
FOR ESTABLISHING A SECURE  
CYBERSECURITY POSTURE**

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**Seth Grover, Cyber Security R&D**

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### Streamlined deployment

- Suitable for field use (hunt or incident response) or SOC deployment. Runs in Docker on Linux, macOS and Windows platforms. ISO installer for bare metal installations. Cloud-deployable with Kubernetes. Provides easy-to-use web-based user interfaces.

### Industry-standard tools

- Uses Arkime and Zeek for network traffic capture, Logstash for parsing and enrichment, OpenSearch for indexing and Dashboards, and Arkime Viewer for visualisation. Also leverages OpenSearch Anomaly Detection, Suricata IDS, YARA, capa, ClamAV, CyberChef, and other proven tools for analysis of traffic and artifacts.

### Expanding control systems visibility

- Analyses more protocols used in operational technology (OT) networks than other open-source or paid solutions. Ongoing development is focused on increasing the quantity and quality of industrial control systems (ICS) traffic.

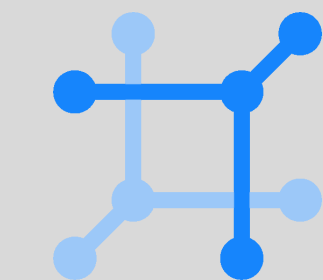
### Dedicated sensor appliance

- Hedgehog Linux, a hardened Linux distribution for capturing network traffic and forwarding its metadata to Malcolm.

# ORIGINS AND MILESTONES

- 2018.Q2 – Development begins on project (later dubbed “Malcolm”) under CISA work agreement
- 2018.Q3 to 2019.Q2 – Field testing at USBR facilities
- 2019.Q2 – Initial public release
- 2020 – Collaboration begins with Germany’s Federal Office for Information Security
- 2021.Q1 – First thousand st★rs on GitHub
- 2021.Q4 – Migration from Elastic to OpenSearch
- 2022.Q3 – First Malcolm-based simulated engagements at INL’s ICS Control Environment Lab Resource (CELR)
- 2022.Q3 – Malcolm discussed during session of the U.S. House of Representatives Homeland Security Committee
- 2022.Q4 – NetBox added for network modelling and asset interaction analysis
- 2023.Q1 – Kali announces “Purple” bundling Malcolm
- 2023.Q2 – Cloud deployable with K8s

# Malcolm



# WHAT CAN IT DO FOR ME?

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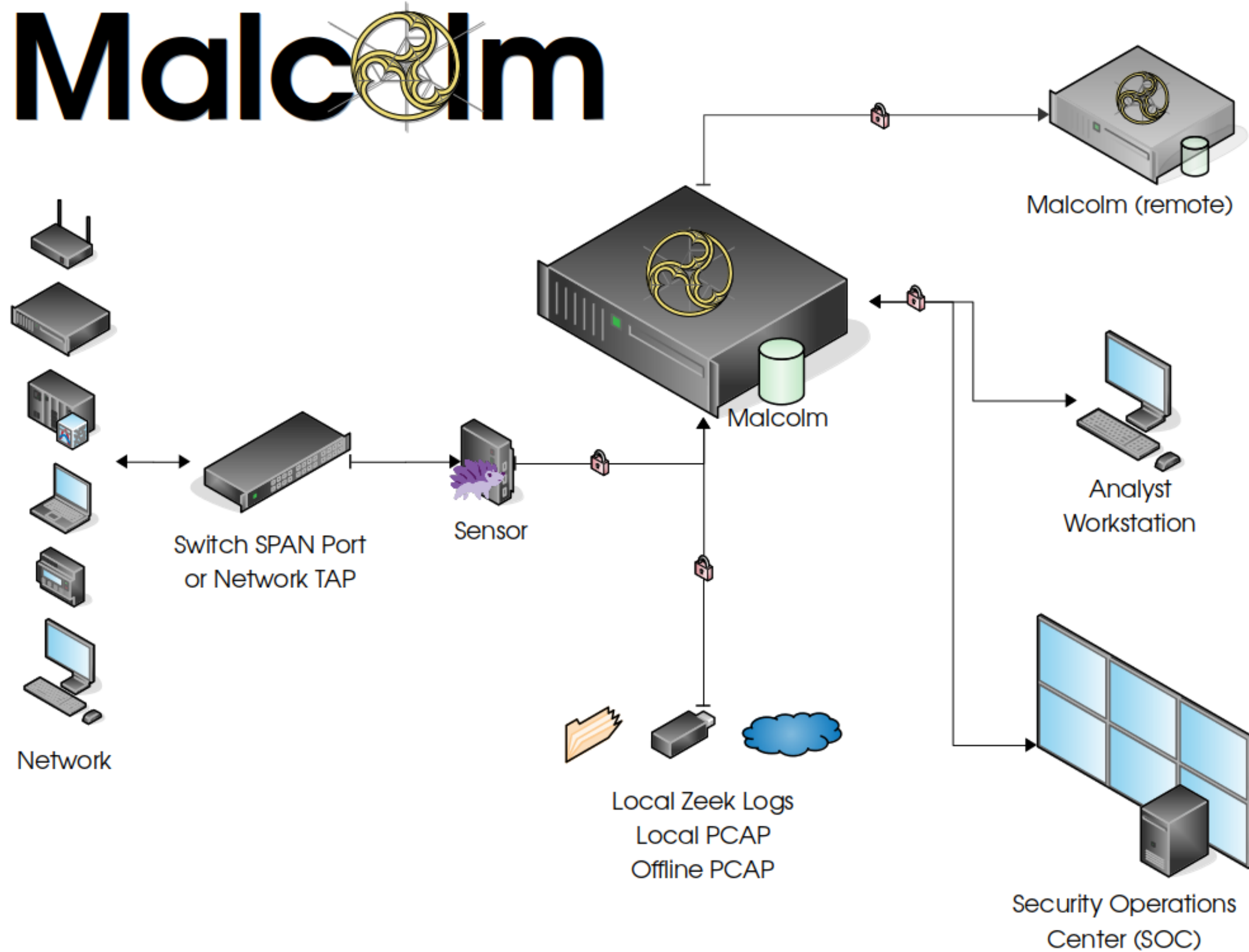
- Get to know your network: Malcolm **characterises** traffic by devices and the protocols they use to communicate.
- Understand risks and threats: Malcolm **identifies** active exploits, potential attack vectors, and vulnerable devices and protocols.
- Increase visibility: Malcolm **highlights** inbound, outbound, and internal communications to inform decisions and improve security posture.





