How The Dragos Platform's Asset Inventory Fuels Detection and Response

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Agenda

1. Building an Operational Asset Inventory
2. Prioritizing Vulnerabilities in OT Environments
3. From Intel to Defense Case Study
4. The Power of Proactive Threat Hunting
5. Live Question and Answer

Today's Industrial Systems

Operational Technology (OT)

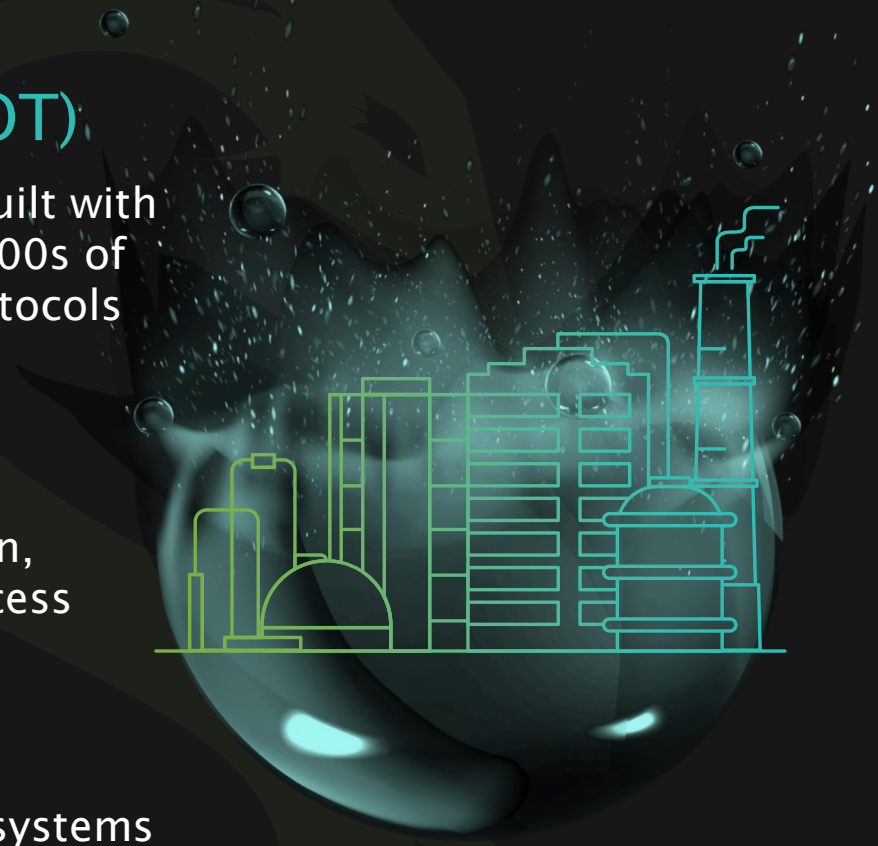
Massive scale systems built with OT & IOT assets with 100s of specialized system protocols

