### **InTIME: Cyber-Threat Intelligence Extraction & Sharing**



- An entirely Open Source framework for Cyber-Threat Intelligence (CTI) Extraction & Sharing
  - manages the complete CTI lifecycle
  - enhances security preparedness & awareness
- Machine learning-based web data gathering
  - efficient data discovery (e.g., 0-day vulnerabilities, exploits) from the clear, social, and dark web (e.g., forums, marketplaces, securityrelated websites, pastebins)
- Language model-based content ranking to assess its usefulness
  - statistical language modelling to represent content in lowdimensional space
  - ranks crawled content according to its potential to be useful

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- Natural language understanding and named entity recognition/ disambiguation
  - extracts CTI from crawled free text
  - domain specific entities
  - dependency parsing for more accurate extraction
  - specialised tools for semi-automated linking to known platform/ vulnerability naming schemes (e.g., CPEs. CVEs)
- Scalable CTI management and sharing
  - extends MISP platform
  - supports CTI storage, consolidation, exploration, inspection and visualisation
  - supports CTI sharing in both human and machine-based formats



#### **InTIME architecture**



Three main modules:

- data acquisition content harvesting (crawlers/scrappers)
- data analysis
  - content ranking
  - CTI extraction
- data management & sharing

Crawling	Data	Analysis			
Topical Crawler	Conter	nt Ranking			
Social Web Crawler	Data Pr	reprocessor			
Dark Web Crawler	Word2	Vec Trainer		Data Magazome	
	Topic Voci	Topic Vocabulary Creator		and Sharing	
Social Media Monitoring	Ranki	Ranking Engine		Additions	
Data Cleaner			->	Scheduling	
Feature Extractor	СПЕ	CTI Extraction		Data Objectificatio	
Model Trainer	Pre-trained	RegEx Matcher			
Classifier	NER Model	Phrase Matcher		Event Management	
Feed Monitoring	NP-Chunker	CPE Suggestion Engine		MISP	
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# **Content harvesting**

#### A family of crawlers/scrappers

- tunable & automated clear/ deep/social/dark web traversal
- thematic & in-depth crawling
- machine-learning based (SVMs/random forests direct the crawls)
- regex-support (structured domains)
- Integration with public
   VDBs (JVN, NVD, kbcert, vuldb, exploit db)







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#### **Content ranking**



A novel ranking/classification module:

- represent harvested content in latent low-dimensional space (adaptive to vocabulary changes)
- statistical language modeling to assess usefulness harvested content (captures salient concepts)
- machine-learning based (word embeddings/2-layer NNs & CNNs)
- noSQL data store

Excerpt from: www.iotforall.com/5-worst-iot-hacking-vulnerabilities
The Mirai Botnet (aka Dyn Attack) Back in October of 2016, the largest DDoS attack ever was launched on
service provider Dyn using an lot botnet. This led to huge portions of the internet going down, including
Twitter, the Guardian, Netflix, Reddit, and CNN.
This lot botnet was made possible by malware called Mirai. Once infected with Mirai, computers continually
search the internet for vulnerable lot devices and then use known default usernames and passwords to log
in, infecting them with malware. These devices were things like digital cameras and DVR players.
Relevance Score: 0.8563855440900794



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#### **CTI extraction**



#### Information extraction module:

- natural language understanding (machine-learning & rule based)
- named entity recognition & disambiguation (e.g., CPE suggestion)
- introduced CTI-specific entities

   (e.g., shell\_cmd, version, file,
   cpe/cve/cwe) alongside standard
   ones (e.g., org, date, ordinal)
- REST API w/ extracted CTI (JSON objects w/ entities & metadata)





### **CTI management & sharing**

CTI management & sharing module:

- efficient CTI storage & indexing
- easy-to-use CTI consolidation & correlation
- intuitive CTI inspection & visualisation
- supports CTI sharing in both human and machine-based formats



extends MISP platform



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#### **InTime & Open Source**



- InTime has been built using solely open source tools
- Very positive experience from the Open Source Ecosystem
  - Good documentation
    - Clear installation instructions, descriptive APIs
    - More details could be provided for DB design
  - Good scalability
    - The MISP system scaled up well to hundreds of thousands of entries
    - The storage and management of correlations was suboptimal, leading to performance bottlenecks and manageability issues (e.g. transferring of DB)
      - A more efficient database design could serve well here
- InTime is in the process of being published as open source
  - Code cleanup and documentation improvements



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