# SIMPLIFIED NETWORK DIAGRAM

## Malcolm

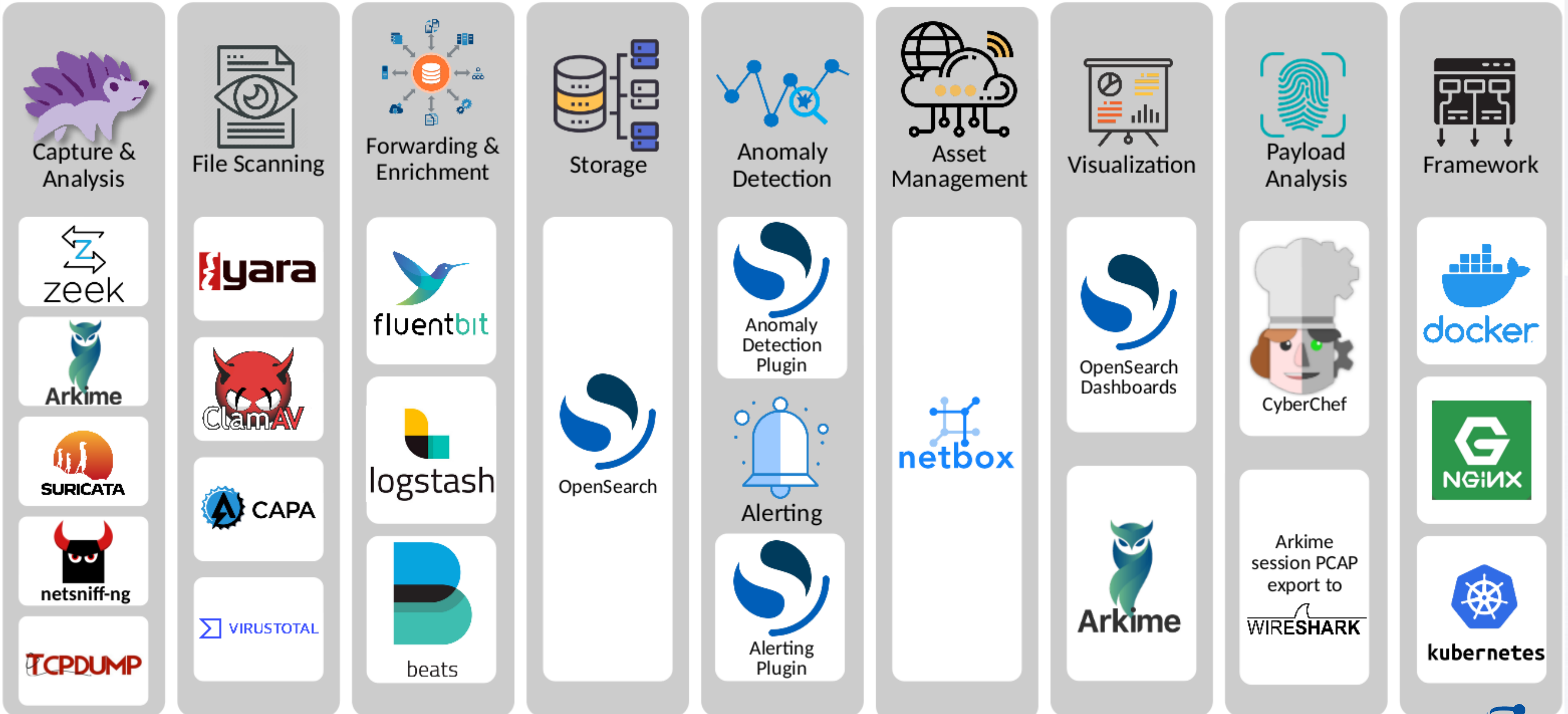




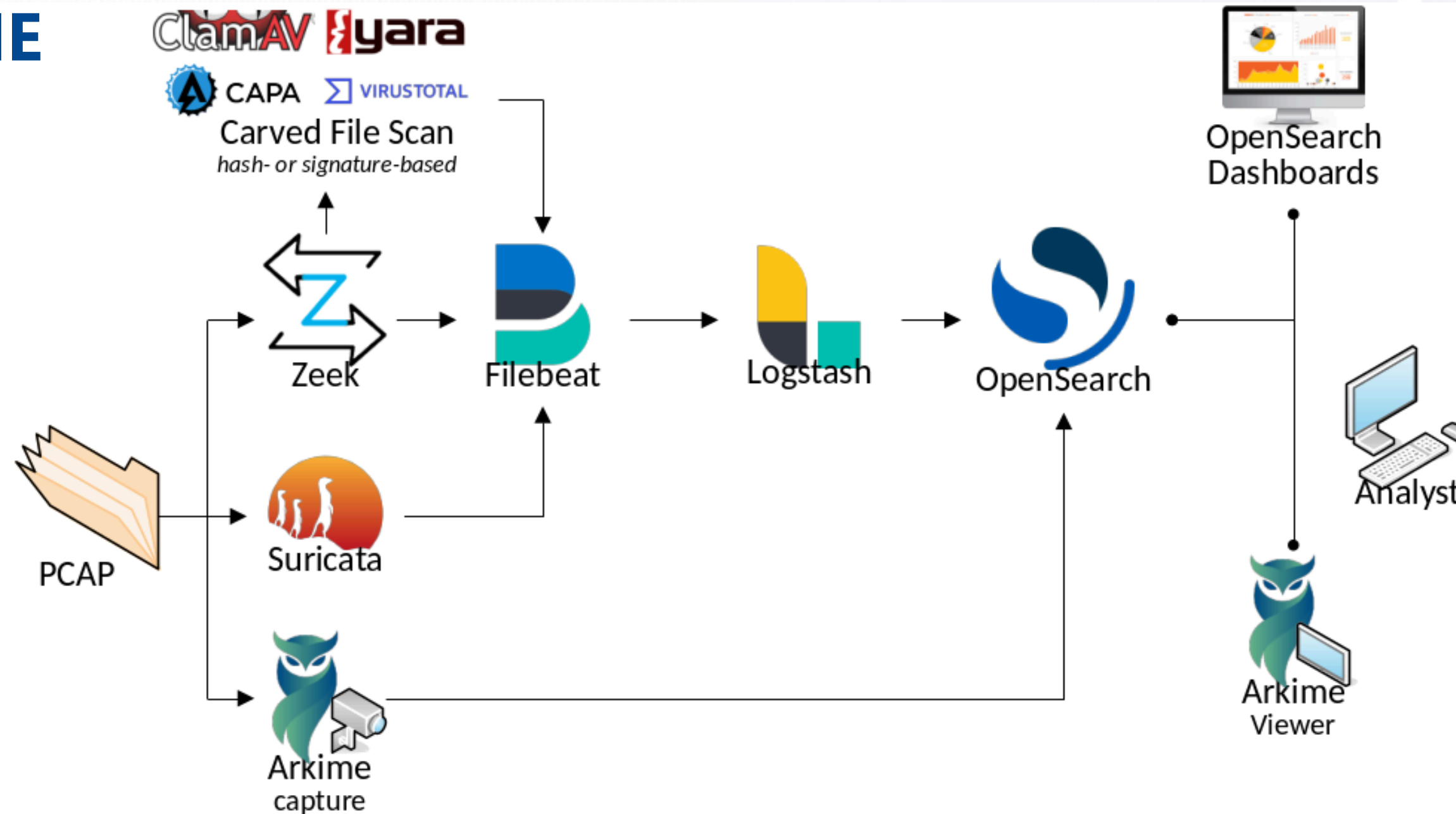
# SUPPORTED PROTOCOLS

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <p>Internet layer</p> <p>Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)</p> <p><b>Building Automation and Control (BACnet)</b></p> <p><b>Bristol Standard Asynchronous Protocol (BSAP)</b></p> <p>Distributed Computing Environment / Remote Procedure Calls (DCE/RPC)</p> <p>Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)</p> <p><b>Distributed Network Protocol 3 (DNP3)</b></p> <p>Domain Name System (DNS)</p> <p><b>EtherCAT</b></p> <p><b>EtherNet/IP / Common Industrial Protocol (CIP)</b></p> <p>FTP (File Transfer Protocol)</p> <p><b>Genisys</b></p> <p>Google Quick UDP Internet Connections (gQUIC)</p> <p>Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)</p> <p>IPsec</p> <p>Internet Relay Chat (IRC)</p> <p>Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)</p> <p>Kerberos</p> <p><b>Modbus</b></p> | <p>MQ Telemetry Transport (MQTT)</p> <p>MySQL</p> <p>NT Lan Manager (NTLM)</p> <p>Network Time Protocol (NTP)</p> <p>Oracle</p> <p><b>Open Platform Communications Unified Architecture (OPC UA) Binary</b></p> <p>Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)</p> <p>OpenVPN</p> <p>PostgreSQL</p> <p><b>Process Field Net (PROFINET)</b></p> <p>Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service (RADIUS)</p> <p>Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP)</p> <p>Remote Framebuffer / Virtual Network Computing (RFB/VNC)</p> <p><b>S7comm / Connection Oriented Transport Protocol (COTP)</b></p> <p>Secure Shell (SSH)</p> <p>Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) / Transport Layer Security (TLS)</p> <p>Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)</p> | <p>Server Message Block (SMB) / Common Internet File System (CIFS)</p> <p>Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)</p> <p>Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)</p> <p>SOCKS</p> <p>STUN (Session Traversal Utilities for NAT)</p> <p><b>Synchrophasor (IEEE C37.118)</b></p> <p>Syslog</p> <p>Tabular Data Stream (TDS)</p> <p>Telnet / remote shell (rsh) / remote login (rlogin)</p> <p>TFTP (Trivial File Transfer Protocol)</p> <p>WireGuard</p> <p>various tunnel protocols (e.g., GTP, GRE, Teredo, AYIYA, IP-in-IP, etc.)</p> <p><i>* Industrial control systems protocols indicated with <b>bold</b></i></p> |
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# COMPONENTS