Connected

Modernization, digital transformation, remote & 3rd party access

Automated

Common software across systems widens target list for given attack method



Threats to OT & Industrial Systems

Unmanaged Risk

Unknown assets, connections, and vulnerabilities

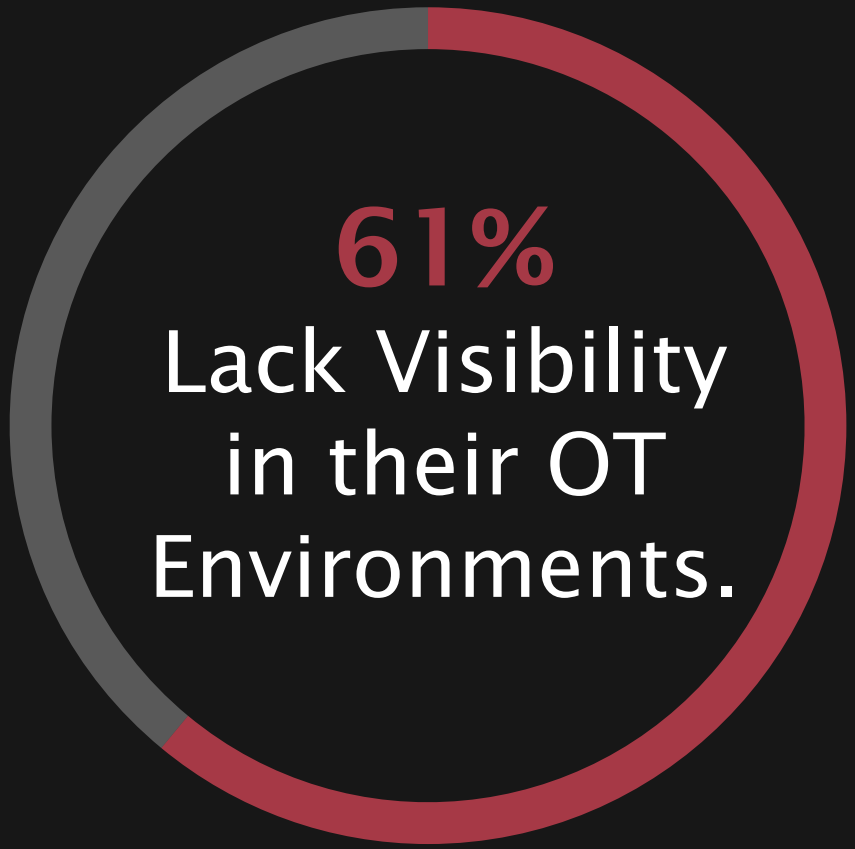
Blind Operations

Inability to identify and troubleshoot operational issues that can lead to outages

Ransomware & Adversary Activity

21 threat groups, 9 malware toolsets, plus active ransomware gangs targeting industrial systems

Building an Asset Inventory is Challenging



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Building an Asset Inventory

1. **Getting the Data:** Sourcing the data to get an accurate asset Inventory without impacting availability
2. **Lacking Standardization:** Inconsistent asset attributes across different vendors, asset types, and inputs
3. **Lacking OT Context:** Inadequate threat and vulnerability context linked to assets for effective decision-making

With Standardization and context, you can ask **questions** of that data:

- How many assets are we monitoring at my site?
- What are our crown jewels?
- How are these assets critical to the operation?
- What assets exposed to vulnerabilities?

The Dragos Ecosystem

OT CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE

Intelligence Reports, RFI's, & Concierge Analysts

Platform Analytics
Threats & Vulnerabilities

OT CYBER SERVICES

Proactive Assessments, Threat Hunting, & Incident Response

Expertise
Help Customers Build Their OT Defense

How It Works

Level 3
Level 2
Level 1

Collect Data in Levels 1-3 of Purdue Model

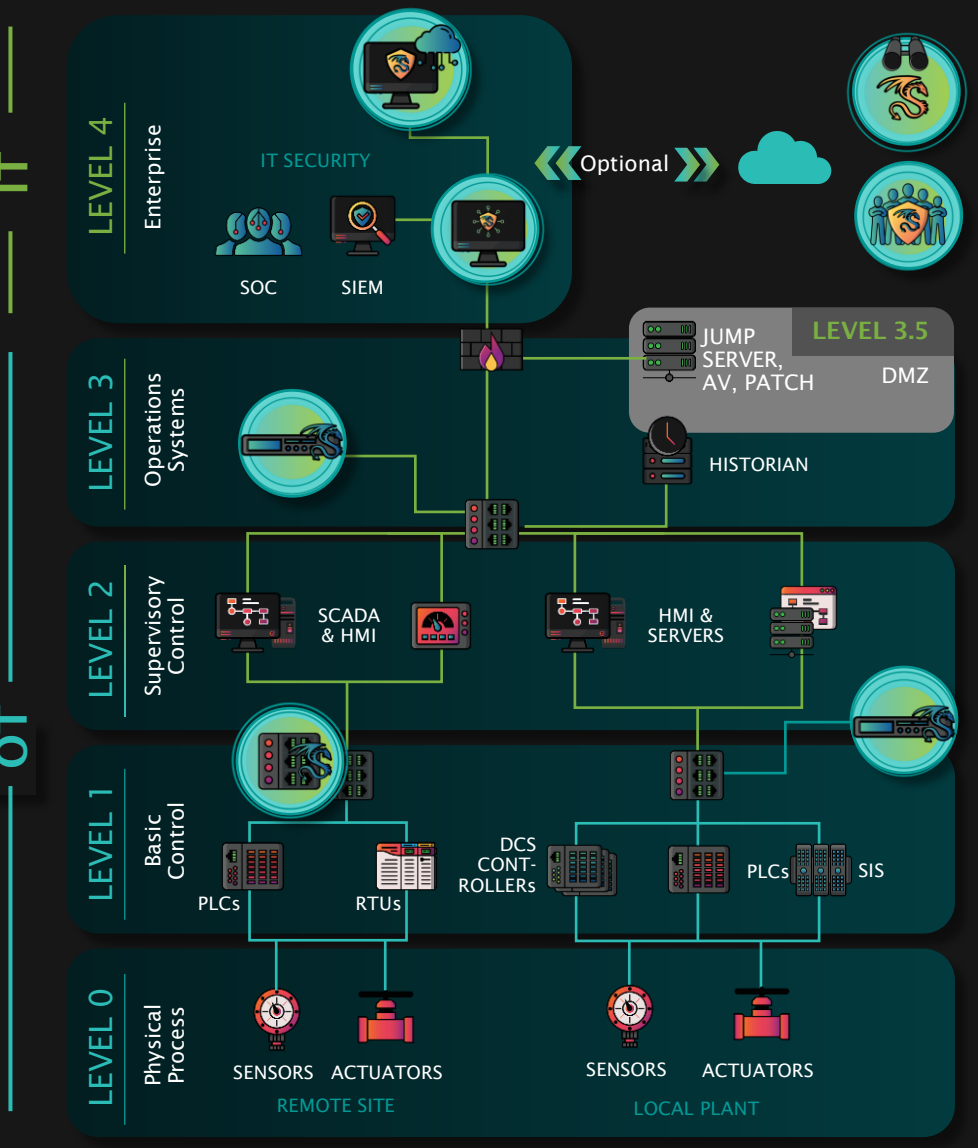
- Dragos network sensors, edge collector, & file ingest
- Analyze North-South & East-West traffic
- Passive-first approach

Monitor Your Environment via SiteStore

- Asset inventories & profiles
- “Now, next, never” prioritized vulnerability lists
- High fidelity threat detections with playbook-based investigation tools

Integrate into Security Processes

- Alerts flow into SIEM & SOC Tools
- Integrate asset groups with firewalls for policy, detections for action
- Vulnerabilities flow into service management tickets



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Operational Asset Inventory

Operationalize Threat Intelligence

TRANSFORM THREAT INTEL INTO DETECTIONS

UNDERSTAND THE THREAT

BEHAVIOR, CAPABILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE, INTENT

INITIAL ACCESS	EXECUTION	PERSISTENCE	PRIVILEGE ESCALATION	EVASION	DISCOVERY	LATERAL MOVEMENT	COLLECTION	COMMAND & CONTROL	INHIBIT RESPONSE FUNCTION	IMPAIR PROCESS CONTROL	IMPACT
Data Historian Compromise	Change Operating System	Modify Program	Exploitation for Privilege Escalation	Change Operating Mode	Network Connection Enumeration	Default Credentials	Automated Collection	Commonly Used Port	Activate Firmware Update Mode	Brute Force I/O	Damage to Property
Drive-by Compromise	Command Line Interface	Module Firmware	Hooking	Exploitation for Evasion	Network Sniffing	Exploitation of Remote Services	Data from Information Repositories	Connection Proxy	Alarm Suppression	Modify Parameter	Denial of Control
Engineering Workstation Compromise	Execution Through API	Project File Infection		Indicator Removal on Host	Remote System Discovery	Lateral Tool Transfer	Detect Operating System	Standard Application Layer Protocol	Block Command Message	Module Firmware	Denial of View
Exploit Public-Facing Application	Graphical User Interface	System Firmware		Masquerading	Remote System Information Discovery	Program Download	I/O Image		Block Reporting Message	Spoof Reporting Message	Loss of Availability
Exploitation of Remote Services	Hooking	Valid Accounts		Rootkit	Wireless Sniffing	Remote Services	Man in the Middle		Block Serial COM	Unauthorized Command Message	Loss of Control
Internet Accessible Device	Modify Controller Tasking			Spoof Reporting Message		Valid Accounts	Monitor Process State		Data Destruction		Loss of Productivity & Revenue
Remote Services	Native API						Point & Tag Identification		Denial of Service		Loss of Protection
Replication Through Removable Media	Scripting						Program Upload		Detect Restart/ Shutdown		Loss of Safety
Rogue Master	User Execution						Screen Capture		Manipulate I/O Image		Loss of View
Spearfishing Attachment							Wireless Sniffing		Modify Alarm Settings		Manipulation of Control
Supply Chain Compromise									Rootkit		Manipulation of View
Wireless Compromise									Service Stop		Theft of Operational System
									System Firmware		