# DATA PIPELINE



Traffic is collected passively by sensor device running Hedgehog Linux

Logs are securely forwarded to Malcolm

Logs are enriched and stored in OpenSearch

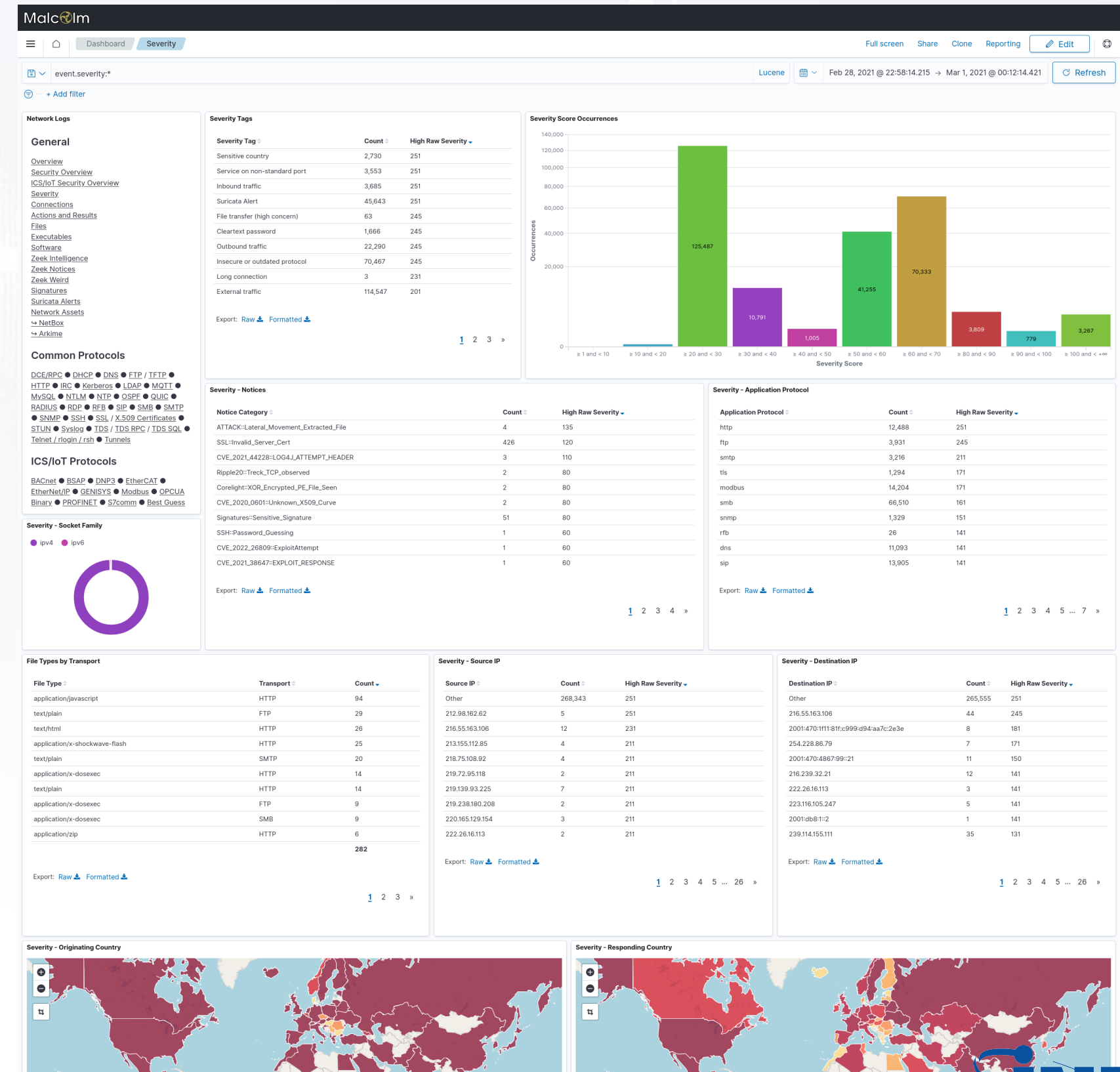
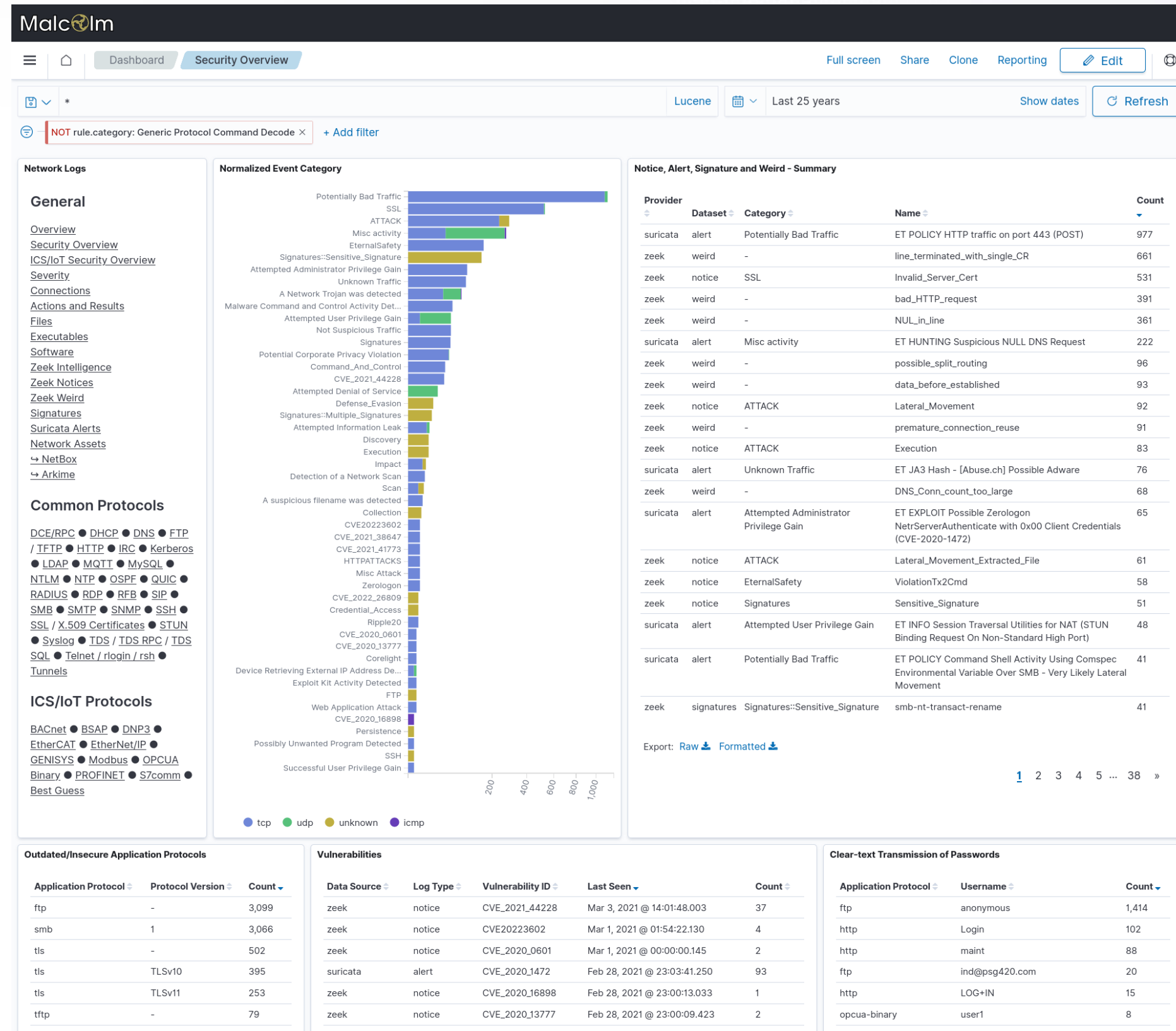
Machine learning algorithms identify anomalies

Alerts are sent over email, webhooks, Slack or Amazon Chime

Traffic is visualised in OpenSearch Dashboards and Arkime Viewer



# DASHBOARDS: FOCUS ON SECURITY





# DASHBOARDS: FOCUS ON OT

49,277

bacnet - Count

43,520

ethercat - Count

42,062

cip - Count

39,134

modbus - Count

18,897

enip - Count

14,217

cotp - Count

13,458

bsap - Count

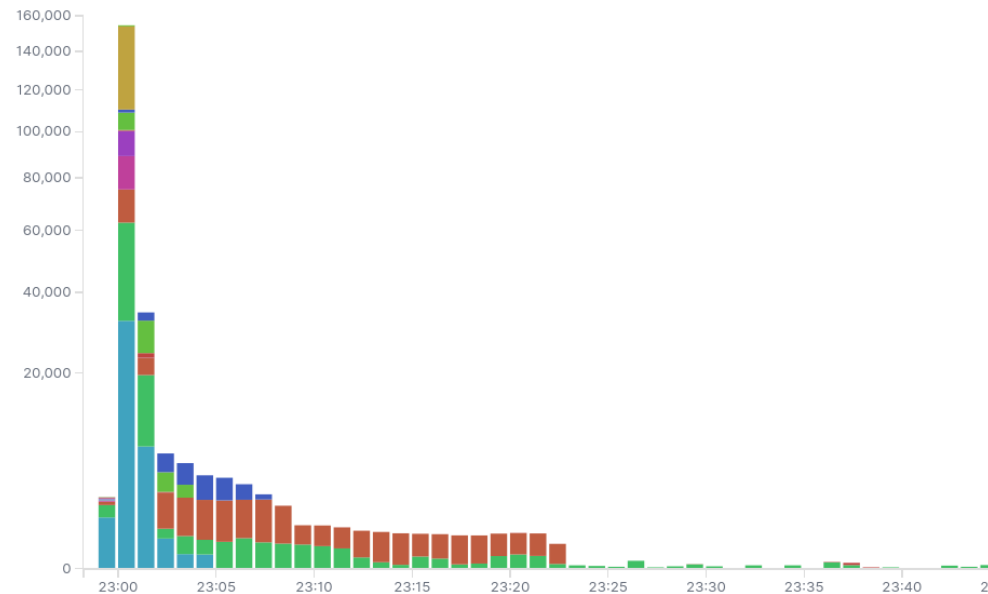
11,482 2,072

s7comm - Count

dnp3 - Count

1,494

snmp - Count

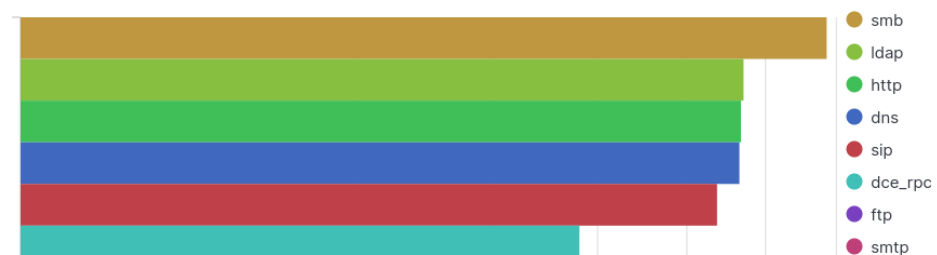


### ICS/IoT External Traffic

| Protocol | Source IP       | Source Country | Destination IP  |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| cotp     | 134.249.62.202  | Ukraine        | 134.249.61.182  |
| s7comm   | 134.249.62.202  | Ukraine        | 134.249.61.182  |
| s7comm   | 134.217.61.131  | United States  | 134.217.61.211  |
| cotp     | 134.217.61.131  | United States  | 134.217.61.211  |
| modbus   | 118.189.96.132  | Singapore      | 118.189.96.132  |
| dnp3     | 130.126.142.250 | United States  | 130.126.140.229 |
| modbus   | 192.168.66.235  | -              | 166.161.16.230  |
| s7comm   | 134.249.53.130  | Ukraine        | 134.249.61.182  |
| cotp     | 134.249.53.130  | Ukraine        | 134.249.61.182  |
| genisys  | 24.39.21.194    | United States  | 85.13.142.101   |

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### Non-ICS/IoT Protocols Observed



### Network Logs

#### General

- [Overview](#)
- [Security Overview](#)
- [ICS/IoT Security Overview](#)
- [Severity](#)
- [Connections](#)
- [Actions and Results](#)
- [Files](#)
- [Executables](#)
- [Software](#)
- [Zeek Intelligence](#)
- [Zeek Notices](#)
- [Zeek Weird](#)
- [Signatures](#)
- [Suricata Alerts](#)
- [Network Assets](#)
- [NetBox](#)
- [Arkime](#)

#### Common Protocols

- [DCE/RPC](#) [DHCP](#) [DNS](#) [FTP / TFTP](#)
- [HTTP](#) [IRC](#) [Kerberos](#) [LDAP](#) [MQTT](#)
- [MySQL](#) [NTLM](#) [NTP](#) [OSPF](#) [QUIC](#)
- [RADIUS](#) [RDP](#) [RFB](#) [SIP](#) [SMB](#) [SMTP](#)
- [SNMP](#) [SSH](#) [SSL / X.509 Certificates](#)
- [STUN](#) [Syslog](#) [IDS / TDS RPC / TDS SQL](#)
- [Telnet / rlogin / rsh](#) [Tunnels](#)

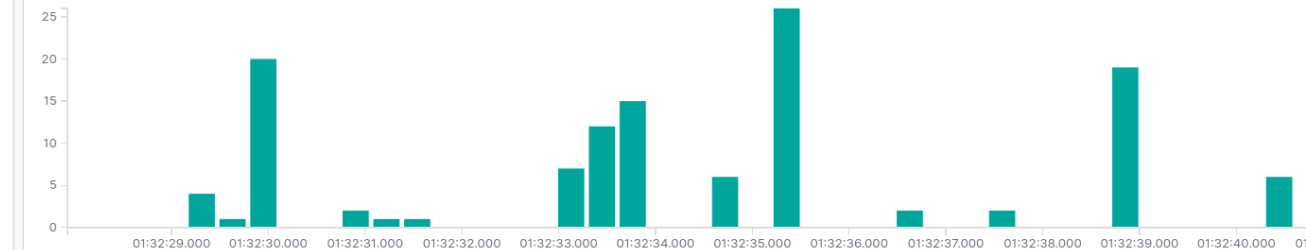
#### ICS/IoT Protocols

- [BACnet](#) [BSAP](#) [DNP3](#) [EtherCAT](#)
- [EtherNet/IP](#) [GENISYS](#) [Modbus](#) [OPCUA](#)
- [Binary](#) [PROFINET](#) [S7comm](#) [Best Guess](#)

### Best Guess - Log Count

126

### Best Guess - Log Count Over Time



Note: This dashboard categorizes potential industrial control system traffic using transport protocol, responding port and/or originating port instead of packet payload inspection. As such, these results should be viewed as a "best guess" and are likely to have more false positives than other protocol dashboards.

### Best Guess - Summary

| Transport | Category                      | Details                                 | Count |
|-----------|-------------------------------|---|-------|
| tcp       | AVEVA                         | OASys SCADA                             | 20    |
| tcp       | Mitsubishi Electric           | Mitsubishi Electronic MELSEC-Q          | 10    |
| tcp       | Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Analysis Framework | 10    |
| tcp       | Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell CSP                            | 9     |
| tcp       | Red Lion                      | Red Lion CrimsonV3                      | 6     |
| tcp       | FATEK Automation              | Fatek FB Series                         | 5     |
| tcp       | Control Systems International | I/NET 2000-NPR                          | 5     |
| tcp       | AVEVA                         | Wonderware                              | 5     |
| tcp       | Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Transaction Manager      | 5     |
| tcp       | Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Configuration Server     | 5     |

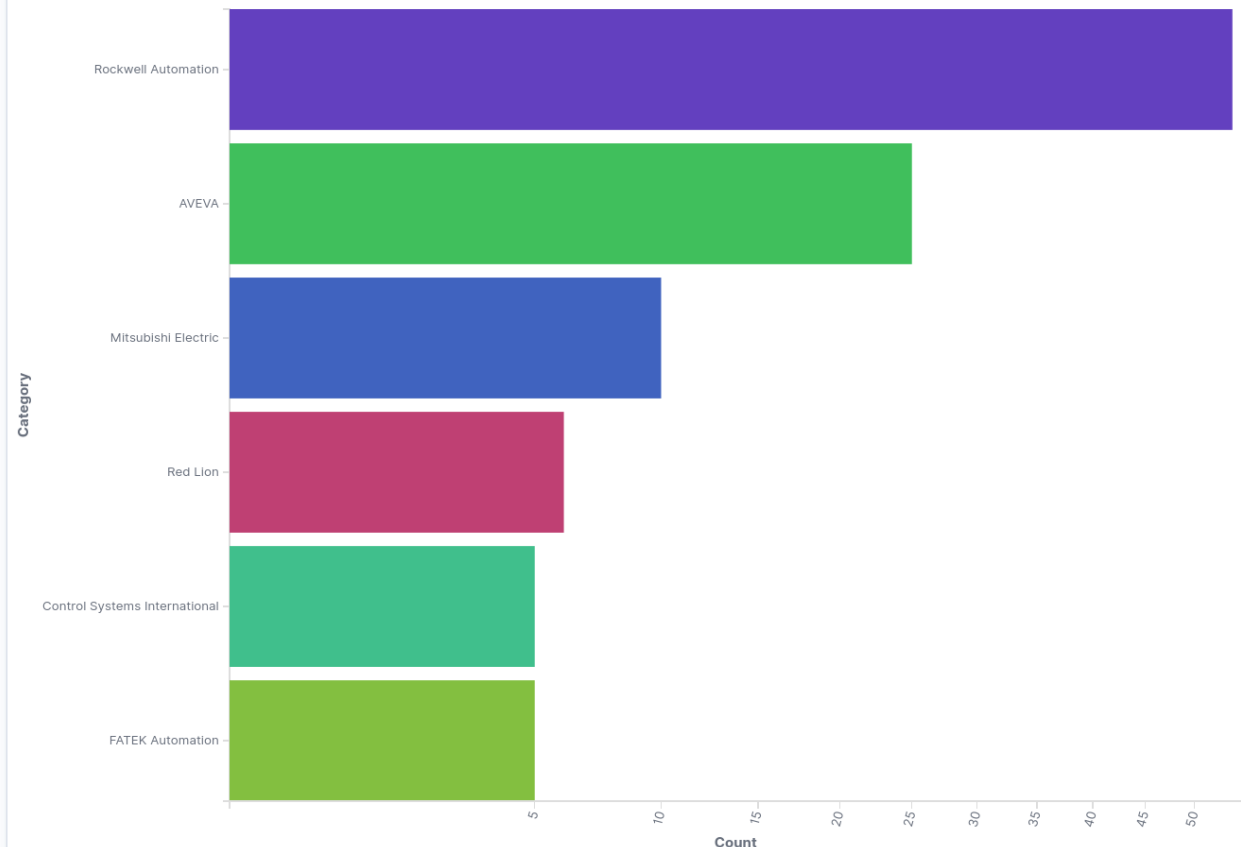
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### Best Guess Protocol - Destination

| Category                      | Protocol                                    | Transport |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------|
| AVEVA                         | OASys SCADA                                 | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell CSP                                | tcp       |
| AVEVA                         | OASys SCADA                                 | tcp       |
| Mitsubishi Electric           | Mitsubishi Electronic MELSEC-Q              | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Analysis Framework     | tcp       |
| Mitsubishi Electric           | Mitsubishi Electronic MELSEC-Q              | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Analysis Framework     | tcp       |
| FATEK Automation              | Fatek FB Series                             | tcp       |
| Control Systems International | I/NET 2000-NPR                              | tcp       |
| Red Lion                      | Red Lion CrimsonV3                          | tcp       |
| Red Lion                      | Red Lion CrimsonV3                          | tcp       |
| AVEVA                         | Wonderware                                  | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Transaction Manager          | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Configuration Server         | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk PI Notification        | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk PI Network Manager     | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Asset Framework Server | tcp       |

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### Best Guess - Category



### Best Guess Protocol - Source

| Category                      | Protocol                                    | Transport |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------|
| AVEVA                         | OASys SCADA                                 | tcp       |
| Mitsubishi Electric           | Mitsubishi Electronic MELSEC-Q              | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Analysis Framework     | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell CSP                                | tcp       |
| Red Lion                      | Red Lion CrimsonV3                          | tcp       |
| FATEK Automation              | Fatek FB Series                             | tcp       |
| Control Systems International | I/NET 2000-NPR                              | tcp       |
| AVEVA                         | Wonderware                                  | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Transaction Manager          | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Configuration Server         | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell RSSql Compression Server           | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk PI Notification        | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk PI Network Manager     | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk Asset Framework Server | tcp       |
| Rockwell Automation           | Rockwell FactoryTalk ACE2 Scheduler         | tcp       |

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| Result  | Count  |
|---------|--------|
| Success | 12,989 |
| Success | 9,723  |
| Success | 9,389  |
| Success | 8,937  |
| Success | 7,905  |



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# ARKIME: PACKET-LEVEL FORENSICS

**Sessions SPIView SPIGraph Connections Hunt Files Stats History Settings** v4.1.0

Search: protocols == http && bytes > 10000

Timeline: Start 2020/04/28 00:54:34 End 2020/04/28 03:23:48 Bounding Last Packet Interval Auto 02:29:14

Showing 51 - 100 of 125 entries

200 packets natural Packet Options Src Dst UnXOR Brute GZip Header UnXOR Unbase64

**Source (10.10.10.3:57690)** 343 bytes

2020/04/28 02:03:40

GET /PostExploitation/WMIops-master/WMIops.ps1 HTTP/1.1  
Accept: text/html, application/xhtml+xml, \*/\*  
Referer: http://10.10.10.11/PostExploitation/WMIops-master/  
Accept-Language: en-US  
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (compatible; MSIE 9.0; Windows NT 6.1; Trident/5.0)  
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate  
Host: 10.10.10.11  
Connection: Keep-Alive

**Destination (10.10.10.11:80)**

2020/04/28 02:03:40 203

HTTP/1.0 200 OK  
Server: SimpleHTTP/0.6 Python/2.7.17  
Date: Fri, 17 Apr 2020 19:24:48 GMT  
Content-type: application/octet-stream  
Content-Length: 86758  
Last-Modified: Wed, 11 Jan 2017 17:22:23 GMT

2020/04/28 02:03:40 786

WMIops.ps1

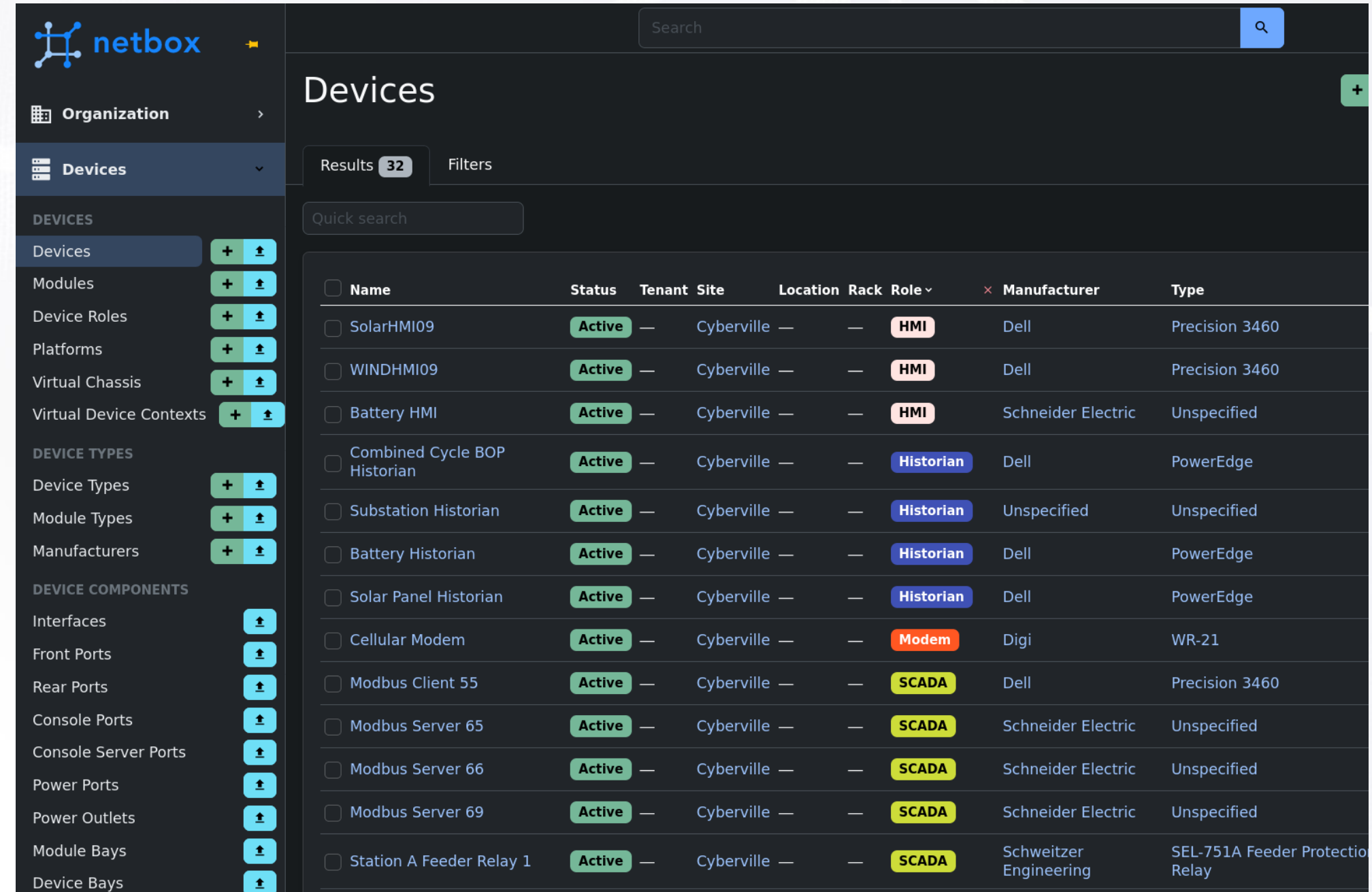
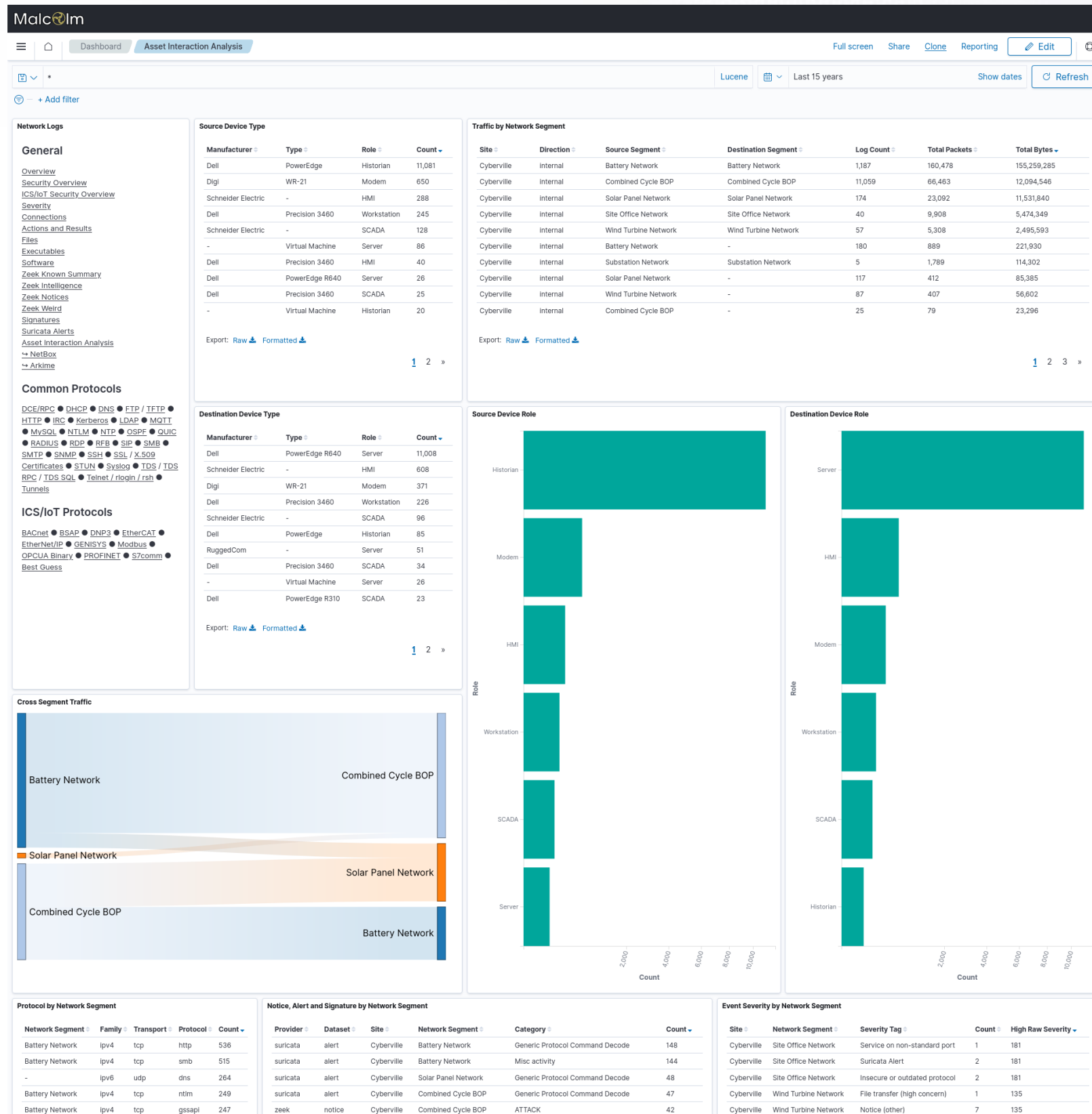
| + | tcp | http tcp | arkime | session | 2020/04/28 02:03:34 | 2020/04/28 02:03:34 | 10.10.10.3 | 80 | 154 | 179,221 | 187,573 | URI                                     |
|---|-----|----------|--------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|----|-----|---------|---------|---|
|   |     |          |        |         |                     |                     |            |    |     |         |         | 10.10.10.11/PostExploitation/View64.exe |
|   |     |          |        |         |                     |                     |            |    |     |         |         | 10.10.10.11/PostExploitation/View.exe   |



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# ASSET INTERACTION ANALYSIS



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# TOWARDS THE FUTURE

- Community Building
  - Official DHS-hosted Slack channel
  - Prepackaged training modules
  - Additional tutorial videos on YouTube
- Vulnerability/IOC sharing, identification (CSAF), and exploitation visibility (KEV)
- Improve asset inventory capabilities
  - Passive auto-population
  - Active scanning
- Further analytics, rule, and ML development
- Improve cloud deployment
- Improve integration of 3<sup>rd</sup> party/host logs
- Increase OT/ICS protocol support
  - HART-IP, IEC 61850 GOOSE, ANSI C12.22,



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# REACH OUT

<https://idaholab.github.io/Malcolm>

- downloads
- documentation and tutorials
- project status
- issue tracker
- ... and more!

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