DATA SOURCES: DRAGOS THREAT INTELLIGENCE, OSINT RESEARCH, THIRD-PARTY THREAT INTELLIGENCE

OPERATIONAL CONSTRAINTS

PIVOT AGAINST BEHAVIORS & OPERATE WITHIN PLATFORM CAPABILITIES

Type

Indicator
Configuration
Modeling
Threat Behavior

Complexity

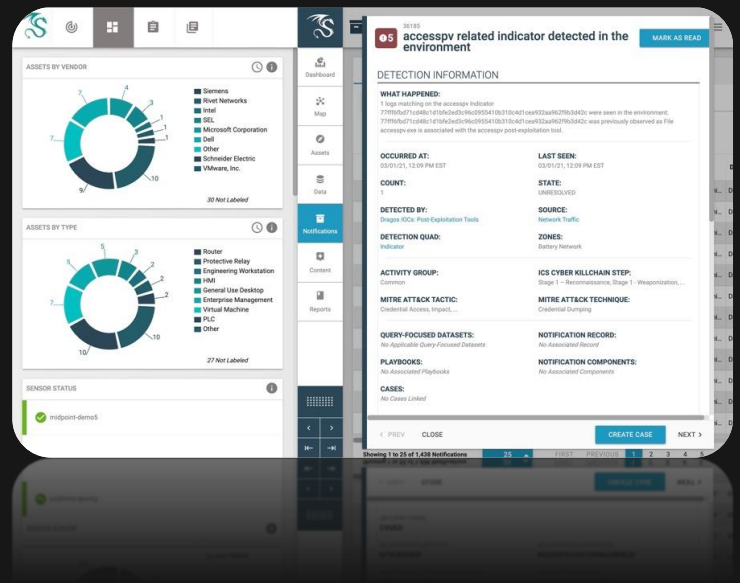
Atomic
Composite

Telemetry

Network Monitoring
Host Logs

DETECTIONS ARE CODIFIED IN THE DRAGOS PLATFORM

KNOWLEDGE PACKS RELEASED REGULARLY WITH NEW THREAT INTELLIGENCE-DRIVEN DETECTIONS



NEIGHBORHOOD KEEPER

Free anonymous collective intelligence data network

- Automate KnowledgePack updates – vulns, detections, dashboards, & more
- Receive notifications of emergent vulnerabilities & threats
- Access community wide threat data

OT WATCH

OT cyber threat hunting service by Dragos experts

- Continuous hunting with critical escalations & support during IR
- Alerts on misconfigurations that impact operations efficiency
- Quarterly insights and weekly status reports

FROSTYGOOP ICS MALWARE

9th
known ICS malware

Dragos discovered FrostyGoop binaries in April 2024.

1st
Modbus ICS malware that causes effects on ICS devices

FrostyGoop interacts directly with industrial control systems (ICS) using Modbus TCP over port 502.

Dragos Ecosystem – Frostygoop Example

May 2024 – WorldView Subscribers Alerted of FrostyGoop malware

June 2024 – WorldView Subscribers Alerted of Confirmed Attack on OT

July 2024 – Briefing for Dragos Customers

July 2024 – Public Announcement of FrostyGoop, 9th ICS Malware

OT CTI

PLATFORM & OT WATCH

NK

Dragos OT CTI Team

Neighborhood Keeper

Dragos Platform

OT Watch Threat Hunting

Dragos Platform

Neighborhood Keeper

Dragos Intel Discovers and Researches.	Threat Analytics Run On Neighborhood Keeper	Threat Analytics Deployed via KP	Daily Threat Hunts from OTW	Composite Detections Deployed via KP+	Run Threat Analytics Across NK Fleet
Identify new malware with low confidence after attack, develop IOC & behaviors	Hunters query data, send Trusted Insight Response if high value analytic seen, all anonymous	<1 Day from WorldView Alert	FrostyGoop run added to OTWatch daily hunts	Detect adversarial activity with composite detections + respond with embedded Playbooks	If found, notification via dashboards

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Threat and Response Workflow

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Threat Hunting in OT Environments

Actioning Intelligence

1 **Threat Discovery:**
Circumstance or event with the potential to adversely impact organizational operations (NIST)

2 **Threat Intelligence:**
Detailed actionable threat information used to prevent and fight cybersecurity threats targeting an organization

3 **Threat Hunting:**
Proactively discovering, identifying and investigating known and unknown cyber-threats within a network

4 Putting It All Together

- Threat Hunt Hypothesis?
- Data Required?
- Duration Required?
- Access / Visibility Required?

How OT Watch Threat Hunts

Threat-Hunting-as-a-Service – Provides peace of mind by adding a human element to detecting threats

Threat Hunting Example: Critical Vuln

AA-2024-28: CVE-2024-6242, Rockwell Automation Trusted Slot Bypass Vulnerability

Threat Intelligence

- Chassis restrictions bypass vulnerability
  - 1756-L8z
  - 1756-L8zS
  - 1756-EN2T (A/B/C/D)
  - 1756-EN2F (A/B/C)
  - 1756-EN2TR (A/B/C)
  - 1756-EN3TR (A/B)

Hunting Process

- Hypothesis generation
- Data requirements
  - Data fields
  - Query build
- Duration requirements
  - Time / visibility
- Execution

Threat Hunt Outputs

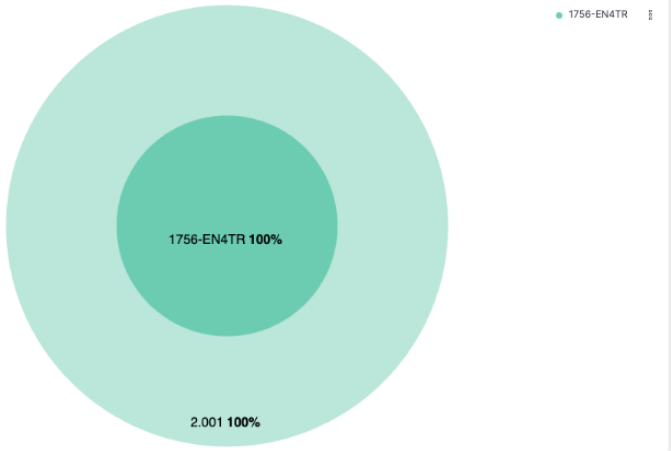
- IR Notification or Support
- Critical Finding Escalation
- Weekly Hunting Reports
- Update to Vulnerability Management Database

Integrated Threat Hunting Results

Platform Dashboards and Threat Summaries

Select Dashboard: OTW-45674 - CVE-2024-6242 - Rockwell Auto...

CVE-2024-6242 - Rockwell Automation Host Hardware Model and Firmware Version



CVE-2024-6242 - Vulnerable Host Information

Top values of asset_id	Host Hardware Vendor	Host Hardware Model	Host Hardware Firmware Version	Host Hardware Family
9019	Rockwell Automation	1756-EN4TR	2.001	ControlLogix

AA-2024-28: Dragos Threat Intelligence Summary

Dragos Threat Intelligence Summary - AA-2024-28: CVE-2024-6242 - Rockwell Automation Trusted Slot Bypass Vulnerability

Summary

On 7 August 2024, Dragos WorldView published AA-2024-08 related to CVE-2024-6242, a vulnerability in Rockwell Automation's ControlLogix and GuardLogix PLCs. This vulnerability allows an adversary to bypass the "trusted slot feature," an optional security mechanism intended to disallow unauthorized communication between Input/Output (I/O) modules mounted to the PLC's chassis.

While media coverage has labeled this vulnerability as severe, it is worth noting that multiple requirements need to be satisfied for successful exploitation including network access. PLCs should always be viewed as insecure by design and should be protected from uncontrolled communication. Further, exploitation requirements provide multiple mitigation opportunities for defenders. Additionally, Dragos researchers have discovered several techniques that bypass the provided Snort Rule designed to detect the bypass technique. Additional coverage for these bypass techniques will be included in KP_Plus-9.0.0 and are detailed in Dragos WorldView product AA-2024-28: CVE-2024-6242, Rockwell Automation Trusted Slot Bypass Vulnerability.

Threat Analysis	Analyst Assessment
Audience	Operational Technology (OT) Network Security Analysts, Information Technology (IT) Network Security Analysts, Executives, and Managers
Targeted Sector/Industry	Multiple or Many (all) Industries (9999)
Targeted Region	Worldwide

Threat Hunting Example: FrostyGoop

AA-2024-23: FrostyGoop Impact on Ukraine Municipal District Energy Company

- New Network Asset

+ New Modbus Connection TCP over port 502

+ Function codes: 3, 6, 16

+ Specific adversary tradecraft / coding behaviors

- Hypothesis generation
- Data requirements
  - Data fields
  - Query build
- Duration requirements
  - Time / visibility
- Execution

- IR Notification or Support
- Critical Finding Escalation
- Weekly Hunting Reports
- Dashboard Deployment

Engaging Dragos

1	2	3
Not sure where to start	Want to Implement OT Monitoring	Want to implement, but not ready or under resourced
SANS 5 CC with Dragos Rapid Response Retainer (RRR)	**Dragos Platform**	**Dragos Platform + OTWatch**
Start with SANS 5 ICS Critical Controls Secure Dragos Dragos RRR; burn down with Tabletop Exercise (TTX) to set requirements and Architecture Review (AR) to validate current state.	Implement OT Visibility & Monitoring; Focus on operationalization ADD Rapid Response Retainer for IR help and proactive assessments; ADD OTWatch for expert threat hunting protection	Platform + OTWatch provides expert OT threat hunting protection ADD Deployment Services to streamline rollout

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS