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## Preface

The Sentinel Technical documentation is general-purpose operation and reference guide. This documentation is intended for Information Security Professionals. The text in this documentation is designed to serve as a source of reference about Sentinel's Enterprise Security Management System. There is additional documentation available on the Novell Web Portal (<http://www.novell.com/documentation/>).

Sentinel Technical documentation is broken down into six different volumes. They are:

- Volume I – Sentinel Install Guide
- Volume II – Sentinel User Guide
- Volume III – Sentinel Collector Builder User Guide
- Volume IV – Sentinel User Reference Guide
- Volume V – Sentinel 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Integration
- Volume VI – Sentinel Patch Installation Guide

### Volume I – Sentinel Install Guide

This guide explains how to install:

- Sentinel Server
- Sentinel Console
- Sentinel Correlation Engine
- Sentinel Crystal Reports
- Collector Builder
- Collector Manager
- Advisor

### Volume II – Sentinel User Guide

This guide discusses:

- Sentinel Console Operation
- Sentinel Features
- Sentinel Architecture
- Sentinel Communication
- Shutdown/Startup of Sentinel
- Vulnerability assessment
- Event monitoring
- Event filtering
- Event correlation
- Sentinel Data Manager
- Event Configuration for Business Relevance
- Mapping Service
- Historical reporting
- Collector Host Management
- Incidents
- Cases
- User management
- Workflow

### Volume III – Collector Builder User Guide

This guide discusses:

- Collector Builder Operation
- Collector Manager
- Collectors
- Collector Host Management
- Building and maintaining Collectors

### Volume IV - Sentinel User Reference Guide

This guide discusses:

- Collector scripting language
- Collector parsing commands
- Collector administrator functions
- Collector and Sentinel meta-tags
- Sentinel correlation engine
- User Permissions
- Correlation command line options
- Sentinel database schema

## Volume V - Sentinel 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Integration Guide

- Remedy
- HP OpenView Operations
- HP Service Desk

## Volume VI - Sentinel Patch Installation Guide

- Patching from Sentinel 4.x to 6.0
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- Sentinel Installation Guide
- Sentinel Patch Installation Guide
- Sentinel User Reference Guide

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- Notes and Warnings

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**NOTE:** Notes provide additional information that might be useful or for reference.

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oracle
```
- Go to Start > Program Files > Control Panel to perform this action: Multiple actions in a step.
- References
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  - For more information, see section, “Chapter Name” (if in the same Guide).
  - For more information, see Section Name in Chapter Name, *Name of the Guide* (if in a different Guide).

## Other References

The following manuals are available with the Sentinel install CDs.

- Sentinel User Guide
- Sentinel Collector Builder User Guide
- Sentinel User Reference Guide
- Sentinel 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Integration Guide
- Release Notes

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## Sentinel Control Center

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### About Sentinel Control Center

Sentinel™ is a Security Information and Event Management solution that receives information from many sources throughout an enterprise, standardizes it, prioritizes it and presents it to you to make threat, risk and policy related decisions. The Sentinel Control Center (SCC) is the main user interface for viewing and interacting with this data.

Sentinel gathers and correlates security and non-security information from across an organization's networked infrastructure, as well as third-party systems, devices and applications. Sentinel presents the collected data in a more sensible GUI, identifies security or compliance issues, and tracks remediation activities, streamlining previously error-prone processes and building a more rigorous and secure management program.

The Sentinel Control Center includes the following functional tabs and interfaces:

- “Active Views”
- “Incidents”
- “iTRAC”
- “Analysis”
- “Advisor”
- “Admin”
- “Correlation”

### Active Views

The *Active Views* tab presents events in near-real time.

In the *Active Views* tab, you can:

- View events occurring in near real-time
- Investigate events
- Graph events
- Perform historical queries to collect data for a specified period
- Invoke right-click functions
- Initiate manual incidents and remediation workflows

### Incidents

An incident is a set of events that require attention (for example, a possible attack). Incidents centralize the data and typically comprise a correlated event, the associated events that triggered a correlation rule, asset details of the affected systems, vulnerability state of the affected systems and any remediation information, if known. Incidents can be associated with a remediation workflow in iTRAC, if specified. An incident associated to an iTRAC workflow allows users to track the remediation state of the incident.

In the *Incidents* Tab, you can:

- Manage incident views
- View and manage incidents and their associated data
- Switch between existing incident views

## iTRAC

iTRAC's stateful incident remediation workflow capability allows you to incorporate your organization's incident response processes into Sentinel.

In the *iTRAC* tab, you can:

- Create custom workflow templates
- Edit workflow templates
- Create custom activities
- Edit activities
- Associate activities with workflow steps
- Initiate and execute Processes

## Analysis

The *Analysis* tab is the historical reporting interface for Sentinel. Reports are published on a Web server and can be rendered in the analysis tab or in an external browser. You can also run and save an Offline Query for later quick retrieval of search results.

## Advisor

Advisor is an optional module that provides real-time correlation between detected IDS attacks and vulnerability scan output in order to immediately indicate increased risk to an organization.

## Admin

The *Admin* tab provides you access to perform the administrative actions and configuration settings in Sentinel.

In the *Admin* tab, can import and manage Sentinel content focused on regulatory compliance using Solution Packs. You can also configure:

- Archive
- Reports
- Events
- Global Filters
- Color Filter
- Mapping
- Menus
- Filters
- Users
- Das Statistics
- Event File Info
- Reporting Data

With Server View Manager you can monitor (Stop/Start/Restart) the processes that Sentinel holds.

## Correlation

The Correlation tab provides an interface to create and deploy rules to detect suspicious or malicious patterns of events.

In the *Correlation* tab, you can:

- Create and edit rules
- Deploy/Undeploy rules
- Add an action and associate it to a rule
- Configure dynamic lists

## Event Source Management

The *Event Source Management* (ESM) interface is available through the Sentinel Control Center menu. It allows you to manage and monitor connections between Sentinel and its event sources using Sentinel Connectors and Sentinel Collectors.

In the ESM, you can:

- Import/export Connectors and Collectors from/to the centralized repository available in ESM
- Add/edit connections to event sources through the configuration wizards
- View the real-time status of the connections to event sources
- Monitor data flowing through the Collectors and Connector

## Sentinel Collectors

The Collectors parse the data and deliver a richer event stream by injecting taxonomy, exploit detection and business relevance into the data stream before events are correlated and analyzed and sent to the database.

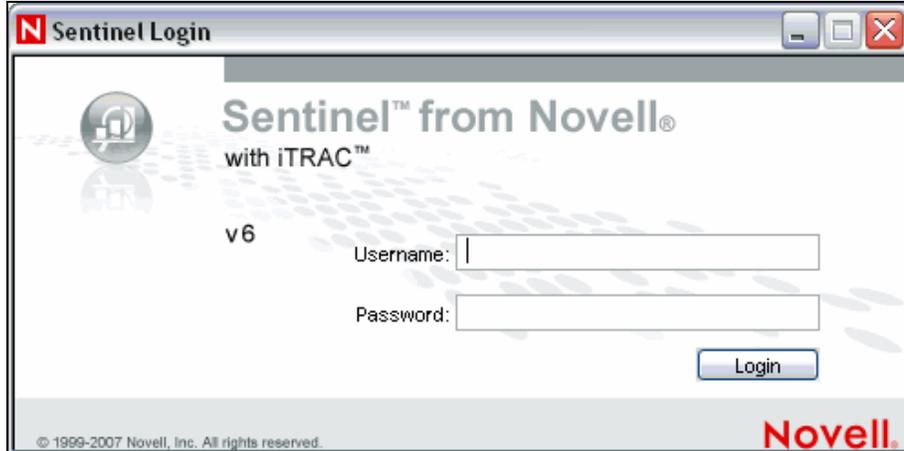
## Sentinel Connectors

The Connectors use industry standard methods to connect to the data source to get raw data.

# Log in to the Sentinel Control Center

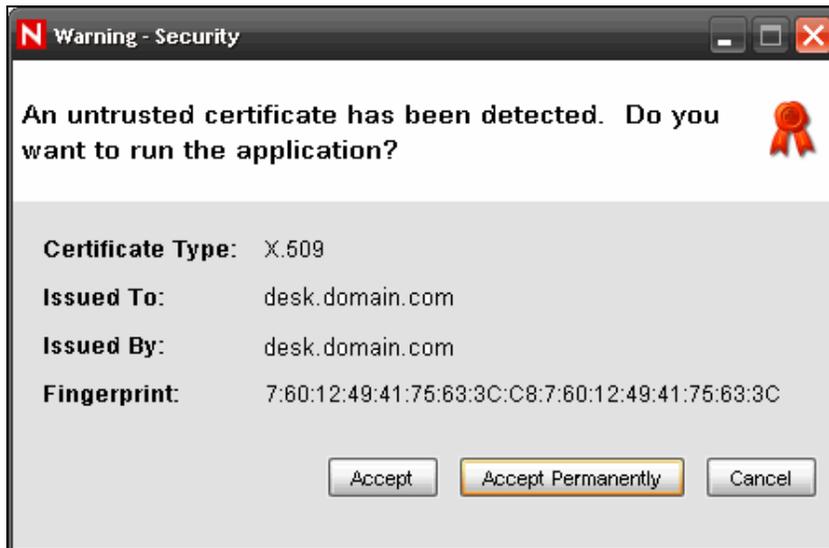
To Start the Sentinel Control Center on Windows:

1. Go to *Start > Programs > Sentinel* and select *Sentinel Control Center*. *Sentinel Login* window displays.



*Figure 1-1: Sentinel Login window*

2. Provide the user credentials you are provided with to log-in to Sentinel Control Center.
  - Username and password, if using SQL Server authentication, OR
  - Domain\username and password, if using Windows authentication
3. Click *Login*.
4. On the first login, the following warning message displays. The user must accept the certificate in order to securely log in to the Sentinel Control Center



*Figure 1-2: Warning-Security window*

5. If you select *Accept*, this message displays every time you try to start Sentinel on your system. To avoid this, you can select *Accept permanently*.

To Start the Sentinel Control Center on Linux and Solaris:

1. As the Sentinel Administrator User (esecadm), change directory to:  

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```
2. Run the following command:  

```
control_center.sh
```
3. Provide your username and password and click *OK*.
4. A *Certificate* window displays, if you select *Accept*, this message displays every time you try to start Sentinel on your system. To avoid this, you can select *Accept permanently*.

## Introduction to the User Interface

In the Sentinel Control Center user interface, you can perform the activities through the following components:

- “Menu Bar”
- “Toolbar”
- “Tabs”
- “Frames”

Sentinel Control Center provides you the “dockable” framework, which allows you to move the Toolbars, Tabs or Frames from their default location to user-specific locations for ease-of-use.

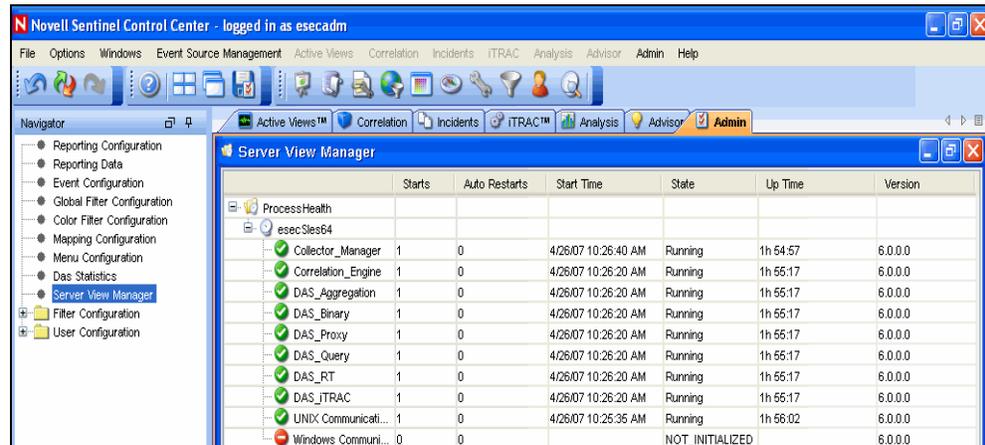


Figure 1-3: Sentinel Control Center

## Menu Bar

The menu bar has the menus required to Navigate, perform activities and change the appearance of Sentinel Control Center.



Figure 1-4: Menu Bar

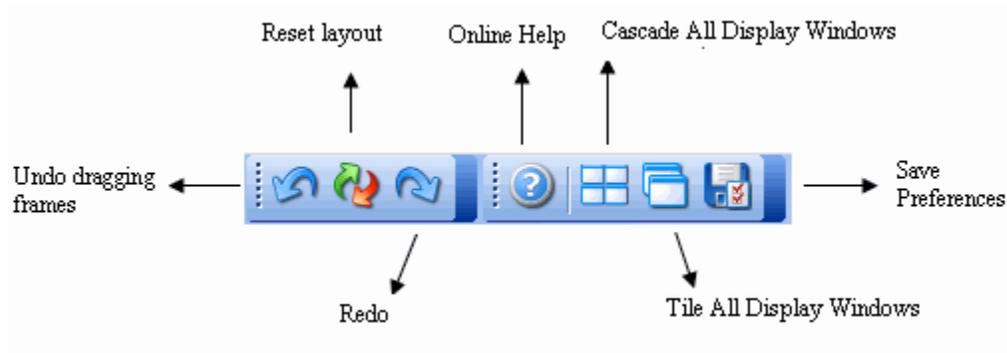
The *File*, *Options*, *Event Source Management*, *Windows* and *Help* menus are always available. The availability of other menus depends on your location in the console and permissions.

## Toolbar

The Tool Bar allows you to perform the Tab specific functions. There are four system-wide toolbar buttons that are always displayed. These toolbar buttons are *View Sentinel Help*, *Cascade All Display Windows*, *Tile All Display Windows* and *Save User Preferences*. The availability of other toolbar buttons depends on your location in the console and permissions.

### System-Wide Toolbar

The system-wide toolbar buttons are:



*Figure 1-5: System-Wide Toolbar*

### Tab Specific Toolbar buttons

Tab-specific toolbar buttons allows you to perform the functions related to each tab.

Active Views	
Correlation	
Incidents	
iTRAC	
Analysis	
Admin	

*Table 1-1: Tab Specific Toolbar Buttons*

For more information on Tabs-specific toolbar buttons, see the sections on each of the Tabs mentioned in the list above.

## Tabs

Depending on your access permissions, Sentinel Control Center displays the following tabs.

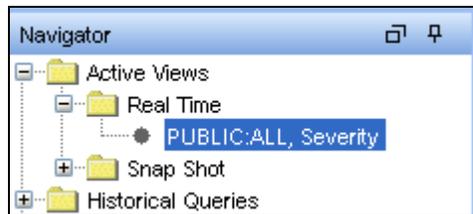
- Active Views™
- Correlation
- Incidents
- iTRAC™
- Analysis
- Advisor
- Admin

For more information about Tabs, see the sections on each tab.

## Frames

Sentinel provides a dock-able framework which allows you to drag frames on the screen to place them in user preferred locations. In a frame the following buttons displays, which allow you to drag/hide frames.

- Toggle Floating
- Toggle Auto-hide



**Figure 1-6:** Navigator Frame

To drag a frame to any location:

1. Click *Toggle Floating* icon on the Frame or hold the frame and drag it to the desired location.

To hide a frame:

1. Click *Toggle Auto-hide* icon.

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**NOTE:** You can undo dragging or reset to default position using the toolbar buttons.

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## Navigating through Sentinel Control Center

To navigate using Toolbar:

1. Click the tab you need to work on.
2. Click toolbar buttons to perform the actions.

To navigate using Menu bar:

1. Click the tab menu in the Menu bar.
2. Select an action you need to perform.

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**NOTE:** This procedure is generic for all the tabs in Sentinel Control Center. Navigation specific procedures for tabs are discussed in the relevant sections.

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## Changing the appearance of Sentinel Control Center

You can change the Sentinel Control Center's look by:

- “Setting the Tab Position”
- “Cascading Windows”
- “Tiling Windows”
- “Minimizing and Restoring Windows”
- “Closing all open Windows”
- “Docking or Floating a frame”
- “Showing or Hiding a frame”

## Setting the Tab Position

To set the tab position:

1. Click *Options > Tab Placement*.
2. Select either *Top* or *Bottom*.

## Cascading Windows

To cascade windows:

1. Click *Windows > Cascade All*. All open windows in the right panel cascade.

## Tiling Windows

To Tile Windows:

1. Click *Windows > Tile All*.
2. Select from the following to meet your requirement:
  - *Tile Best Fit*
  - *Tile Vertical*
  - *Tile Horizontal*

## Minimizing and Restoring Windows

To minimize all windows:

1. Click *Windows > Minimize All*. All open windows in the right panel minimize.

To restore windows to original size:

1. Click *Windows > Restore All*. All open windows in the right panel restores to their original size.

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**NOTE:** Use the Minimize and Restore options provided on the top-right corner of the tab to minimize individual tabs.

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## Closing all open Windows

To close all windows:

1. Click *Windows > Close All*.

## Saving User Preferences

If the user has permissions to save their workspace, they can save the following preferences:

- Permanent windows that are not dependent on data that was available at the time of their original creation.
- Active Views
- Summary displays

- Window positions
- Window sizes, including the application window
- Tab positions
- Navigator docked or floating and showing or hidden

The following preferences are not saved when the user logs out:

- Snapshots
- Historical event queries
- Secondary windows opened from one of the primary windows in the *Admin Navigator*
- Column widths in *Active Views*

To save your preferences:



1. Click *File > Save Preferences* or click

## Changing Password

To change your Sentinel Control Center password:

1. Click *Options > Change Password*.
2. Provide the old password.
3. Provide the new password and matching confirm password.
4. Click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** For more information on password security, see [Setting Passwords](#) in [Best Practices](#) section in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.

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## Hostname updates

If the hostname of a system is changed, you might need to perform some of the following actions on the system depending on the Sentinel components installed on it.

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### IMPORTANT:

Stop Sentinel Service before you perform these actions.

You might need to update all the machines (which have components affected by the hostname change) before you restart Sentinel service on any machine.

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### Scenario 1: Change in Sentinel Database Hostname

In this scenario, the affected components are DAS and SDM. So you might need to

- Update the DAS
- Update SDM

The configuration file enables DAS to connect to the database. So, you need to update the configuration files to update DAS.

To update DAS:

1. Login to the machine where DAS is installed as `esecadm` (on UNIX), or as an administrator (on Windows).
2. Stop the Sentinel Services running on the machine.
3. Go to `ESEC_HOME\bin`:
  - On Unix, type the command `cd $ESEC_HOME/bin`

- On Windows, type the command `cd /d %ESEC_HOME%\bin`
- 4. Update DAS configuration files on Unix and Windows using the following commands.
  - On Unix, execute `./dbconfig -a ../config -h <new DB hostname>`.
  - On Windows, execute `.\dbconfig -a ..\config -h <new DB hostname>`.

You require the Database Hostname to login to SDM. To login to SDM, you might need to update the Database Hostname in SDM login window.

#### To Update SDM

1. Open *Sentinel Data Manager*.
2. In the login window, provide details of the Database, new hostname and other required details.
3. Click *Connect*.

## Scenario 2: Change in Sentinel Communication Server Hostname

In this scenario, the affected components are Communication Server, DAS, Correlation Engine, Sentinel Collector Manager and Sentinel Control Center. So you might need to

- Update the Communication Server
- Update DAS, Correlation Engine, Sentinel Collector Manager, Sentinel Control Center

You might need to re-install the Communication Server to update the Hostname change.

#### To re-install Communication Server:

1. Login as root (Unix) or administrator (Windows) on the system where the Communication Server is installed.
2. Run Sentinel Uninstaller. In the *Select components to Uninstall* window, select *Communication Server* and deselect all other options.  
Follow instructions in [Uninstalling Sentinel](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide* as required and complete uninstallation.
3. Click *Finish*.
4. Insert (and mount, on Solaris/Linux only) the Sentinel Installer CD.
5. Run the setup file. In the *Select components to Install* window, select *Communication Server* only.  
Follow the instructions in [Installing Sentinel 6.0](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide* as required and complete installation.
6. Reboot the system.

The configuration file that connects the Communication Server and Sentinel processes needs to be updated. You might need to perform the steps given below on all machines with DAS, Correlation Engine, Collector Manager, and Sentinel Control Center installed.

#### To update DAS, Correlation Engine, Collector Manager, and Sentinel Control Center:

1. Go to `ESEC_HOME/config/` and edit `configuration.xml`.
2. Replace the four occurrences of the Communications Server Hostname with the new Hostname.
3. Save and exit the `configuration.xml` file.

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**IMPORTANT:**

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After the steps mentioned above are performed, restart the Sentinel Services for the changes to take affect.

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# 2

## Active Views™ Tab

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### Understanding Active Views

The *Active Views* tab presents events in near-real time. In the *Active Views* tab, you can:

- View events occurring in near real time
- Investigate events
- Graph Events
- Perform Historical Statistical Analysis
- Invoke right-click functions
- Initiate manual incidents and remediation workflows

An event represents a normalized log record reported to Sentinel from a third party security, network, or application device or from an internal Sentinel source. There are several types of events:

- External Events (event received from a security device), such as:
  - An attack detected by an Intrusion Detection System (IDS)
  - A successful login reported by an operating system
  - A customer-defined situation such as a user accessing a file
- Internal Events (an event generated by Sentinel), including:
  - A correlation rule being disabled
  - Database filling up

You can monitor the events in a tabular form or using several different types of charts, you can perform queries for recent events.

**NOTE:** Access to these features can be enabled or disabled for each user. For more information, see [Sentinel Database Users, Roles and Access Permissions](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

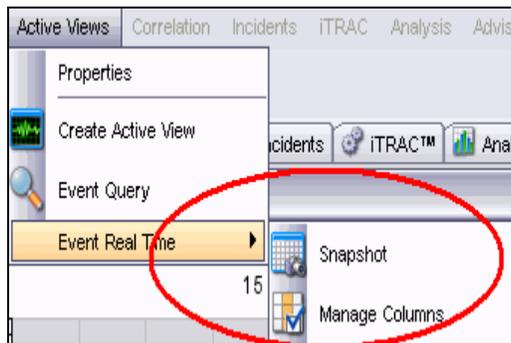
## Introduction to the User Interface

In *Active Views*, you can see *Create Active View* and *Event Query*. You can navigate to these functions from:

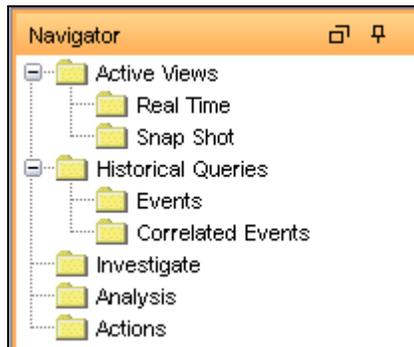
- a. The Active View menu in the Menu Bar



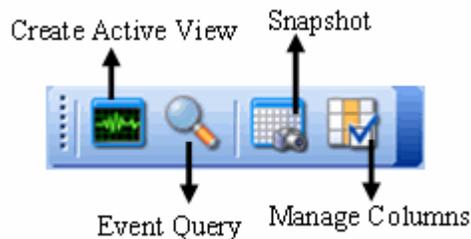
- b. When you create a filter, The Active View menu has these additional options.



- c. The Navigation Tree in the Navigation Pane



- d. The Toolbar Buttons



**Table 2-1:** Active View-User Interface

Active Views provides two types of views which display the events in Tables and Graphs.

Table Format displays the variables of the events as columns in a table. You can sort the information in the grid by clicking on the column name.

Severity	EventTime	EventName	EventID	SourceID	Collector
🟡	5/8/07 12:33:31 PM	DbSpaceLow	B30E4A43-DAB9-1029-9D0A-00123...	A6C489C0-DAB9-1029-9F5C-00123F9...	
🟡	5/8/07 12:33:31 PM	DbSpaceLow	B30E4A43-DAB9-1029-9D08-00123...	A6C489C0-DAB9-1029-9F5C-00123F9...	
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Figure 2-1: Active View-Tabular Format

Graphical Format displays events as Graphs. You can change the chart types to display other chart types.

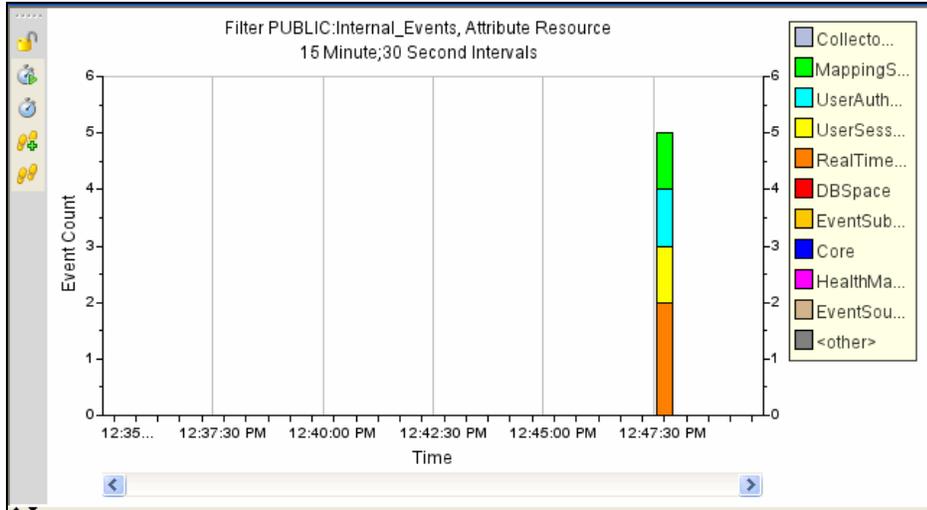


Figure 2-2: Active View-Graphical Format

A near Real Time Event Table with graphical presentation and Snapshot are the two types of Active Views.

- Near Real Time Event Table:
  - Holds up to 750 events per 30-second period. If there are more than 750 events, the events are displayed in the following priority order: correlated events, events that are sent to the GUI only using a global filter, and all remaining events.
  - By default, the client maintains a 24-hour period of cached events. This is configurable through “Active View Properties”.
  - By default, the smallest possible display interval of an active view is 30 seconds. This is represented by a gray line in the event table.

🟡	2005.06.21 / 06:34:38 EDT			Threshold_ex
🟡	2005.06.21 / 06:34:38 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.12	Password_ex
🟡	2005.06.21 / 06:34:28 EDT	10.0.0.22	10.0.0.9	Program_exe

Figure 2-3: Gray Line- Smallest Possible Display Interval

In the event when there are more than 750 per 30-second time period, a red separation line displays indicating that there are more events than what is displayed.

🟡	2005.06.21 / 07:07:00 EDT	10.0.0.11	10.0.0.21	unsuccessfu
🟡	2005.06.21 / 07:07:00 EDT	10.0.0.13	10.0.0.35	suspicious-fil
🟡	2005.06.21 / 07:06:58 EDT	10.0.0.54	10.0.0.25	successful-a

Figure 2-4: Red Line- More Events then Displayed

- On saving user preferences, system continues to collect data for 4 days. For instance, if you save your preferences, log out and log back in the following day, your *Active View* displays data as if you never logged off.
  - If an *Active View* is created and not saved, it will continue to collect data for an hour. Within that hour time frame if an identical *Active View* is created, the *Active View* displays data for the last hour.
- **Snapshot:** Time-stamped views of a *Real Time Event View table*.

The following is what makes an Active View unique.

- Filter assigned to an Active View
- The z-axis attribute
- The security filter assigned to a user

The *Active Views* Tab allows you to:

- “Reconfigure Total Display Time”
- “Add Events to an incident”
- “Close a Snapshot or Visual Navigator Window”
- “Create an Incident”
- “Custom Menu Options with Events”
- “Investigate Event Query”
- “Investigate Graph Map”
- “View Advisor Data”
- “Manage Columns”
- “Send messages about Events by e-mail”
- “Show or Hide Event Details”
- “Snapshot of a Visual Navigator Window”
- “View Events that triggered a correlated event”
- “View Vulnerability Visualization”
- “View Asset Data”
- “Ticketing System Integration”

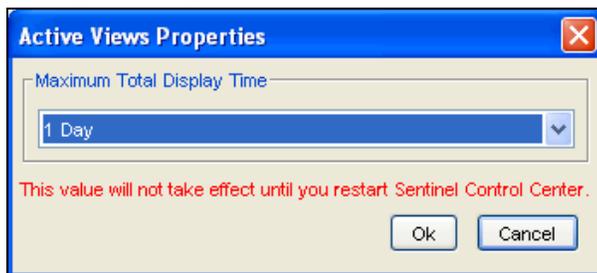
You can change values (column names) to display logical names and populate them throughout the system. You can apply attributes to the event stream that are relevant to your business. For more information, see [Sentinel Data Manager](#) section and the *Sentinel Collector Builder User Guide*.

## Reconfiguring Total Display Time

Active View Properties allows you to configure the cached time in each client. The default cache time value in an Active View is 24 hours.

To configure Maximum Total Display Time:

1. Click the *Active Views* tab.
2. Click *Active Views > Properties*.
3. Make your changes. Click *OK*.



*Figure 2-5: Active View Properties window*

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**NOTE:** The new values will not take effect until you restart the Sentinel Control Center.

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## Viewing Real Time Events

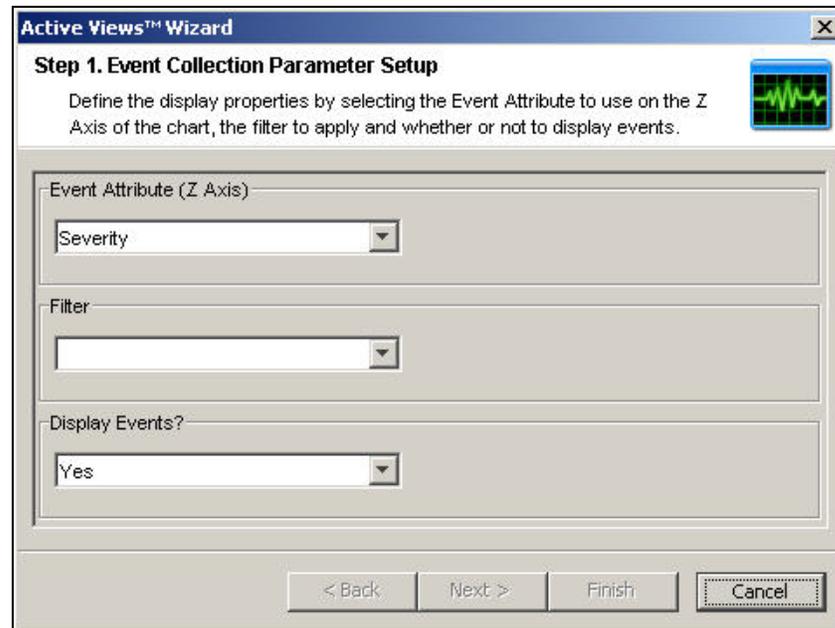
To View Real Time Events:

1. Click the *Active Views* tab.
2. Click *Active Views > Create Active View* or click *Create Active View* icon.



3. In the *Event Visualization Wizard* window, click the down arrows to select your *Event Attribute (Z Axis)*, *Filter* and to *Display Events (Yes or No)*.

**NOTE:** In the *Filter Selection* window you can build your own filter or select one of the already built filters. Selecting the *All* filter allows all events to display in your window. When creating an Active View, if the filter assigned to the Active View is changed or deleted after creation of the Active View, the Active View is unaffected.



**Figure 2-6:** Active View Wizard

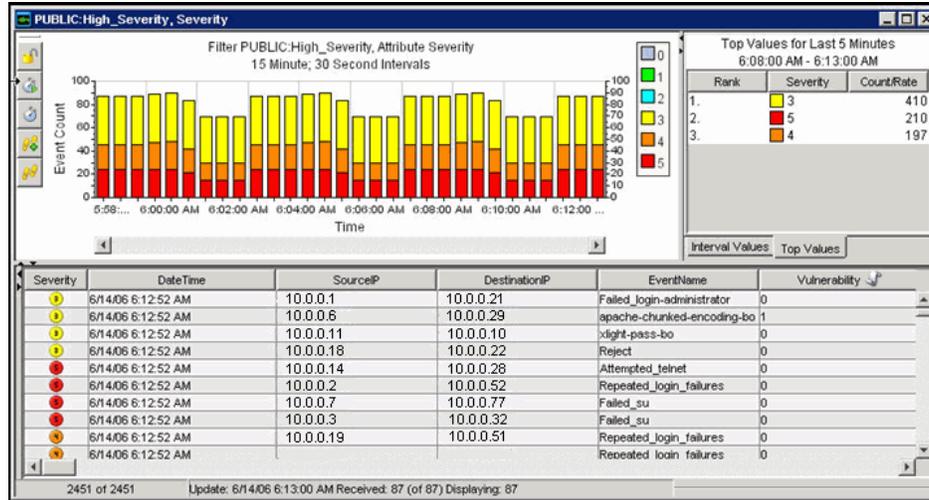
After making your selection, you can click *Next* or *Finish*. If you select *Finish*, the following default values are selected:

- Display Interval and Refresh rate of 30 seconds
  - Total Display Time of 15 minutes
  - Y-axis as Event Count
  - Chart type: Stacked Bar 2D
4. If you click *Next*, click the down arrows to select your:
    - **Display Interval and Refresh rate:**
      - Display Interval is the Time interval to display events.
      - Refresh Rate is the rate at which Active Views should refresh.
    - **Total Display Time:** Amount of time to display the chart
    - **Y-axis:** Either total Event Count or Event Count per Second

Click *Next*.

5. Select your chart type from the drop-down list and click *Finish*.
  - **Chart type:** Stacked Bar 2D, Bar 3D, Line and Ribbon

Your graph looks similar to:



**Figure 2-7:** Active View-Real Time Events

The five buttons to the left of the chart perform the following functions:

	▪ <b>Lock/Unlock the Chart:</b> Used when performing a drill-down, zoom in, zoom out, zoom to selection and saving a chart as an html file.
	▪ <b>Increase Display Interval:</b> Increases the display time interval for incoming events
	▪ <b>Decrease Display Interval:</b> Decreases the display time interval for incoming events
	▪ <b>Increase Display Time:</b> Increase the time interval along the x-axis
	▪ <b>Decrease Display Time:</b> Decreases the time interval along the x-axis

**Table 2-2:** Active View Chart Buttons

When you click the *Lock* button, additional available buttons are:

	▪ <b>Lock/Unlock the Chart:</b> Used when performing a drill-down, zoom in, zoom out, zoom to selection and saving a chart as an html file.
	▪ <b>Zoom In:</b> Zooms in without changing any of the time settings of the chart
	▪ <b>Zoom Out:</b> Zooms out without changing any of the time settings of the chart
	▪ <b>Zoom to Selection:</b> Zooms in on a selection of time intervals of events.
	▪ <b>Snapshot Active View:</b> Save as an html file with chart as images and events in a tabular format.

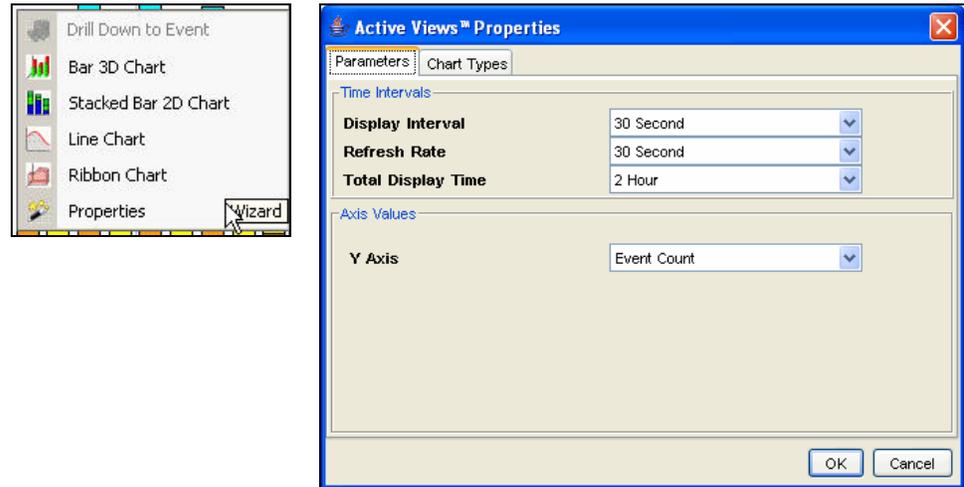
**Table 2-3:** Additional Active View Chart Buttons

## To Reset Parameters and Chart Type of an Active View

When viewing an Active View, you can reset your chart parameters, change your chart type.

To Reset Parameters and Chart Type of an Active View:

1. Within an *Active View* displaying a chart, right-click and select *Properties*.

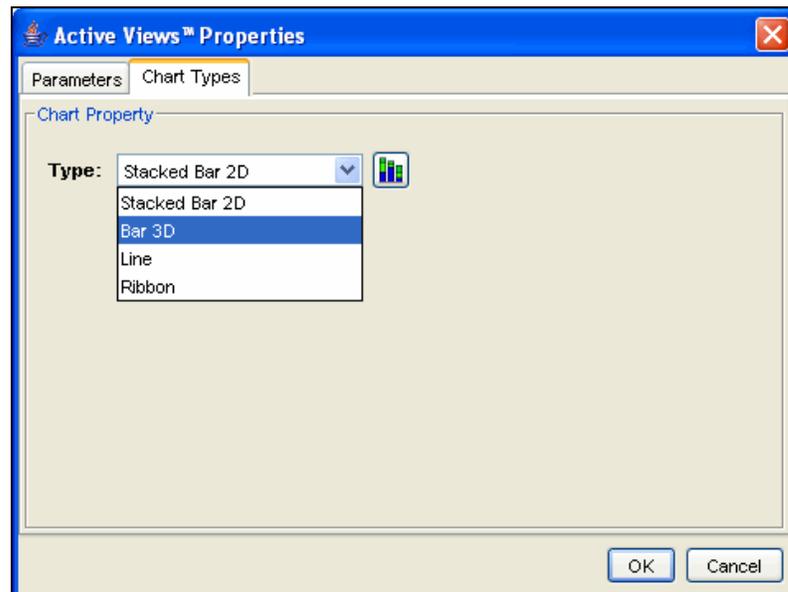


*Figure 2-8: Active Views Properties-Parameters*

Under the *Parameters* tab, you can set:

- **Display Interval:** Time between each interval
- **Refresh Rate:** Number of seconds for event rate to be updated
- **Total Display Time:** Amount of time to display the chart
- **Y-axis:** Either total Event Count or Event Count per Second

Under the *Chart Types* tab, you can set your chart to Stacked Bar2D, Bar 3D, Line or Ribbon.



*Figure 2-9: Active Views Properties-Chart Types*

## Rotating a 3D Bar or Ribbon Chart

To rotate a 3D bar or ribbon chart:

1. Click anywhere on the chart and hold the mouse button.
2. Reposition the chart as desired by moving the mouse and holding the button.

## Showing and Hiding Event Details

To show event details:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, double-click or right-click an event and click *Show Details*. An event details displays in the left panel of the *Real Time Event Table*.

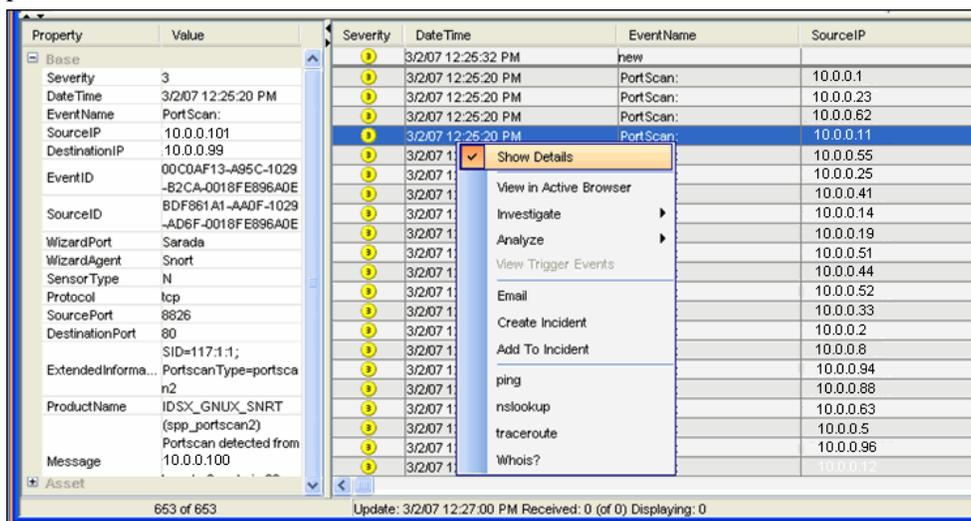


Figure 2-10: Show Details

To hide an event detail:

1. In an *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, with event details displayed in the left panel, right-click an event and click *Show Details*. The *Event Details* window closes.

## Sending Messages about Events and Incidents by e-Mail

Ability to send emails is set in the execution.properties file during installation. This file can be edited after installation. This file is located:

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\config
```

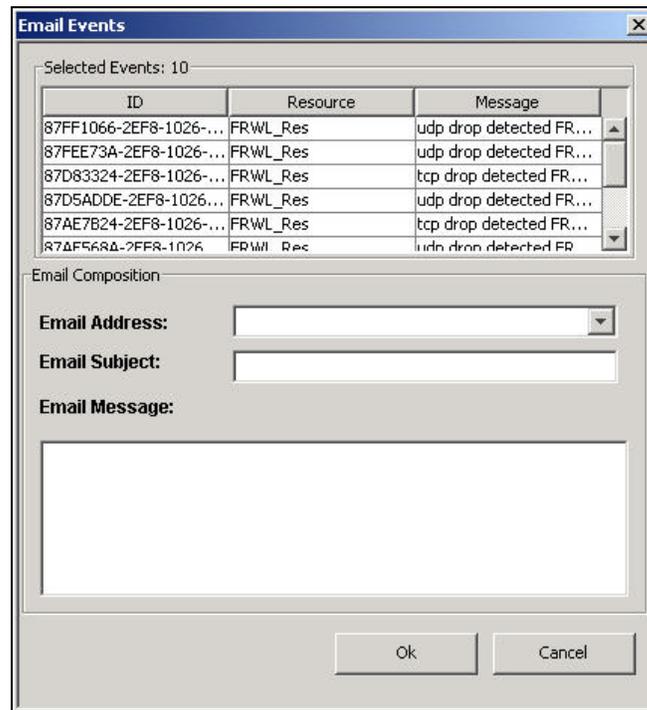
**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/config
```

For more information on configuring email, see the section [Configuring Sentinel email](#) in [Utilities](#) section.

To send an event message by e-mail:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, select an event or a group of events, right-click and select *Email*.



**Figure 2-11:** *Email Events* window

2. Provide the following information:
  - Email Address
  - Email Subject
  - Email Message
3. Click *OK*.

To e-mail an Incident:

1. After you save your incident, click the *Incidents* tab, *Incidents > Incidents View*.
2. Click *All Incidents* option in the *Switch View* drop down list located at the bottom right corner.
3. Double-click an Incident.
4. Click *Email Incident*.



5. Provide the following information:
  - Email Address
  - Email Subject
  - Email Message
6. Click *OK*. The e-mail messages have html attachments that address incident details, events, assets, vulnerabilities, advisor information, attachment information, Incident Notes and incident history.

## Creating Incidents

**NOTE:** To perform this function you must have user permission to create Incident(s).

This is useful in grouping a set of events together as a whole representing something of interest (group of similar events or set of different events that indicate a pattern of interest such an attack).

**NOTE:** If events are not initially displayed in a newly created Incident, it is most likely because of a lag in the time between display in the *Real Time Events* window and insertion into the database. If this occurs, it will take a few minutes for the original events to finally be inserted into the database and display in the incident.

To create an incident:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or a *Snapshot Real Time Event Table*, select an event or a group of events and right-click and select *Create Incident*.

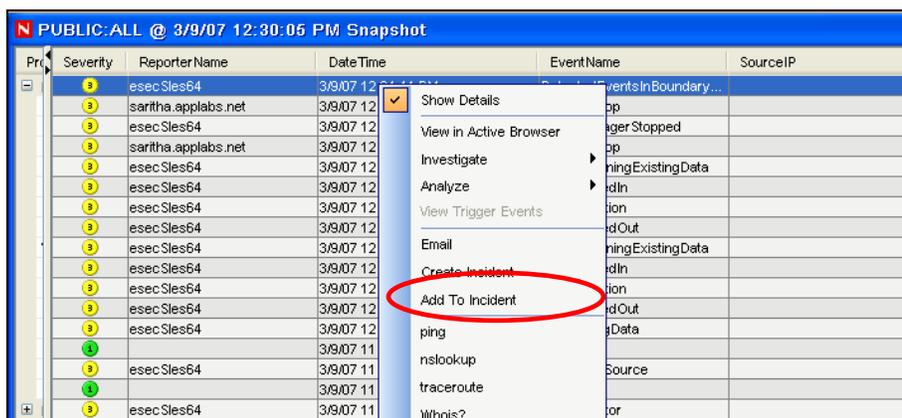


Figure 2-12: Add to Incident

2. In the *New Incident* window, you will find the following tabs:
  - **Events:** Shows which events make up the incident
  - **Assets:** Show affected assets
  - **Vulnerability:** Show related asset vulnerabilities
  - **Advisor:** Asset attack and alert information
  - **iTRAC:** Under this tab, you can assign a WorkFlow (iTRAC)
  - **History:** Incident history
  - **Attachments:** You can attach any document or text file with pertinent information to this incident
  - **Notes:** You can specify any general notes you want to refer regarding this incident.
3. In the *Create Incident* dialog box, specify:
  - Title
  - State
  - Severity
  - Priority

- Category
  - Responsible
  - Description
  - Resolution
4. Click *Create*. The incident is added under the *Incidents* tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

## Viewing Events that Triggered Correlated Events

You must right-click a correlated event in order to view the events that triggered the correlated event. In the event table from which you are selecting the event, look in the summary display panel on the right for an event that has a property of *SensorType* with a Value of *C* (C: correlated event).

To view events that triggered a correlated event:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, or an *Event Query table*, right-click a correlated event and select *View Trigger Events*. A window opens showing the events that triggered the rule and the name of the Correlation Rule.

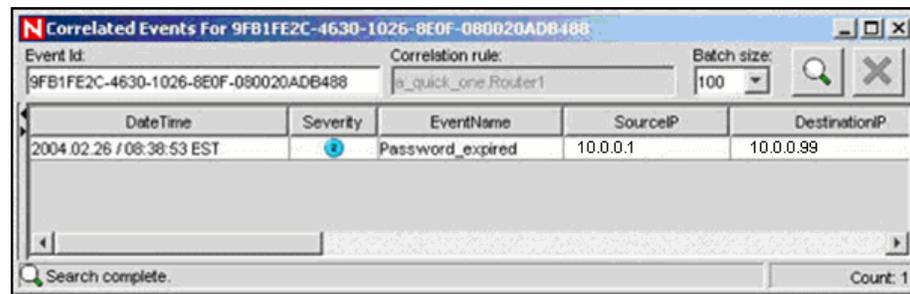


Figure 2-13: Viewing Correlated Events

## Investigating an Event or Events

This function allows you to:

- Perform a Event Query for the last hour on a single event for:
  - Destination IP addresses
  - Source IP addresses
  - Event Name

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**NOTE:** You cannot perform a query on a null (empty) field.

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- Graphically display the source fields (IP, port, event, sensor type, Collector) mapped to the destination fields (IP, port, event, sensor type, Collector name) of the selected events.

Below is an illustration of source IP addresses mapped to destination IP addresses.

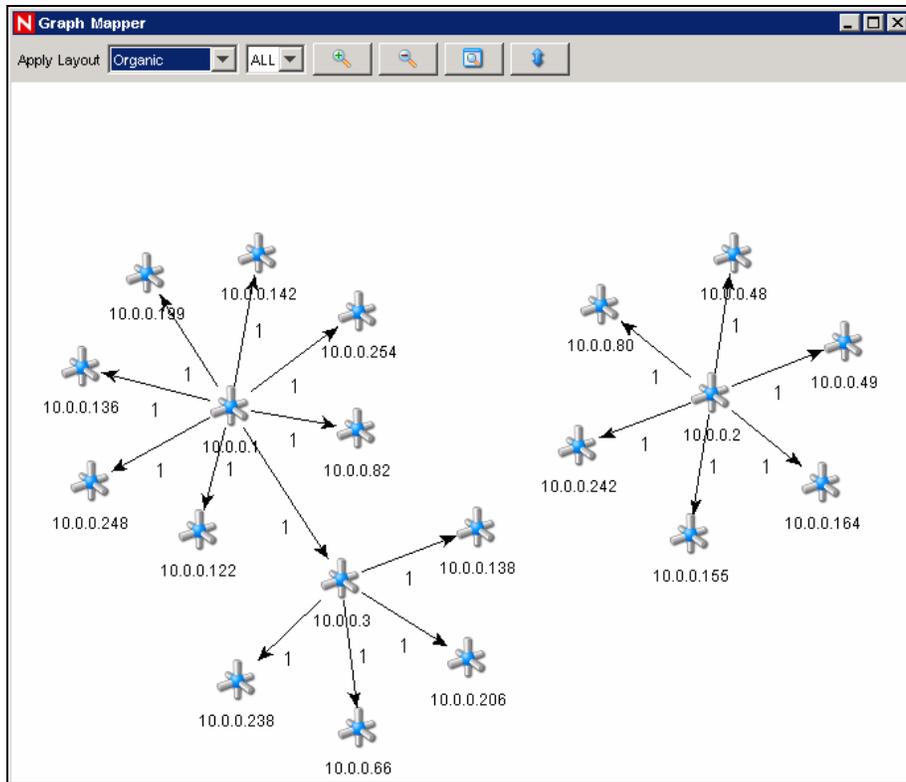


Figure 2-14: Graph Mapper

## Investigate – Graph Mapper

To create a graph map:

1. In *Real Time Event Table* right-click an event or events and select *Investigate>Show Graph*.

Severity	EventTime	SourceIP	DestinationIP	EventName
5	5/22/07 12:47:36 AM	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.136	Test Event
4	5/22/07 12:47:04 AM	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.70	Test Event
3	5/22/07 12:46:38 AM	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.203	Test Event
3	5/22/07 12:42:08 AM	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.227	Test Event
3	5/22/07 12:38:41 AM	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.208	Test Event
4	5/22/07 12:38:26 AM		10.0.0.120	Test Event
4	5/22/07 12:38:12 AM		10.0.0.175	Test Event
5	5/22/07 12:38:10 AM		10.0.0.167	Test Event
3	5/22/07 12:36:33 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event
3	5/22/07 12:49:41 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event
5	5/22/07 12:47:45 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event
4	5/22/07 12:42:50 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event
5	5/22/07 12:41:20 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event
5	5/22/07 12:40:38 AM		10.0.0.227	Test Event

Figure 2-15: Creating a Graph Map

2. You must specify the *From* and *To* IPs and click *Finish*. The *Graph Mapper* window displays.

The following is a graphic depiction of Sensor Name to Event Name of severity 5 in an organic format. You can view a graphic mapping in the following formats:

- Circular
- Hierarchical
- Organic
- Orthogonal

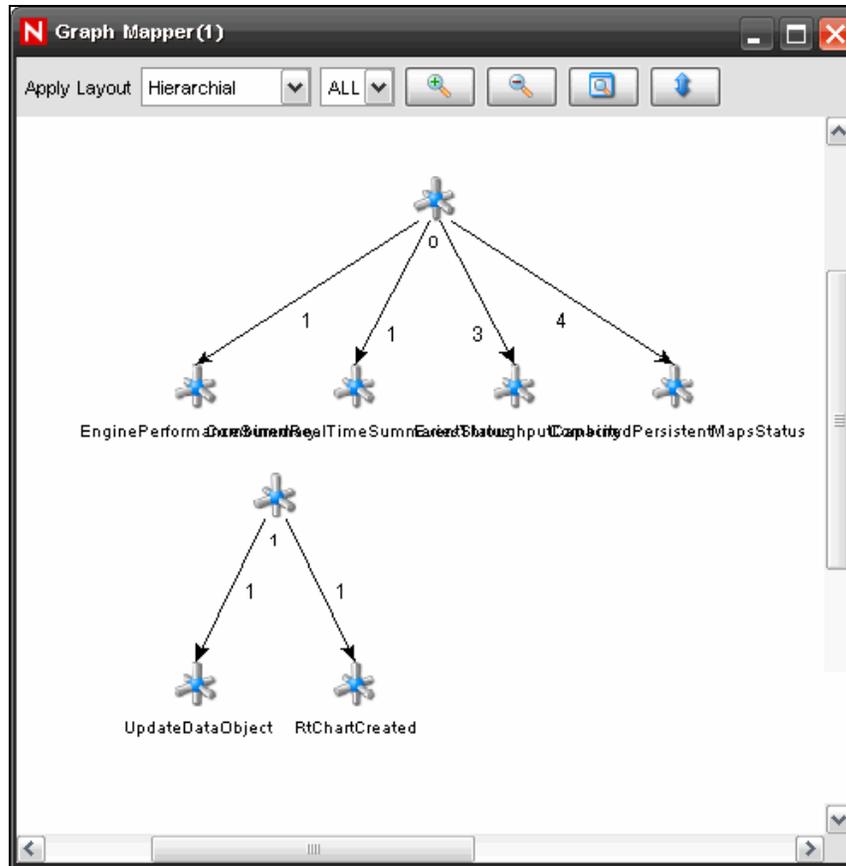


Figure 2-16: Graph Mapper

## Investigate – Event Query

This function allows you to perform Event Query within the last hour.

To perform an Event Query using the Investigate function:

1. In a *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot* window, right-click an event>*Investigate*>  
<select one of three options below>

Option	Function
Show More Events to this target	Destination IP address
Show More Events to this source	Source IP address
What are the target objects of this event?	Event Name

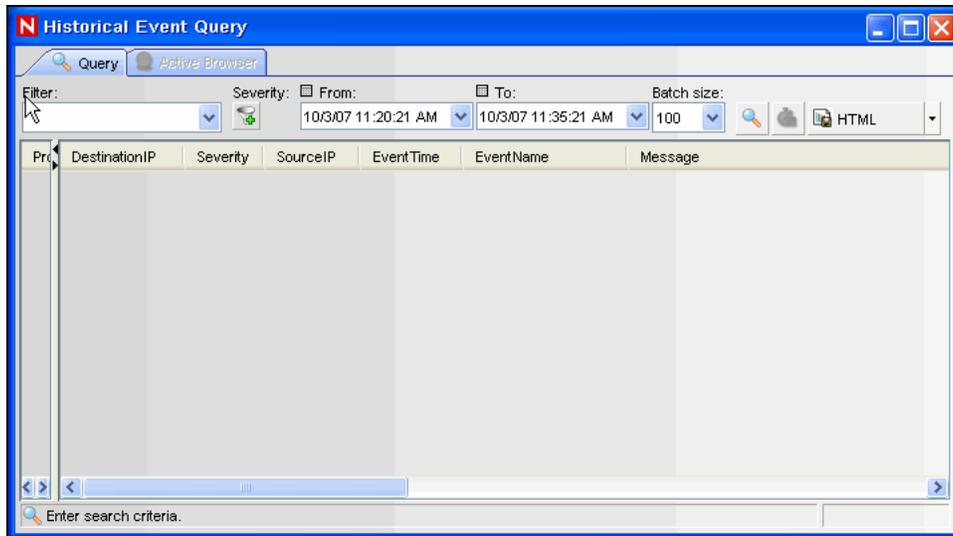
Table 2-4: Options available in Visual Navigator

## Historical Event Query

You can query the database for the past events through *Historical Event Query*. The events can be queried according to the filter and severity criteria in required batch size. You can export the results in HTML or CSV file format.

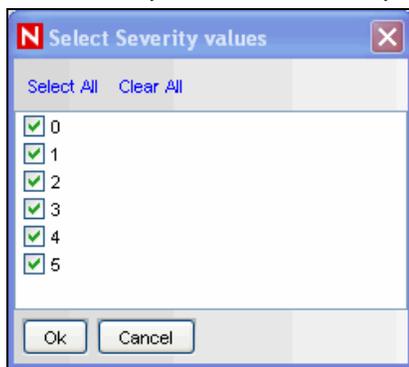
To query events in Historical Event Query window:

1. In the *Active Views* tab, select *Active Views* > *Event Query*. *Historical Event Query* window displays. You can also open *Historical Event Query* window by clicking *Historical Query* Icon on the toolbar. Click *Filter*.



**Figure 2-17:** Historical Event Query window

2. In *Filter Selection* window, select a filter from the list of available filters.
3. Click *Severity Icon*. *Select Severity values* window displays.



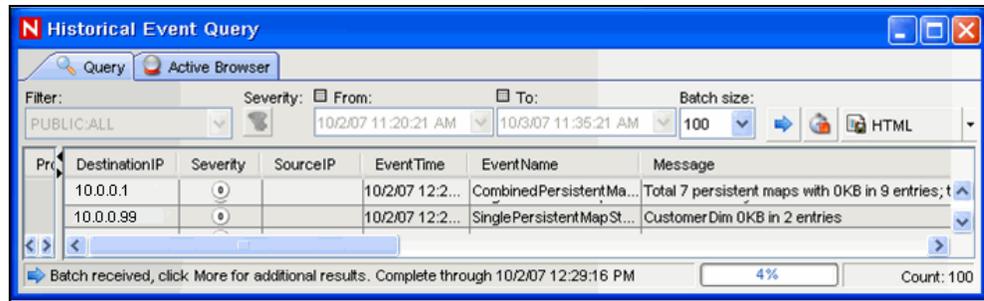
**Figure 2-18:** Select Severity values window

Select one or more values for Severity and click *OK*

4. You must select *From* and *To* Date and Time from *From* and *To* drop-down. The Time you select corresponds your system time.
5. Select a batch size from the *Batch size* drop down. The events queried displays in the batch size you specify.

If you select a batch size of 100, the first 100 events are displayed in the window first. After the query is processed, the *Begin Searching* icon changes to *More results* icon. You can see next 100 events along with the previous events by clicking *More results* icon.

6. Click *Begin Searching* Icon. The query is processed. You can stop/cancel the search by clicking *Cancel search* icon.



**Figure 2-19:** Historical Query window-Processed Query

**TIP:**

Select *HTML* or *CSV* from the drop-down list to export query results.

## Active Browser

You can view the selected events in the *Active Views* in *Active Browser*. You can perform all the right-click activities that are available in *Active Views* in *Active Browser* too. When you open the *Active Browser* using *Analysis > Offline Query* and click *Browse* against a specific offline query, the events table is displayed only when the number of events are less than or equal to 1000.

The events are grouped according to the metatags. In these metatags various sub-categories are defined. The numbers in the parentheses against these sub-categories displays the total number of event counts corresponding to the value of the metatag.

To view events in Active Browser:

1. In the *Active Views* tab, highlight the event/s you want to view in *Active Browser*.
2. Right-click event/s and select *View in Active Browser*. The selected event/s displays in the *Active Browser* window.

Or

1. In the *Active Views* tab, select *Active Views > Event Query. Historical Event Query* window displays.
2. In the *Historical EventQuery* window, run a Query and click *Active Browser* tab. The selected Query displays in the *Active Browser* window.

**NOTE:** The *Active Browser* tab will be enabled only if the Query results in at least one event displays.

To view events in Active Browser in Analysis tab:

1. In the *Analysis* tab, highlight the Query you want to view in *Active Browser*.
2. Click *Browse*. The selected Query result displays in the *Active Browser* window.

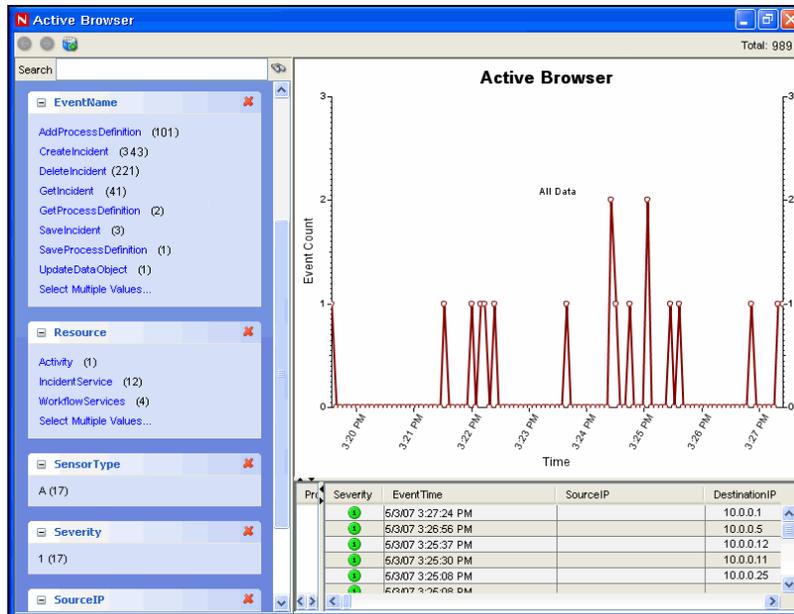


Figure 2-20: Active Browser window

To search in Active Browser:

1. Specify the value or text you want to search for in the *Search* field
2. Press *Enter* or click the *Search* icon against the search field to search.

**NOTE:** You can move between the various searches by using the Forward and Backward button above the search field.

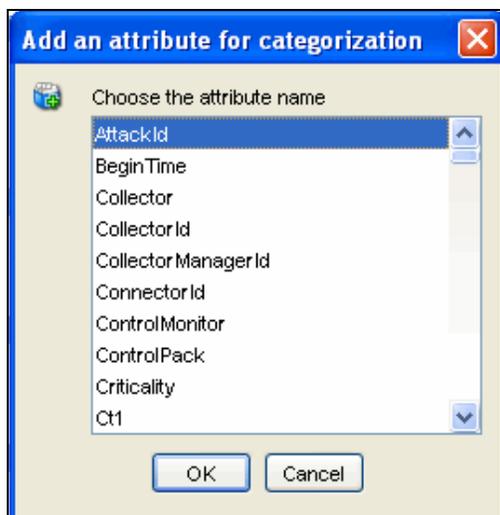
To add attributes in Active Browser:

1. Click *Add an attribute for categorization icon* as shown below:



Figure 2-21: Add an attribute categorization icon

2. Select an attribute in the *Add an attribute for categorization* window that displays.



**Figure 2-22:** Add an attribute for categorization window  
Click *OK*.

## Viewing Advisor Data

Advisor provides a cross-reference between real-time IDS attack signatures and Advisor's knowledge base of vulnerabilities. Advisor feed has an alert and attack feed. The alert feed contains information about vulnerabilities and viruses. The attack feed lists the exploits associated with vulnerabilities.

The supported Intrusion Detection Systems are listed in “**Advisor Tab**” section.

To View Advisor Data:

1. In a Real Time Event Table of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, right-click an event or a series of selected events > *Analyze* > *Advisor Data*. If the `DeviceAttackName` field is properly populated, a report similar to the one below displays. This example is for a WEB-MISC amazon 1-click cookie theft.

**Advisor Summary**

Attack	Attack ID	Alert IDs
WEB-MISC amazon 1-click cookie theft	<a href="#">9991272</a>	1087, 1194, 8835, 9010
WEB-MISC amazon 1-click cookie theft	<a href="#">9992801</a>	1194, 8835, 9010

**Advisor Report**

**Microsoft Excel XLM Arbitrary Macro Execution (id 9991272) [top](#)**

**3 4** Urgency Severity: Microsoft Excel contains a flaw that may allow a malicious user to run warning the user. The issue is triggered when a malicious user creates Excel macro commands, and embeds commands in a spreadsheet that launch the macro without asking the user for permission. It may be possible for a user to persuade the user to launch the file containing embedded macros, resulting in a loss of integrity and/or availability of data.

**Scenario:**

**Impact:**  
Loss of Integrity

**Safeguards:**

**Figure 2-23:** Viewing Advisor Data

# Viewing Asset Data

This function allows you to view and save your view as an HTML file of your Asset Report. You must run your asset management Collector to view this data. The available data for viewing are:

Hardware	
▪ MAC Address	▪ Value
▪ Name	▪ Criticality
▪ Type	▪ Sensitivity
▪ Vendor	▪ Environment
▪ Product	▪ Location
▪ Version	
Network	
▪ IP Address	▪ Hostname
Software	
▪ Name	▪ Product
▪ Type	▪ Version
▪ Vendor	
Contacts	
▪ Order	▪ Email
▪ Name	▪ Phone Number
▪ Role	
Location	
▪ Room	▪ Address
▪ Rack	

Table 2-5: Available Data

To view Asset Data:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot* window, right-click an event or events > *Analyze* > *Asset Data*. Window similar to the one below displays.

Asset Report	
<b>Hardware</b>	
MAC Address	04:23:A3:44:85:87
Name	Value UNKNOWN
Type	DESKTOP Criticality UNKNOWN
Vendor	UNKNOWN Sensitivity UNKNOWN
Product	Environment UNKNOWN
Version	Location UNKNOWN
<b>Network</b>	
IP	192.168.0.10
Hostname	devbox10
<b>Software</b>	
Name	Type
Vendor	Product
Version	Version
<b>Contacts</b>	
Order	Name
Role	Email
Phone Number	
OwnerFirstName10	OwnerLastName10
ASSET_OWNER	OwnerEmail10
OwnerPhoneNumber10	
MaintainerFirstName10	MaintainerLastName10
ASSET_MAINTAINER	MaintainerEmail10
MaintainerPhoneNumber10	
BusinessUnit10	BUSINESS_UNIT
LineOfBusiness10	LINE_OF_BUSINESS
Division10	DIVISION
Department10	DEPARTMENT
<b>Location</b>	
Room	709
Rack	10
Address	HQ
	1921 Gallows Rd
	Suite 700
	Vienna VA 22182 USA
<b>Hardware</b>	
MAC Address	04:23:A3:44:85:78
Name	Value AssetValue
Type	DESKTOP Criticality Criticality
Vendor	Vendor Sensitivity Sensitivity
Product	ProductName Environment EnvironmentIdentity
Version	ProductVersion Location NetworkIdentity
<b>Network</b>	
IP	192.168.0.1
Hostname	

Figure 2-24: Viewing Asset Data



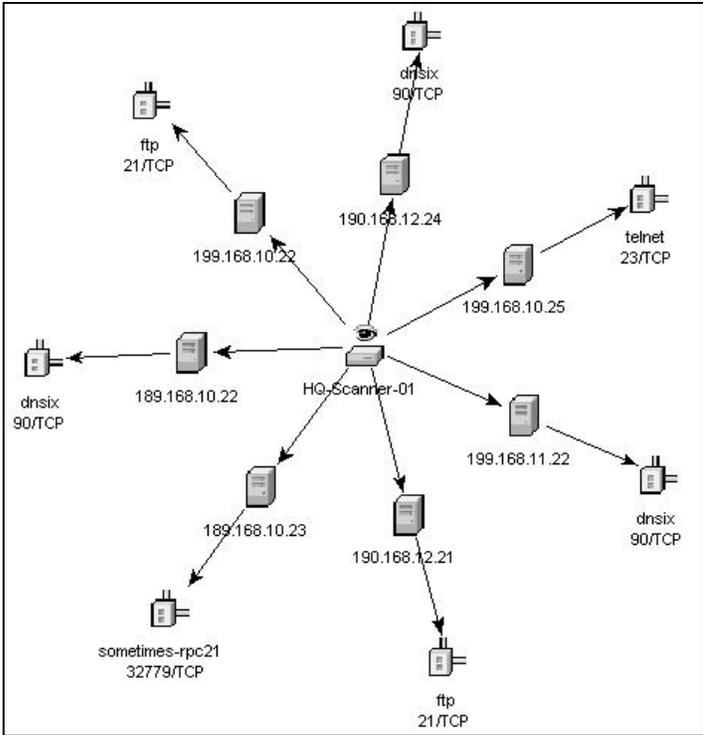


Figure 2-26: Organic View

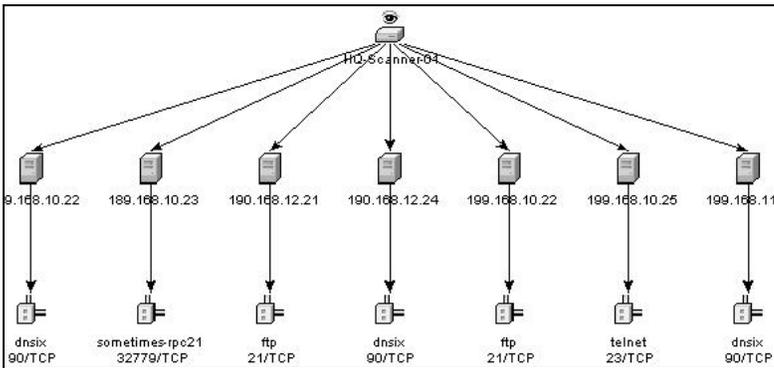
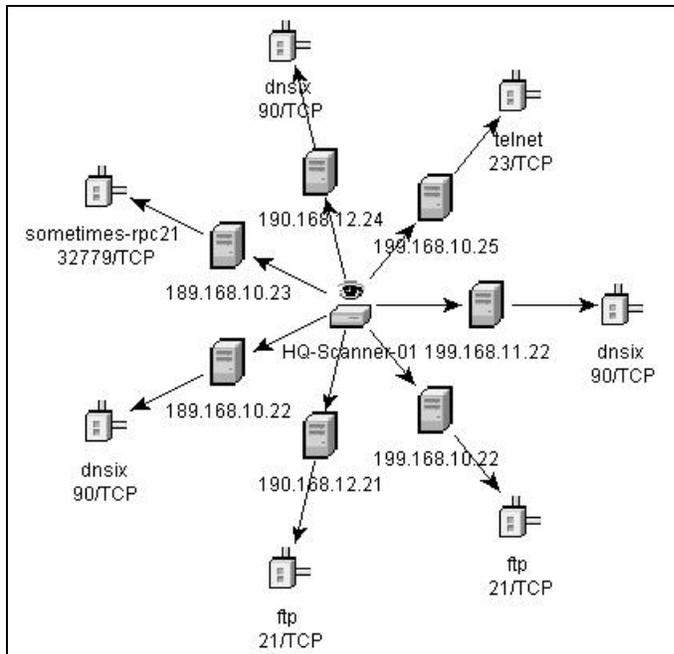
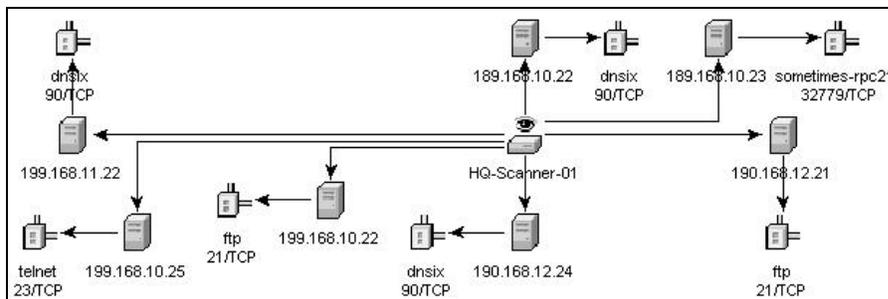


Figure 2-27: Hierarchical View



**Figure 2-28:** Circular View



**Figure 2-29:** Orthogonal View

In the graphical display there are four panels. They are:

- Graph panel
- Tree panel
- Control panel
- Details/events panel

The graph panel display associates vulnerabilities to a port/protocol combination of a resource (IP address). For example, if a resource has five unique port/protocol combinations that are vulnerable, there are five nodes attached to that resource. The resources are grouped together under the scanner that scanned the resources and reported the vulnerabilities. If two different scanners are used (ISS and Nessus), there are two independent scanner nodes that will have vulnerabilities associated with them.

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**NOTE:** Event mapping takes place only between the selected events and the vulnerability data returned.

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The tree panel organizes data in same hierarchy as the graph. The tree panel also allows users to hide/show nodes at any level in the hierarchy.

The control panel exposes all the functionality available in the display. This includes:

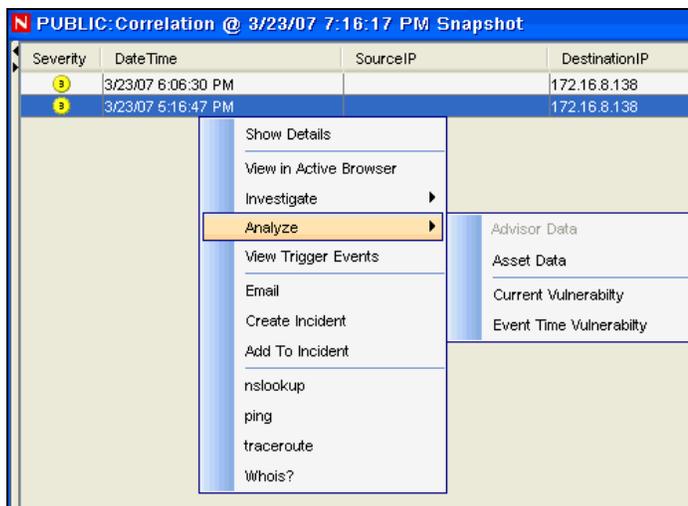
- Four different algorithms to display

- Ability to show all or selected nodes which have events mapped to them
- Zooming in and out of selected areas of the graph

There are two tabs in the *Details/Events* panel. When in the *Details* tab, clicking on a node results in displaying node details. When in the *Events* tab, clicking on an event associated with a node the node displays in tabular form as in a *Real Time* or *Event Query* window.

To run a Vulnerability Visualization:

1. In an *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, right-click an event or a series of selected events and click:
  - **Analysis:**
    - **Current Vulnerability:** Queries the database for vulnerabilities that are active (effective) at the current date and time.
    - **Event Time Vulnerability:** Queries the database for vulnerabilities that were active (effective) at the date and time of the selected event.



*Figure 2-30: Vulnerability Visualization*

2. At the bottom the vulnerability results window, click either:
  - Event to Vulnerability Graph
  - Vulnerability Report
3. (For Event to Vulnerability Graph) Within the display, you can:
  - move nodes and their labels
  - use one of four different layout algorithms to display the graph
  - show all nodes or only those nodes that have events mapped to them
  - in-line tree filtering in the event that a large number of resources are returned as vulnerable
  - zoom in and out of selected areas

## Ticketing System Integration

Novell provides optional integration modules for HP Service Desk or BMC Remedy that allows you to send events from any display screen to one of these external ticketing systems.

You can also send incidents and their associated information (asset data, vulnerability data, or attached files) to Service Desk or Remedy. Updates in Service Desk and Remedy

will then be sent back to the Sentinel Control Center so Sentinel users know when the issue's status changes.

For more information about sending incidents and events to an external ticketing system, see the *3rd Party Integration Guide*.

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**NOTE:** The permission to create Service Desk or Remedy incidents is controlled by the administrator on a user-by-user basis.

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## Using Custom Menu Options with Events

To use a custom menu option with an event:

1. In an existing *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or *Snapshot*, right-click an event and select a menu option. The default custom menu options are as follows:
  - ping
  - nslookup
  - tracert
  - Whois?

You can further assign user permission to View Vulnerability and to perform HP Actions. You can add options using the *Menu Configuration* window that's available in the *Admin* tab.

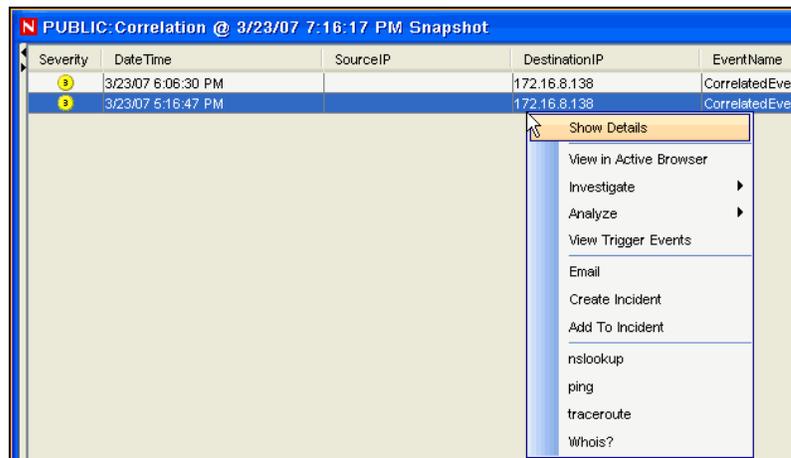


Figure 2-31: Customizing Menu Options

## Managing Columns in a Snapshot or Visual Navigator Window

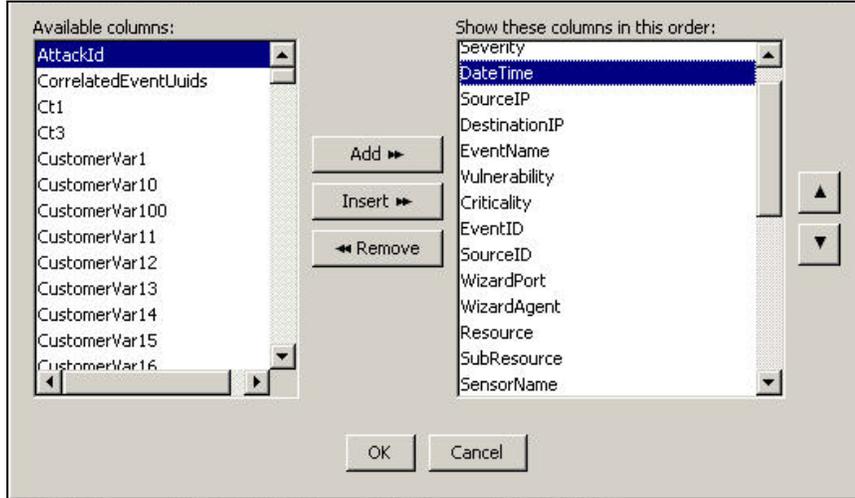
To select and arrange columns in a Snapshot or Visual Navigator:

1. With a *Snapshot* or *Visual Navigator* window open, click *Active View > Event Real Time > Manage Columns* or click the *Manage Columns* of *Real Time Event Table*.



2. Use the *Add* and *Remove* buttons to move column titles between the *Available Columns* list and the *Show these columns in this order* list. The *Insert* button can

be used to insert an available column item into a specific location. For example, in the illustration below clicking *Insert* will place *AttackId* above *DateTime*.



**Figure 2-32: Managing Columns**

Use the Up and Down arrow buttons to arrange the order of the columns as you want them to display in the *Real Time Event Table*. The top to bottom order of column titles in the *Manage Column* dialog box determines the left to right order of the columns in the *Real Time Event Table*.

3. In the Manage Column dialog box, click *OK*.
4. If you want your columns to display the next time you open the Sentinel Control Center, click *File > Save Preferences* or click *Save User Preference* icon



## Taking a Snapshot of a Visual Navigator Window

To perform this function you must have user permission Snapshot.

This is useful to study events of interest because the *Visual Navigator* refreshes automatically and the alert or alerts of interest will scroll off the screen. Also, within a snapshot, you can sort by column.

To take a snapshot of a Real Time Event Table:

1. With a *Visual Navigator* window open, click *Active View > Event Real Time > Snapshot* or click *Snapshot Event Real Time Table* icon



A *Snapshot* window opens and is added to the Snap Shots folder list under *Active Views* in the *Navigator*. The graphical display will not be part of the snapshot.

## Sorting Columns in a Snapshot

To sort columns in a Snapshot:

1. Click any column header once to sort by ascending value and twice to sort by descending value.

## Closing a Snapshot or Visual Navigator

To close a Snapshot or a Real Time Event Table:

1. With a *Snapshot* or *Visual Navigator* open, close by using the *Close* button (upper right corner in Windows or upper right corner in Windows/SUSE Linux/Red Hat Linux or upper left corner in Solaris).

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**NOTE:** The view or snapshot will not redisplay when you close and reopen the Sentinel Control Center.

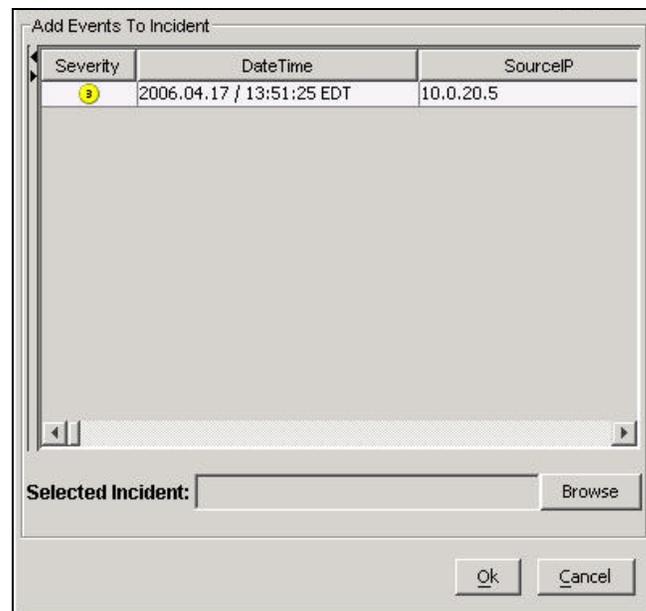
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## Adding Events to an Incident

To perform this function you must have user permissions to Modify Incident(s) and Add to existing Incident(s).

To add events to an incident:

1. In a *Real Time Event Table* or a *Snapshot*, select an event or a group of events and right-click. Click *Add To Incident*.
2. In the *Add Events To Incident* dialog box, click *Browse* to list the available incidents.



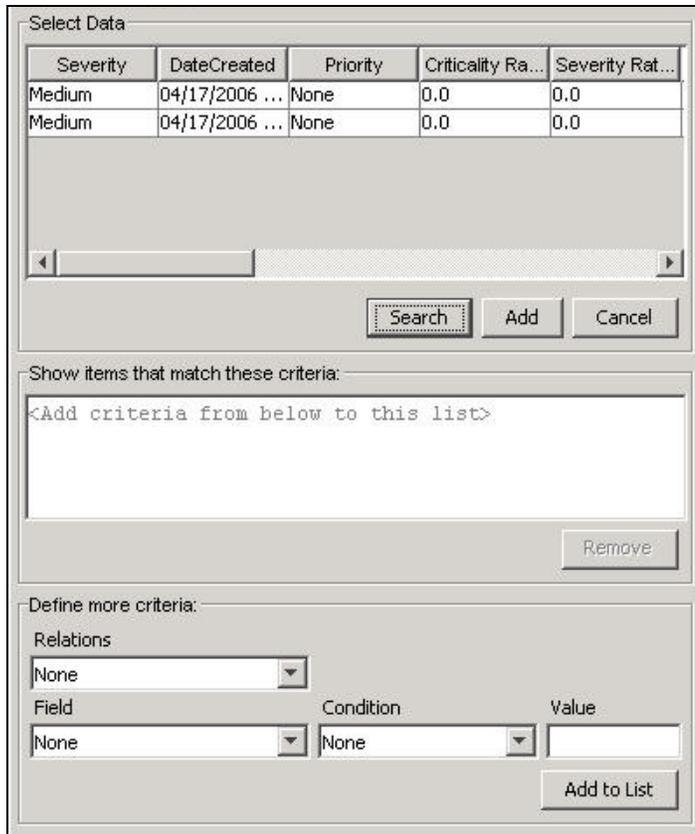
**Figure 2-33:** Adding Events to Incident

3. *Select Incident* window displays. Click *Search* to view a list of incidents. List of incidents of selected criteria displays.

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**NOTE:** You can define your criteria to better search for a particular incident or incidents in *Select Incident* window.

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**Figure 2-34:** Select Incident window

4. Highlight an incident and click *Add*.
5. Click *OK*. The event or events selected are added to the incident in the *Incidents Navigator*.

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**NOTE:** If events are not initially displayed in a newly created Incident, it is most likely because of a lag in the time between display in the *Real Time Events* window and insertion into the database. If this occurs, it will take a few minutes for the original events to finally be inserted into the database and display in the incident.

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# 3 Correlation Tab

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## Understanding Correlation

Sometimes, an event viewed in the system might not necessarily draw your attention. But, when you correlate a set of similar or comparable events in a given period, it might lead you to an alarming event. Sentinel helps you correlate such events with the rules you create and deploy in the Correlation engine and take appropriate action to mitigate any alarming situation.

Correlation adds intelligence to security event management by automating analysis of the incoming event stream to find patterns of interest. Correlation allows you to define rules that identify critical threats and complex attack patterns so that you can prioritize events and initiate effective incident management and response. Starting with Sentinel 6.0, the correlation engine is built with a pluggable framework, which allows the addition of new correlation engines in the future.

Correlation rules define a pattern of events that should trigger, or fire, a rule. Using either the correlation rule wizard or the simple RuleLG language, you can create rules that range from simple to extremely complex, for example:

- High severity event from a finance server
- High severity event from any server brought online in the past 10 days
- Five failed logins in 2 minutes
- Five failed logins in 2 minutes to the same server from the same username
- Intrusion detection event targeting a server, followed by an attempted login to root originating from that same server within 60 seconds

Two or more of these rules can be combined into one composite rule. The rule definition determines the conditions under which the composite rule fires:

- All subrules must fire
- A specified number of subrules must fire
- The subrules must fire in a particular sequence

After the rule is defined, it should be deployed to an active Correlation Engine, and one or more actions can be associated with it. After the rule is deployed, the Correlation Engine processes events from the real-time event stream to determine whether they should trigger any of the active rules to fire.

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**NOTE:** Events that are sent directly to the database or dropped by a Global Filter is not processed by the Correlation Engine.

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When a rule fires, a correlated event is sent to the Sentinel Control Center, where it can be viewed in the *Active Views* window.

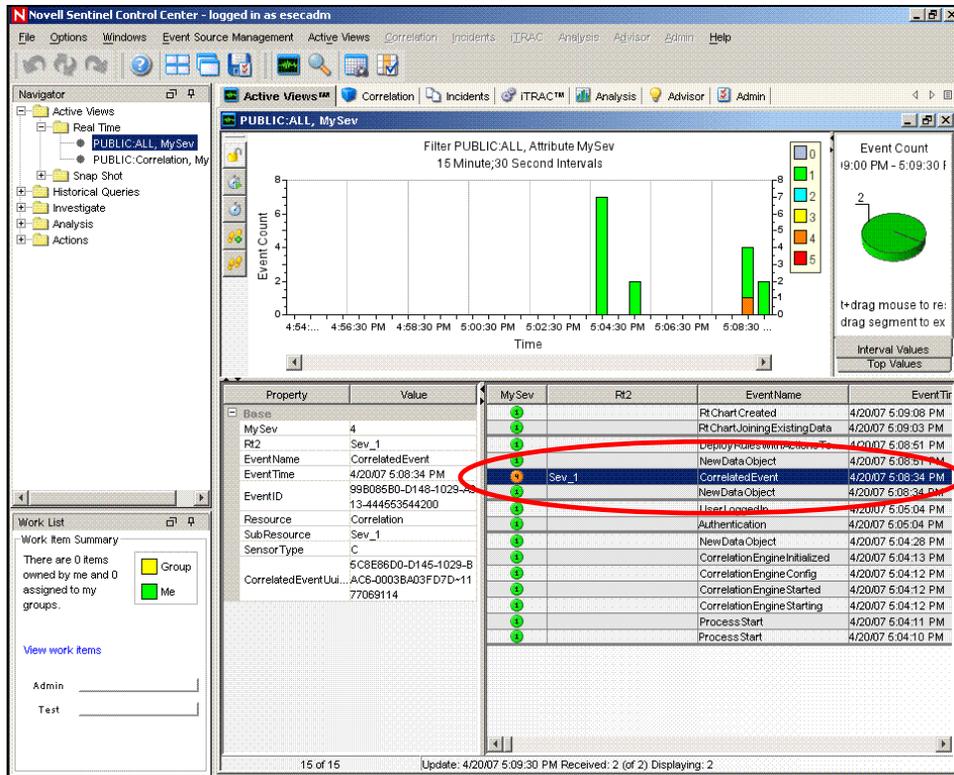


Figure 3-1: Active View window

The correlated event can also trigger actions, such as sending an email with the correlated event's details or creating an incident associated with an iTRAC workflow.

## Technical Implementation

All correlation is done in-memory on the machine (or machines) that host the correlation engine. This model allows fast, distributed processing that does not contend with database operations such as inserting events into the database.

For environments with large numbers of correlation rules or extremely high event rates, it might be advantageous to install more than one correlation engine and redeploy some rules to the new correlation engine. The ability to deploy multiple correlation engines provides the ability to scale as the Sentinel system incorporates additional data sources or as event rates increase.

Sentinel's correlation is near real-time and depends on the timestamp for the individual events. To synchronize time, you can use an NTP (Network Time Protocol) server to synchronize the time on all devices on your network, or you can rely on the time on the Collector Manager servers and synchronize only those few machines.

Correlation relies on the data that is collected, parsed, and normalized by the Collectors, so a working understanding of the data is necessary to write rules. Many Novell correlation rules rely on an event taxonomy that ensures that a "failed login" and an "unsuccessful logon" from two devices are classified the same.

In the *Correlation* tab, you can:

- Create/Modify Correlation rules and rule folders
- Deploy Correlation rules on Correlation Engine
- Create and associate an action to a role

- Configure Dynamic lists

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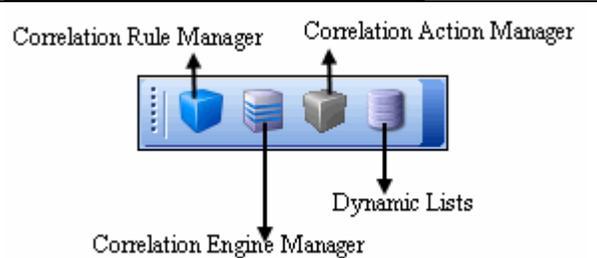
**NOTE:** Access to the correlation functions can be enabled by the administrator on a user-by-user basis.

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## Introduction to the User Interface

In Correlation, you can see the *Correlation Rule Manager*, *Correlation Engine Manager*, *Correlation Action Manager* and *Dynamic Lists*.

You can navigate to these functions from:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Correlation menu in the Menu Bar</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Navigation Tree in the Navigation Pane</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Toolbar Buttons</li> </ul>	

*Table 3-1: Correlation-User Interface*

## Correlation Rules

Correlation Rules are created, modified, renamed, deployed/undeployed in the *Correlation Rule Manager*. Correlation Rules are organized into Rule Folders, which can also be managed in the *Correlation Rule Manager*.

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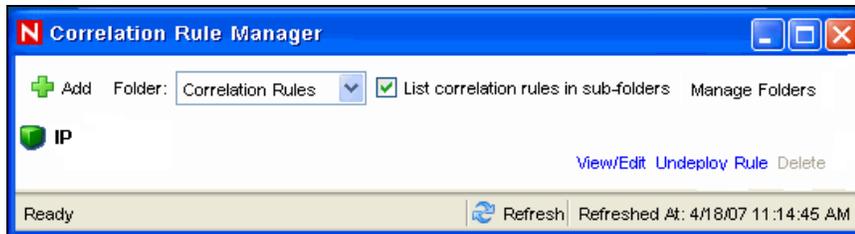
**NOTE:** There is no limit to the number of users that can access Correlation Rules. When more than one user is editing the same rule, the last person to save overwrites all previous saves.

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## Opening the Correlation Rule Manager

To open the Correlation Rules Manager:

1. Click *Correlation* tab.
2. In the navigator, click *Correlation Rules Manager*. Alternatively, click *Correlation Rules Manager* button in the Tool Bar. The *Correlation Rule Manager* window displays.



*Figure 3-2: Correlation Rule Manager window*

## Creating a Rule Folder

To create a Rule Folder:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Manage Folder*.
2. Highlight and right-click a folder and select *Add Folder*.
3. Specify Rule Folder name.

## Renaming a Rule Folder

To rename a Rule Folder:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Manage Folder*.
2. Select a folder and click *Rename*. Change the name of the folder.

To delete a Rule Folder:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Manage Folder*.
2. Select a folder and click *Delete*. Click *Yes* when the system asks for confirmation.

## Creating a Correlation Rule

To create a Correlation Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the Folder drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen.
3. The *Rule Wizard* displays. Select one of the following rule types and follow the steps for that particular rule type:
  - Simple
  - Composite
  - Aggregate
  - Sequence
  - Custom/Freeform
4. Define the update criteria for the rule. If you select *Continue to perform actions every time this rule fires*, the rule fires every time the criteria is met. If you select *Do not perform actions every time this rule fires for the next (t) time* the events fires only once as per user-defined time period. All the other events that match the correlation rule within the specified time are grouped together with this correlated event. This user-defined time period can be a certain number of seconds, minutes, or hours.
5. Click *Next*.
6. Provide the rule name. The syntax of the rule is checked at the time it is created.

7. Under *Namespace*, select a correlation rule folder in which to store the rule.
8. Type the description of the rule.
9. Click *Next*. The rule is created and displays in the *Correlation Rules Manager* window.
10. Select *Yes* if you want to create another rule or *No* if you do not want to create another rule. Click *Next*.

The rule types and the steps to create them are described below.

## Correlation Rule Types

Correlation rules can be defined in the *Correlation Rule* wizard by walking through the wizard or by choosing the Custom/Freeform option to write the rule in the proprietary RuleLG language. All rule definitions are stored in the database in RuleLG.

Correlation rules can be defined based on any populated event field.

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**NOTE:** When creating a Rule, you can add a dynamic list to it. For more information, see [“Associating Dynamic List with Correlation Rule”](#).

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### Simple Rule

A simple rule is defined by specifying which events can trigger the rule to fire (For example, firewall events, firewall events of severity 3 or higher). The filter criteria can be intersected (using the “all” option in the GUI or the “AND” operator in RuleLG) or the filter criteria can be unioned (using the “any” option in the GUI or the “OR” operator in RuleLG).

For example, a rule might be defined so that it fires anytime an event takes place on a server that is on the critical list. Another rule might be defined to fire anytime an event of severity 4 or greater takes place on a server that is on the critical list.

A simple rule requires only one event in order to fire.

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**NOTE:** For users familiar with the correlation rule language (RuleLG), the defining operator for a simple rule is the “filter” operator. For more information about RuleLG, see the [Sentinel Correlation Engine RuleLG Language](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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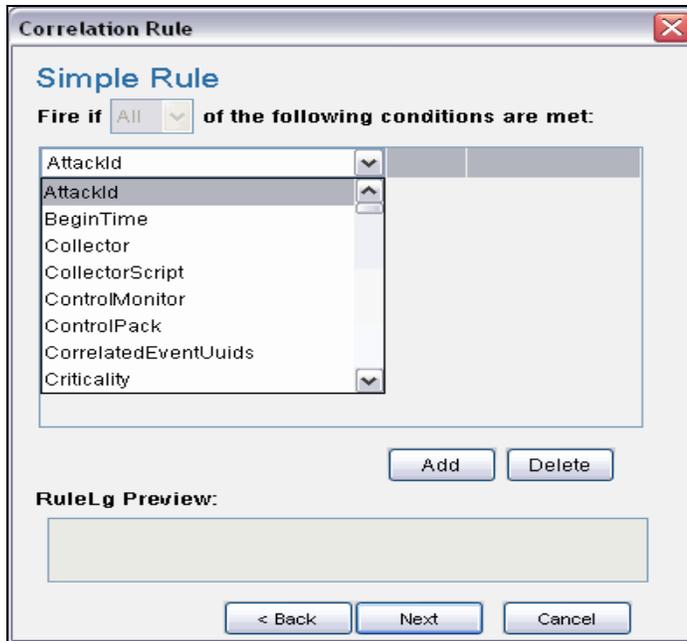
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**NOTE:** In Sentinel 6, filter criteria must be defined in the correlation rule wizard. You cannot use existing public filters.

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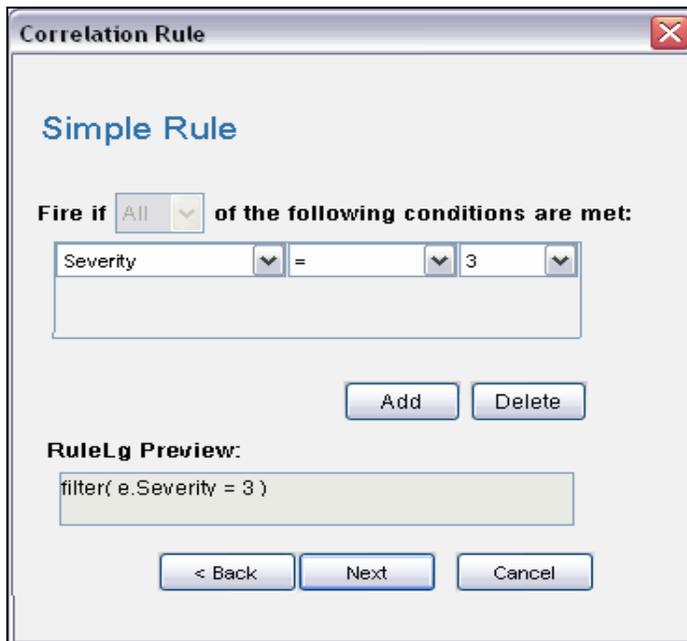
To create a simple rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Simple Rule*.



**Figure 3-3:** Correlation Rule-Simple Rule window

3. In the *Simple Rule* window, define a condition for this rule. Select the Property and Operator values from the drop-down lists and specify data in value field.



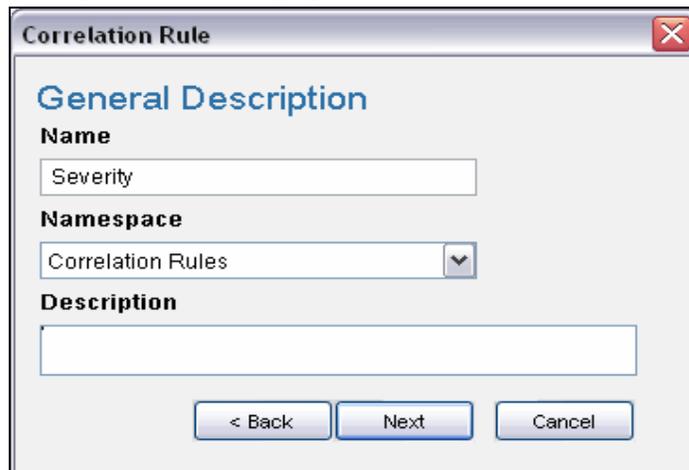
**Figure 3-4:** Correlation Rule-Simple Rule window

4. Click *Add* to add additional definitions for this rule.
5. You can preview the rule in the *RuleLG preview* window. For example, `filter( e.sev=3 )`. Click *Next*. The *Update Criteria* window displays.



**Figure 3-5:** Correlation Rule-Update Criteria window

6. Enable the update criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*. The *General Description* window displays.



**Figure 3-6:** Correlation Rule-General Description window

7. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
8. Provide rule description and click *Next*.
9. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

## Aggregate Rule

An aggregate rule is defined by specifying a subrule and the number of times the subrule must fire within a specific time window in order to trigger the aggregate rule. For example, an aggregate rule might require that a subrule fire 10 times within 5 minutes for the aggregate rule to fire.

Aggregate rules have an optional group by field, which can be any populated field from the events. For example, an aggregate rule might require that a subrule fire 10 times within 5 minutes where each of the 10 events has the same destination server.

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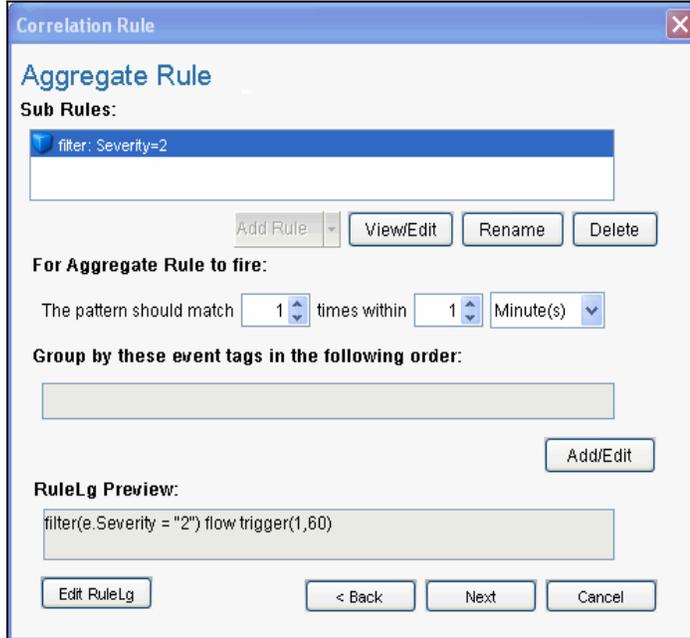
**NOTE:** For users familiar with the correlation rule language (RuleLG), the defining operator for an aggregate rule is the “trigger” operator. The trigger clause might also use the “discriminator” operator to define the group by field. For more information about RuleLG, see the [Sentinel Correlation Engine RuleLG Language](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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To create an aggregate rule:

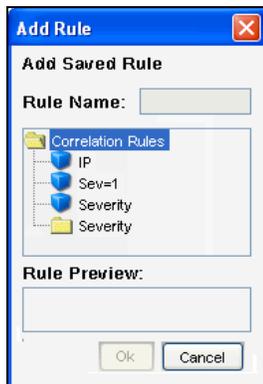
1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the drop-down list to which this rule is added.

2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Aggregate Rule*.



**Figure 3-7:** *Correlation Rule-Aggregate Rule window*

3. In *Aggregate Rule* window, you can select a sub-rule to create an aggregate rule. To select a sub-rule, click *Add Rule* button. *Add Rule* window displays.



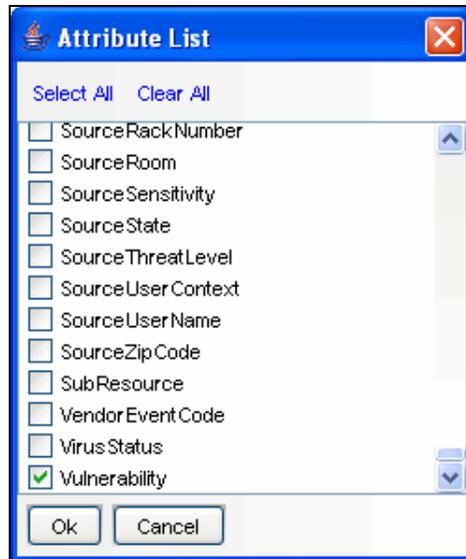
**Figure 3-8:** *Add Rule window*

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**NOTE:** You can select only one sub-rule when creating an aggregate rule.

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4. Select a rule and click *OK*.
5. Set parameters for the rule to fire.
6. To group event tags according to the attributes, Click *Add/Edit*. The *Attribute List* window displays.



**Figure 3-9:** Attribute List window

7. Check the attribute as per your requirement. You can preview the rule in the *RuleLG preview* window. Click *Next*. The *Update Criteria* window displays.
8. Update the criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*. The *General Description* window displays.
9. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
10. Provide rule description and click *Next*.
11. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

### Composite Rule

A composite rule is comprised of 2 or more subrules. A composite rule can be defined so that all or a specified number of the subrules must fire within the defined timeframe. Composite rules have an optional group by field, which can be any populated field from the events.

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**NOTE:** When a subrule is used to create a composite rule, a copy of the subrule is added to the composite rule's definition. Because a copy is added, changes to the original subrule do not affect the composite rule.

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To create a composite rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Composite Rule*.



**Figure 3-10:** Correlation Rule-Composite Rule window

3. In *Composite Rule* window, you can select sub-rules to create a composite rule. To select a sub-rule, click *Add Rule* button. *Add Rule* window displays.
4. Select a rule or a set of rules (hold control on your keyboard to select a set of rules) and click *OK*.
5. Set parameters for the rule to fire.
6. To group event tags according to the attributes, Click *Add/Edit*. The *Attribute* window displays.
7. Check the attribute as per your requirement. You can preview the rule in *RuleLg preview* box. Click *Next*, the *Update Criteria* window displays.
8. Update criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*.
9. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
10. Provide rule description and click *Next*.
11. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

## Sequence

A sequence rule is comprised of 2 or more subrules that must have been triggered in a specific order within the defined timeframe. Sequence rules have an optional group by field, which can be any populated field from the events.

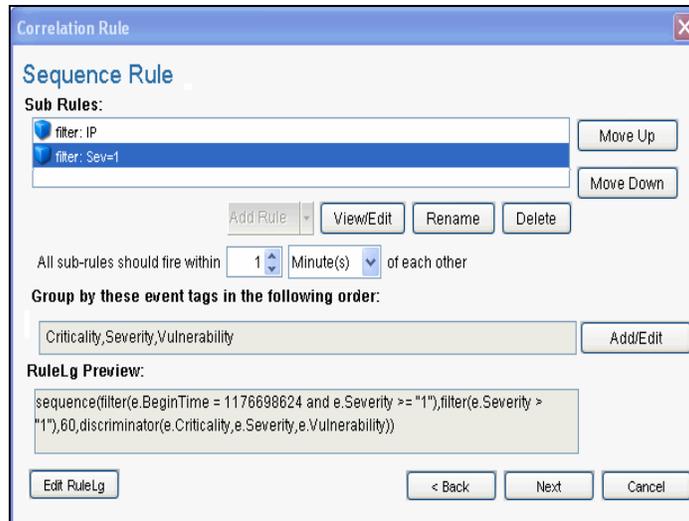
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**NOTE:** When a subrule is used to create a sequence rule, a copy of the subrule is added to the sequence rule's definition. Because a copy is added, changes to the original subrule do not affect the sequence rule.

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To create a sequence rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the Folder drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Sequence Rule*.



**Figure 3-11:** Correlation Rule-Sequence Rule window

3. In *Sequence Rule* window, you can select a sub-rule to create a sequence rule. To select a sub-rule, click *Add Rule* button. *Add Rule* window displays.
4. Select a rule and click *OK*.
5. Set parameters for the rule to fire. To group event tags according to the attributes, Click *Add/Edit*. The *Attribute List* window displays.
6. Check the attribute as per your requirement. You can preview the rule in *RuleLg preview* box. Click *Next*, the *Update Criteria* window displays.
7. Update criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*.
8. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
9. Provide rule description and click *Next*.
10. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

### Custom or Freeform Correlation Rules

The custom or freeform rule option is the most powerful option for creating a correlation rule. This allows the user to create any of the previous types of rules by typing the RuleLG correlation rule language directly into the Correlation Rule Wizard.

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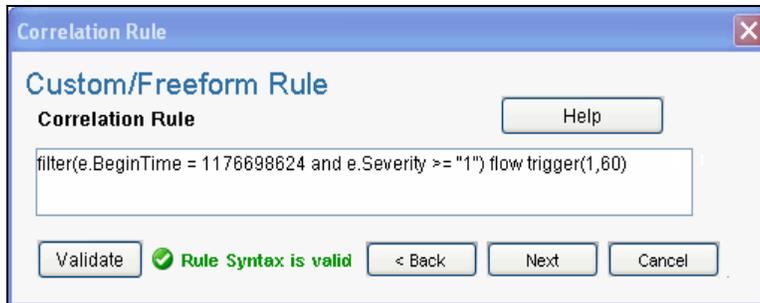
**TIP:**

You can select the Functions, Operators and Meta-Tags from the drop-down list selection. Specify e. or w. in the Correlation Rule section to view the drop-down lists.

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To create a custom or freeform rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the Folder drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click the *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Custom/Freeform Rule*.



**Figure 3-12:** Correlation Rule-Custom/Freeform Rule window

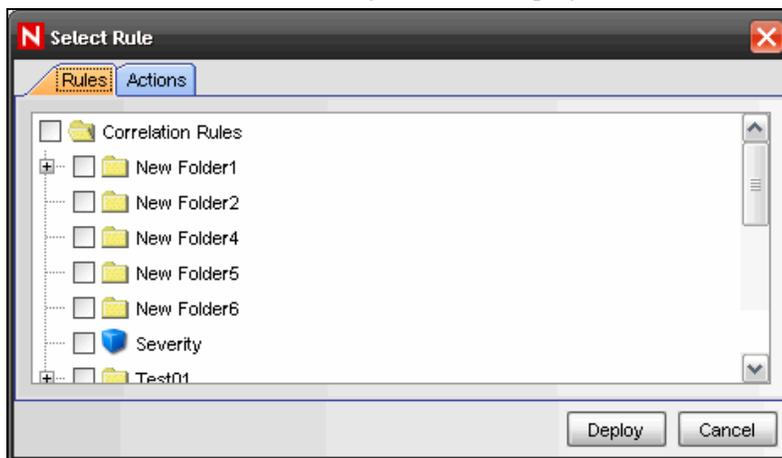
3. In the *Custom/Freeform Rule* window, write the condition for the rule and click *Validate* to test the validity of the rule.
4. After validation of the rule, click *Next*, the *Update Criteria* window displays. Update the criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*.
5. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
6. Provide rule description and click *Next*.
7. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

## Deploying/Undeploying Correlation Rules

Correlation rules can be deployed or undeployed from the *Correlation Engine Manager* or the *Correlation Rule Manager*. You can undeploy all rules or a single rule.

To deploy Correlation Rules (in Correlation Engine Manager):

1. Open the *Correlation Engine Manager* window.
2. Highlight and right-click the engine you want to deploy the rule on and select *Deploy Rules*.
3. In the *Rules* tab, check the rules you want to deploy.



**Figure 3-13:** Select Rule window

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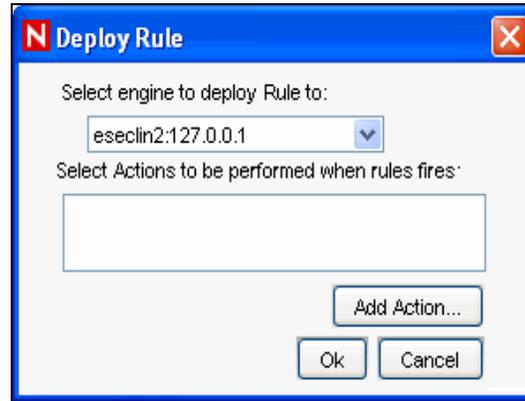
**NOTE:** By default, rules deployed are in enabled state.

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4. In the *Actions* tab, check the action you want to associate with the rule and click *Deploy*.

To deploy Correlation Rules (in Correlation Rule Manager):

1. Open the *Correlation Rule Manager* window.
2. Highlight a rule and click *Deploy rules* link. The *Deploy Rule* window displays.



**Figure 3-14:** *Deploy Rule* window

3. In the *Deploy Rule* window, select the Engine to deploy the rule from the drop-down list.
4. [Optional] Select an action or add a new action. If nothing is selected, a Correlated Event with default values is created.
5. Click *OK*.

To Undeploy a Single Rule:

1. In the *Correlation Engine Manager*, right-click the rule and select *Undeploy Rule*.
2. Alternatively, in the *Correlation Rule Manager*, highlight the rule and click *Undeploy rule* link.

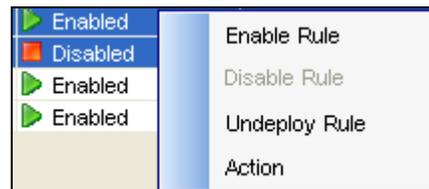
To Undeploy All Correlation Rules:

1. Open the *Correlation Engine Manager* window.
2. Right-click the Correlation Engine and select *Undeploy All Rules*.

## Enabling/Disabling Rules

To Enable/Disable Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Engine Manager* window.
2. Highlight and right-click the rule or set of rules and select *Enable Rule* or *Disable Rule*.



**Figure 3-15:** *Selecting Enable Rule or Disable Rule*

## Renaming and Deleting a Correlation Rule

To rename a Correlation Rule:

**NOTE:** You must undeploy a rule before you rename or delete the rule.

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select the rule you want to rename.
2. If the rule is deployed, click *Undeploy Rule* link to undeploy the rule.
3. Click *View/Edit* link. In the *General Description* tab change the name of the Correlation Rule.
4. Click *OK*.

To delete a Correlation Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select the rule you want to delete.
2. If the rule is deployed, click *Undeploy Rule* link to undeploy the rule.
3. Click *Delete* link. Click *Yes* when the system prompts for confirmation.

## Moving a Correlation Rule

To move a Correlation Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Manage Folder*.
2. Click and drag a correlation rule from one folder to another.

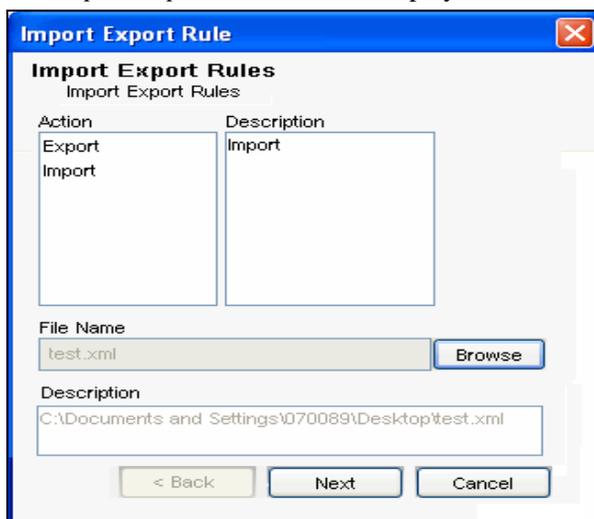
## Importing a Correlation Rule

To Import a Correlation Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Import/Export Correlation Rule* icon.

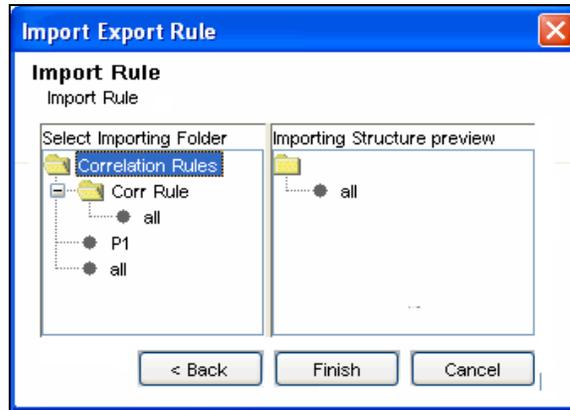


The *Import Export Rule* window displays.



*Figure 3-16: Import Export Rule window*

2. Select the *Import* option from the Action pane. The Description in the *Description* pane changes to Import.
3. Click *Browse* to select the Correlation Rule you want to import. Select the file and click *Import*. Click *Next*. The *Import Rule* window displays.



**Figure 3-17:** *Import Rule* window

4. Select the folder you want to import the Correlation rule into. Click *Finish*.

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**NOTE:** When importing a correlation rule in a folder, if the correlation rule with the same name exists, the system displays a message and does not import the file.

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**IMPORTANT:**

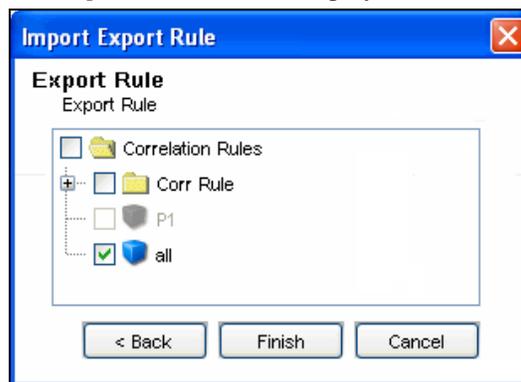
If you import a correlation rule using the `inlist` operator, the dynamic list aligned to that rule must exist or you must create the dynamic list with the same name on the system to it is imported.

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## Exporting a Correlation Rule

To Export a Correlation Rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and click *Import/Export Correlation Rule* icon. The *Import Export Rule* window displays.
2. Select the *Export* option from the Action pane. The Description in the *Description* pane changes to Export.
3. Click *Browse* to export the rule. Specify a file name and click *Export*. Click *Next*. The *Export Rule* window displays.



**Figure 3-18:** *Export Rule* window

4. Select the Correlation Rule you want to export. Click *Finish*.

## Dynamic Lists

Dynamic Lists are distributed list structures that can be used to store string elements, such as IP addresses, server names, or usernames. The lists are then used within a correlation rule for a quick lookup to see whether an incoming event includes an element from the Dynamic List. Some examples of Dynamic Lists include:

- Terminated user lists
- Suspicious user watchlist
- Privileged user watchlist
- Authorized ports and services list
- Authorized server list

A Dynamic List can be built using the text values for any event metatag. Elements can be added to the list manually (by an administrator) or automatically whenever a correlation rule fires. Elements can be removed from a list if manually (by an administrator), automatically whenever a correlation rule fires, when their time limit expires, or when the maximum list size is reached.

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**IMPORTANT:**

The Time To Live (TTL) must be between 60 seconds and 90 days and the maximum list size is 100,000.

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Regardless of how the values were added, they can be Persistent (active until manually removed or until the maximum list size is reached) or Transient (active only for a specified timeframe after being added to the list, also known as the Time to Live). The Time to Live can range from 60 seconds to 90 days.

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**NOTE:** If the Time to Live period is updated on an active Dynamic List, the change is not retroactive to elements already on the list. Elements that are already added to the dynamic list retains their original Time to Live.

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## Adding a Dynamic List

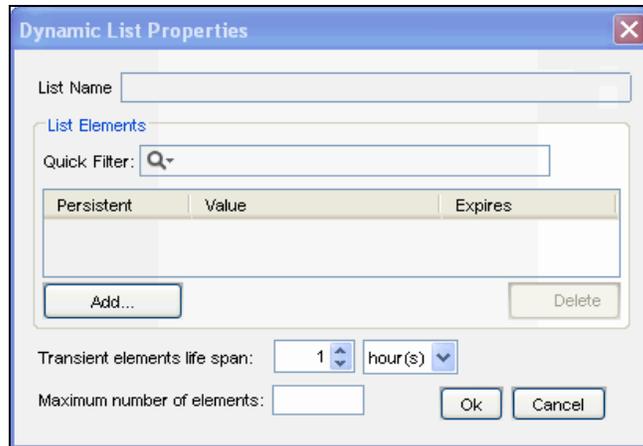
To add Dynamic Lists:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Dynamic Lists*. Alternatively, you can click *Dynamic Lists* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. *Dynamic List Properties* window displays.
3. Provide the Name of the List.

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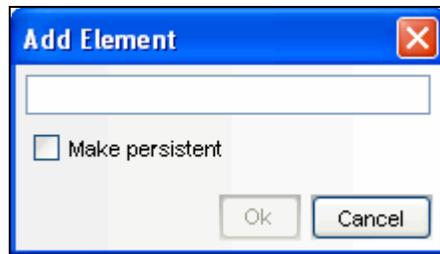
**NOTE:** The name cannot contain special characters, such as quotations or hyphens.

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**Figure 3-19:** Dynamic List Properties window

4. Click *Add*. The *Add Element* window displays:



**Figure 3-20:** Add Element window

5. Provide name of the Element. To make the Element persistent, check *Make Persistent* Check box and Click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** To make an existing element persistent, select the checkbox before the element name in the *Dynamic Properties* window.

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6. Select *Transient elements life span*. It specifies the time the persistent values are active in the list
7. Specify the *Maximum Number of Elements*. The number defined here limits the number of elements in the list.
8. Click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** Select a filter type from *Quick Filter* drop-down list and specify the name of the element, to filter the available elements.

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## Modifying a Dynamic List

To edit a Dynamic List:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Dynamic Lists*. Alternatively, you can click *Dynamic Lists* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Select a Dynamic List and click *View/Edit* link.
3. The *Dynamic List Properties* window displays. Edit the options as required and click *OK*.

## Deleting a Dynamic List

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**WARNING:**

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Do not delete a Dynamic List that is part of a correlation rule or rules.

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To delete a Dynamic List:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select Dynamic Lists. Alternatively, you can click the *Dynamic Lists button* on the Tool Bar.
2. Select a Dynamic List and click *Delete* link against it. Confirmation message alert displays.
3. Click *Yes* to delete.

## Removing Dynamic List Elements

There are several ways an element can be removed from a Dynamic List.

- A user can remove it manually
- The element can be removed by a correlation rule action
- The Transient elements life span can expire
- If the maximum number of elements for a Dynamic List is reached, elements are removed from the list to keep the list at or below the maximum list size. The transient elements are removed (from oldest to newest) before any persistent elements are removed.

## Using a Dynamic List in a Correlation Rule

Dynamic Lists can be referenced in a Correlation Rule by using the Custom/Freeform option of the Correlation Rule Wizard. For example:

```
filter(e.<tagname> inlist <Dynamic List Name>)
```

where

```
e.<tagname> represents a metatag in the incoming
event, such as e.shn (Source Host Name) or e.dip
(Destination IP address)
<Dynamic List Name> is the name of an existing Dynamic
List, such as CriticalServerList
```

The following instructions assume that a Dynamic List already exists.

To add a Dynamic List to correlation rule:

1. Open the *Correlation Rules Manager* window and select a folder from the drop-down list to which this rule is added.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Correlation Rule* window displays. Select *Custom/Freeform Rule*.
3. In the *Custom/Freeform Rule* window, write the condition for the rule including the name of the dynamic list. For example, `filter(e.sev inlist Severity)` where *Severity* is the dynamic list name.
4. Click *Validate* to test the validity of the rule.
5. After validation of the rule, click *Next*, the *Update Criteria* window displays.
6. Update the criteria for the rule to fire and click *Next*.
7. Provide a name to this rule. You have an option to modify the rule folder.
8. Provide rule description and click *Next*.

9. You have an option to create another rule from this wizard. Select your option and click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** Users must have the permission to Start/Stop Correlation Engine to perform these actions.

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The two states of Correlation engine are Enable  and Disable .

When the Correlation Engine is enabled, it processes active correlation Rules. When in a disabled state, all its in-memory data is preserved and no new correlation events are generated. Disabling the Correlation Engine does not affect other parts of the Sentinel system.

Correlation rules are stored in the Sentinel database. When you activate the Correlation Engine in Sentinel Control Center, it requests the deployment information and rules from the database. Changes to a rule are not reflected in the Correlation Engine until one of the following things happens:

- The rule is undeployed, edited and redeployed.
- The rule is freshly deployed

## Starting or Stopping Correlation Engine

To Start or to Stop a Correlation Engine:

1. Open the *Correlation Engine Manager* window.
2. Highlight and right-click a *Correlation Engine* and select *Start or Stop Engine*.



**Figure 3-21:** Selecting Start or Stop Engine

## Renaming Correlation Engine

A Sentinel system can have one or more Correlation Engines. You can rename the engines if desired.

To Rename a Correlation Engine:

1. Open the *Correlation Engine Manager* window.
2. Right-click the Correlation Engine and select *Rename Engine*.
3. Modify the name of the Engine and click *OK*.

## Correlation Action Manager

Correlation Actions allow you to configure repeatable actions that can be associated with a rule deployment so that one or more of the actions is performed whenever the deployed correlation rule fires. The Correlation Action Manager allows you to create and configure these actions.

## Correlation Action Types

The *Correlation Action Manager* allows you to configure the following types of actions:

- Configure a Correlated Event
- Add to Dynamic List
- Remove from Dynamic List
- Execute a Command
- Send an Email
- Create an Incident
- Execute Script

Each action type has a set of configurable parameters.

One or more of these action types can be associated with a correlation rule when the correlation rule is deployed. If none of these action types are selected, a correlated event is created by default. When a default correlation event is triggered, it contains the following values:

Field Name	Default Values
Severity	4
Event Name	CorrelatedEvent
Message	<empty>
Resource	Correlation
SubResource	<Rule Name>

### Configure Correlated Event

The screenshot shows a 'Configure Action' dialog box with the following elements:

- Action Name:** A text input field.
- Action:** A dropdown menu currently set to 'Configure Correlated Event'.
- Attribute Values:** A table with columns 'Name' and 'Value'.
 

Name	Value
Severity	0
EventName	
Message	
Resource	
SubResource	
- Action Parameters:** A table with columns 'Name' and 'Value'.
 

Name	Value
Event Options	Copy fields from trigger event
- Buttons:** 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.

*Figure 3-22: Configure Correlated Event*

Instead of using the default values for a correlated event, an action can be created to populate the following fields in the correlated event:

- Severity
- Event Name
- Message
- Resource
- SubResource

## Add to Dynamic List

The screenshot shows a 'Configure Action' dialog box with the following fields and table:

- Action Name: [Empty text field]
- Action: [Empty text field]
- Action: Add to Dynamic List (dropdown menu)
- Table with columns 'Name' and 'Value':

Name	Value
<b>Action Parameters</b>	
Element Values	
Element Type	Persistent
Dynamic List Name	TerminatedUsers
Attribute Names	
- Buttons: Save, Cancel

*Figure 3-23: Adding to Dynamic List*

This action type can be used to add a constant value or the value of an event attribute (such as Destination IP or Source User Name) to an existing Dynamic List. Any values that are repeated across multiple events are only be added to the dynamic list once. The various parameters available are:

- **Element Values:** Specify a constant value here.
- **Element Type:** Persistent or Transient
- **Dynamic List Name:** Select an existing Dynamic List from the dropdown menu.
- **Attribute Names:** For every event that is part of a correlated event, the value or values of this event attribute is added to the Dynamic List.

If there are entries for both Element Values and Attribute Names, both are added to the Dynamic List when the rule fires. If the Element Value is filled in and the Element Type is Transient, the timestamp for the element in the Dynamic List are updated each time the rule fires.

## Remove from Dynamic List

The screenshot shows a 'Configure Action' dialog box with the following fields and components:

- Action Name:** An empty text input field.
- Action:** A dropdown menu currently set to 'Remove from Dynamic List'.
- Action Parameters Table:** A table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Value'.

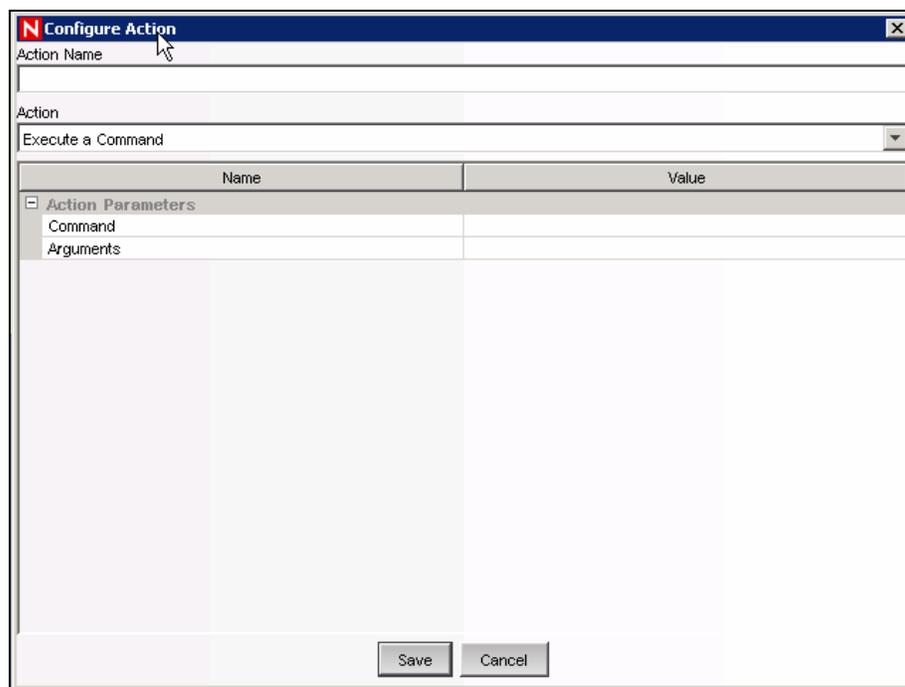
Name	Value
<b>Action Parameters</b>	
Element Values	
Dynamic List Name	TerminatedUsers
Attribute Names	
- Buttons:** 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom right.

*Figure 3-24: Removing from Dynamic List*

This action type can be used to add a constant value or the value of an event attribute (such as Destination IP or Source User Name) from an existing Dynamic List. The various parameters available are:

- **Element Values:** Specify a constant value here.
- **Dynamic List Name:** Select an existing Dynamic List from the dropdown menu.
- **Attribute Names:** For every event that is part of a correlated event, the value or values of this event attribute are deleted from the Dynamic List.

## Execute a Command



**Figure 3-25:** Executing a Command

This action type can be used to execute a command when a correlated event triggers. You can set the following parameters:

- **Command**

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**NOTE:** For actions that execute a command or run a script, the command or script must reside in the `$ESEC_HOME/config/exec` or `%ESEC_HOME\config\exec` folder on the Correlation Engine. Symbolic links on UNIX are not supported.

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- **Arguments:** This can include constants or references to an event attribute in the last event, the one that caused the rule to fire.

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**NOTE:** References to event attributes must use the values in the metatag column enclosed in % symbols. For example, Source IP must be `%sip%`. For more information on Meta-tags, see *Meta-tags* in *Sentinel Reference Guide*.

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Command actions can be created to perform a non-interactive action, such as modifying a firewall policy, entering a record in a database, or deactivating a user account. For an action that generates output, such as a command to run a vulnerability scan, the command should refer to a script that runs the command and then writes the output to a file.

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**NOTE:** By default, the action output is stored to the working directory, `$ESEC_HOME/data`. The action output can be written to a different directory by specifying a different storage location of the output file in the script

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## Create Incident

The screenshot shows a 'Configure Action' dialog box with a blue title bar. The 'Action Name' field is empty. The 'Action' dropdown menu is set to 'Create Incident'. Below this is a table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Value'. The table contains the following parameters:

Name	Value
Action Parameters	
Responsible	
Title	
Category	DENIAL OF SERVICE
Severity	None (0)
Priority	None (0)
State	OPEN
iTRAC Process	
Script Name	

At the bottom of the dialog are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

*Figure 3-26: Configure Action- Create Incident*

This action type create an incident whenever a correlated event fires. You can also initiate an iTRAC workflow process for remediation of that incident. For more information about the values of the following parameters, see “[Incidents Tab](#)” section.

- Responsible
- Title
- Category
- Severity
- Priority
- State
- iTRAC Process
- Script Name

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### WARNING:

Do not enable the Create Incident action until the correlation rule has been tuned. If the rule fires frequently, the system can create more incidents or initiate more iTRAC workflow processes than desired.

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## Execute a Script

The screenshot shows a 'Configure Action' dialog box with a blue title bar. The 'Action Name' field is empty. The 'Action' dropdown menu is set to 'Execute Script'. Below this is a table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Value'. The table contains the following parameters:

Name	Value
Action Parameters	
Script Name	

At the bottom of the dialog are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

*Figure 3-27: Configure Action- Execute a Script*

This action type can be used to execute a JavaScript file when a correlated event triggers. Use this interface to specify the name and location of the JavaScript file you want to execute.

The *Value* for the Script Name must be a relative path to the JavaScript file, relative to the directory \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec or %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec. At run time this script is loaded from the path you have specified and the file is executed.

To configure an Action:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Correlation Action Manager*. Alternatively, you can click *Correlation Action Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Click *Add*. The *Configure Action* window displays. Specify an Action Name in the *Action Name* field.
3. Select *Execute Script* from *Action* dropdown list.
4. Provide the name of the script file in the *Value* field.
5. Click *Save*.

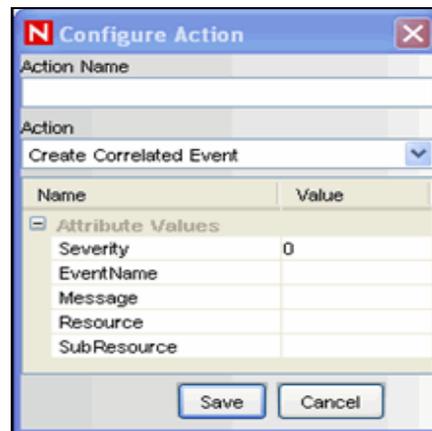
## Correlation Action Administration

The Correlation Action Manager allows you to:

- **Add Action**
- **Edit Action:** If you edit an action that is associated with a deployed rule, the changes will take effect the next time the correlation rule fires.
- **Delete Action:** You cannot delete an action that is associated with a deployed rule.

To add an Action:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Correlation Action Manager*. Alternatively, you can click *Correlation Action Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. *Configure Action* window displays.



**Figure 3-28:** *Configure Action- Create Correlated Event*

3. Specify an Action Name. You can select the type of action to be performed on the correlated batch.
4. Specify the attribute values for the type of action selected.
5. Click *Save*.

#### To edit an Action:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Correlation Action Manager*. Alternatively, you can click *Correlation Action Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Select *Correlated Action* and click *View/Edit* link against it.
3. The *Configure Action* window displays. Edit the options as required and click *Save*.

#### To delete an Action:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Correlation Action Manager*. Alternatively, you can click *Correlation Action Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Select *Correlated Action* and click *Delete* link against it. Confirmation message alert displays.
3. Click *Yes* to delete.

## JavaScript Correlation Actions

The action defined using JavaScript can be executed when the correlation rule fires. The script can be executed either as a standalone action or with an incident creation action.

Using JavaScript, you can access Sentinel system methods to execute actions such as:

- Start/Stop the Collectors
- Add/Remove from Dynamic Lists
- Get Current Event
- Get Correlated Event
- Get Correlation Event Collection
- Get Incident

#### To create a JavaScript Correlation Action:

1. Create a JavaScript file with .js extension.

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**NOTE:** For information about the API for developing JavaScript scripts for Sentinel correlation, see Sentinel JavaScript Correlation Action API on the Novell documentation site:

<http://www.novell.com/documentation/sentinel6>.

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2. Place the .js file in the default working directory on the machine where Correlation Engine is running. The default working directory for the script is \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec or %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec.

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**NOTE:** The working directory for the script can be changed by specifying a value for the property `exec.location` in the `execution.properties` file located in \$ESEC\_HOME/config or %ESEC\_HOME%\config. For example:

```
exec.location = C:\\
```

Restart the correlation engine process to activate the changes made to the `execution.properties` file.

Changing the working directory for Execute Script (JavaScript) correlation actions also changes the working directory for Execute Command correlation actions and right-click menu actions.

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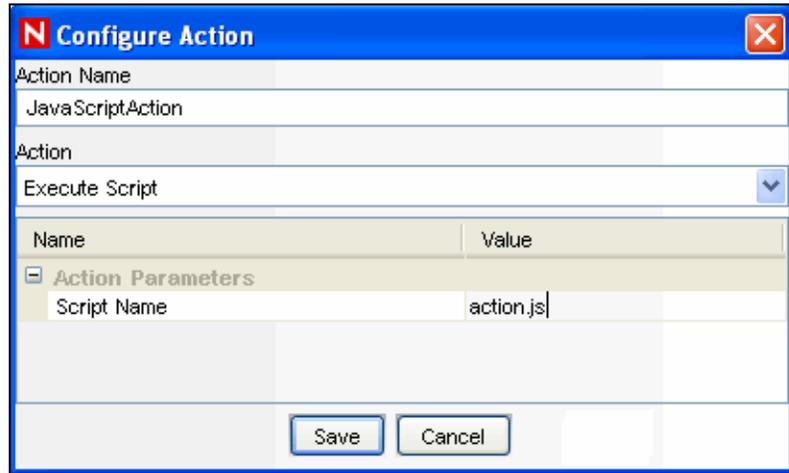
- In the Sentinel Control Center, create a Correlation Action to execute a JavaScript file. For more information on creating an action, see [“Correlation Action Administration”](#).

For example:

**Action Name:** JavaScriptAction

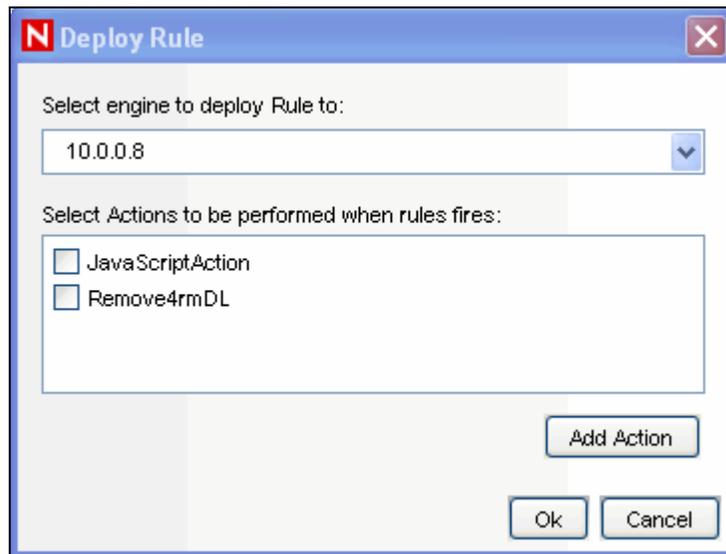
**Action:** Execute Script

**Script Name:** action.js



*Figure 3-29: Configure Action- JavaScript Action*

- Create a Correlation Rule. For more information on creating a Correlation Rule, see [“Creating a Correlation Rule”](#).
- Deploy Correlation Rule and associate the new Correlation Action to the Correlation Rule. For more information on deploying correlation rule, see [“Deploying/Undeploying Correlation Rules”](#).



*Figure 3-30: Deploy Rule window*

### Sample JavaScript Correlation Actions

The code sample below starts or stops a Collector based on information in the correlated event.

```

importPackage(java.lang);
var CollectorName = "TC_5";
var evt = scriptEnv.getCurrentEvent();
var collNm = evt.getPort();
var outfile = new java.io.PrintWriter(new
java.io.FileWriter("/opt/jaya/strtcoll.txt",
true));
if(collNm && collNm.equals(CollectorName))
{
    var collist = ESM.collectorsForName(collNm);
    if (collist.size() > 0)
    {
        var coll = collist.get(0);
        outfile.println("Stopping " + CollectorName);
        coll.stop();
        Thread.sleep(60000);
        outfile.println("starting " +CollectorName);
        coll.start();
    }
}
else
{
    outfile.println("JSTest collector does not
exist");
}
outfile.close();

```

## JavaScript Debugger

You can debug JavaScript files from the Sentinel Control Center with the help of the *JavaScript debugger*. The *JavaScript Debugger* is a local debugger that executes scripts with respect to the machine on which the Sentinel Control Center is running. The *JavaScript Debugger* instantiates a debug session from the *Correlation Engine Manager*.

A JavaScript Correlation Action can only be debugged after it is associated with a fired Correlation Rule. Therefore, a prerequisite to debugging is to create a correlation rule that is guaranteed to fire, then associate the JavaScript Correlation Action with that rule.

The debugger has the following controls:

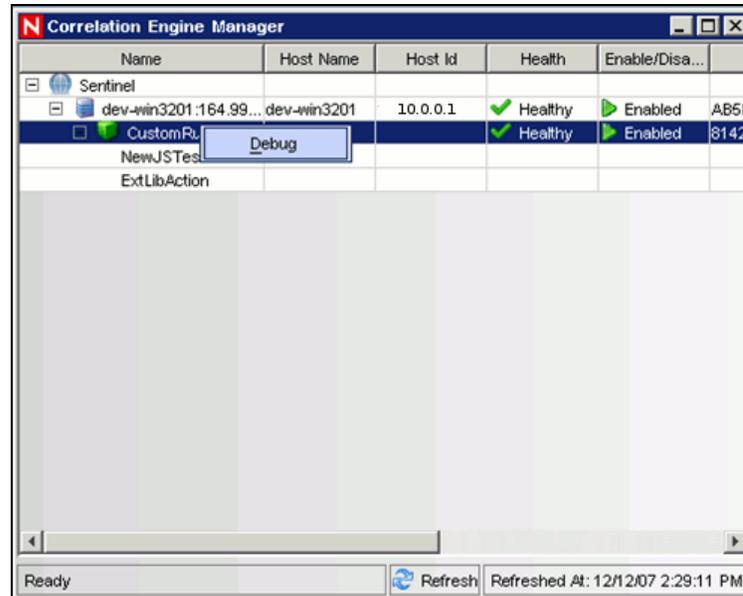
	Run	Run the script until the next breakpoint is encountered.
	Step Into	Step into a function, one line at a time.
	Pause	Pause the running script.
	Stop	Stop the script.

	Step Over	Step over a function to the next line in the script.
	Step Out	Step out of the function to the next line in the script.

**Table 3-2: Debugger Controls**

To open a JavaScript Debugger:

1. Click *Correlation* on the Menu Bar and select *Correlation Engine Manager*. Alternatively, you can click *Correlation Engine Manager* button on the Tool Bar.



**Figure 3-31: Correlation Engine Manager-Debug**

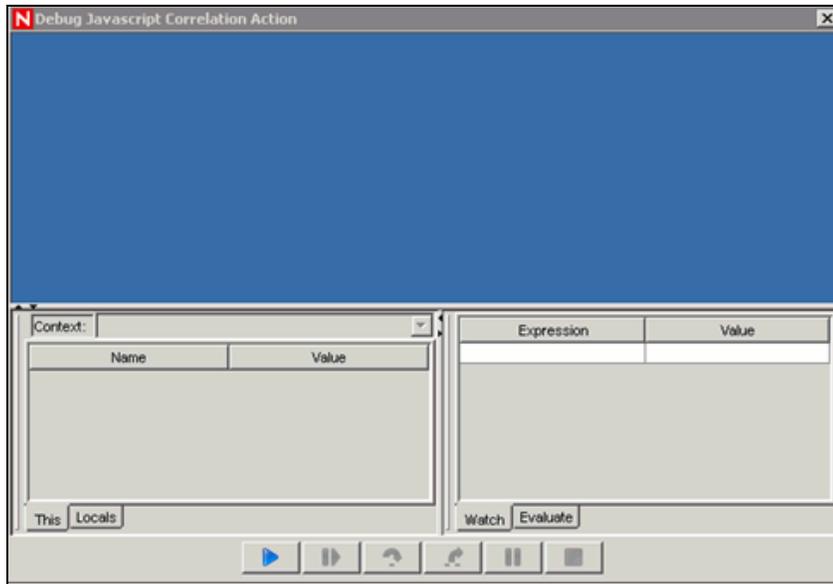
2. Select a JavaScript Action associated with Correlation Rule. Right click and select *Debug*. The *Debug JavaScript Correlation Action* window displays.



**Figure 3-32: Debugging JavaScript Correlation Action**

The screen displays the following message: *Retrieved source file, waiting for associated correlation rule to fire....*

The correlation rule must fire (and a correlated event or incident must be created) before you can debug the script. After the rule fires, this text panel is replaced by a debug panel and the actual debugging session begins. The following JavaScript *Correlation Action* window displays.



**Figure 3-33:** *Debugging JavaScript Correlation Action*

3. Click *Run*. The debugger panel displays the source code and positions the cursor on the first line of the script.

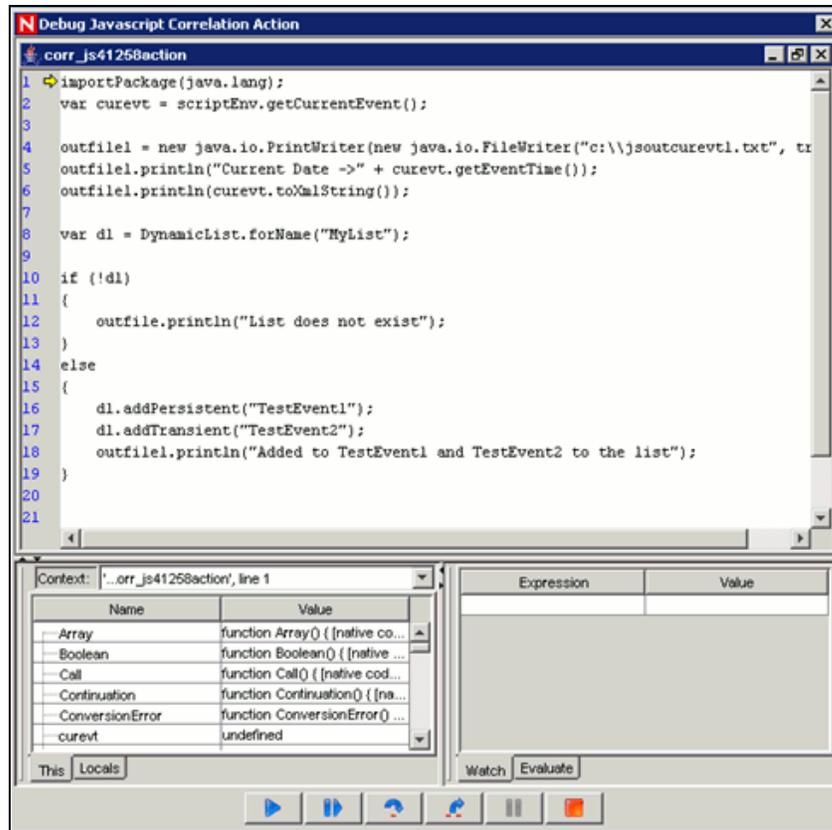


Figure 3-34: Debugger window

You can debug the script as many times as needed (without requiring a new correlation rule to fire). After the debugger gets to the end of the script (or after you click the Stop button), click *Run* again.

4. To debug the script using a different rule, different correlated event, or different incident, close the *Debug Javascript Correlation Action* window and repeat the debugging process.

# 4 Incidents Tab

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## Understanding an Incident

In Sentinel, a set of related events (for example, a possible attack) can be grouped together form an Incident. An Incident in “open” state alerts you to investigate, resolve, and close the incident. For example, the resolution to an attack might be to close a port, block a source IP, or rebuild a machine.

Incidents can be created:

- Manually, by a security analyst monitoring incoming data or querying past data.
- Automatically, because of a correlation rule being triggered. For more information, see “[Correlation Tab](#)” section.

In the *Incidents* Tab, you can:

- Manage Incident Views
- Manage Incidents
- Switch between existing Incident Views

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**NOTE:** You need to have appropriate permissions to access this tab. Only an Administrator has controls to enable/disable access to the features of Incidents for a user.

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## Introduction to User Interface

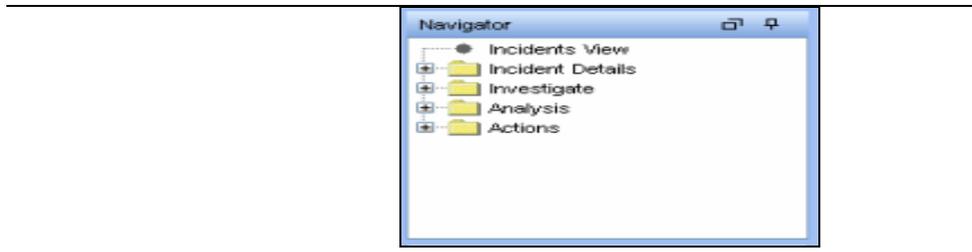
In the *Incidents* Tab, you will see the *Display Incident View*, *Create Incident* and *Attachment Viewer Configuration*.

You can navigate to these functions from:

- The Incident menu in the Menu Bar



- The Navigation Tree in the Navigation Pane
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- The Toolbar Buttons



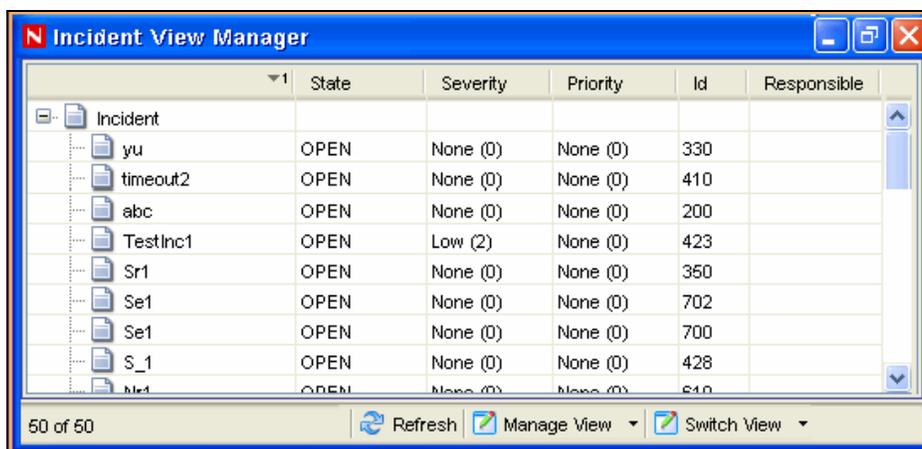
**Table 4-1:** Incident Tab -User Interface

## Incident View

In the *Incident View Manager*, you can view the list of incidents and the parameters you specified when adding an incident.

To open Incident View Manager:

1. Click *Incidents* on Menu Bar and select *Display Incident Views* or click *Display Incident View* button in the Tool Bar.



**Figure 4-1:** Incident View Manager

## Incident

When you add/edit an incident, you will see the tabs listed below where you can perform the incident related activities. As you investigate and remediate an incident, additional information can be added to these tabs. Except for Events and History, entering information on the tabs is optional.

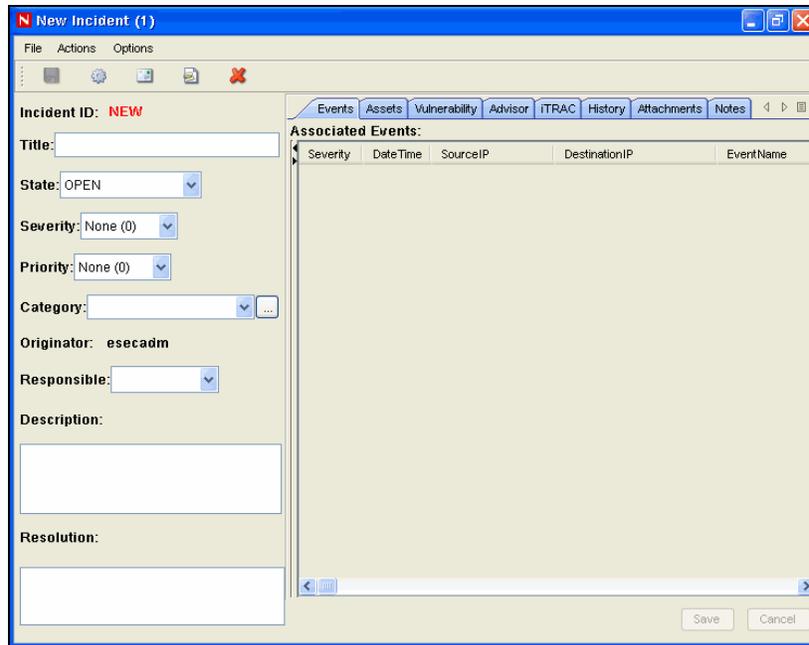


Figure 4-2: Add/Edit Incident

- **Events:** Lists events attached to this incident. You can attach events to incidents in Active Views.
- **Assets:** Lists assets affected by the events of this incident.
- **Vulnerability:** Lists asset vulnerabilities.
- **Advisor:** Displays Asset attack and alert information.
- **iTRAC:** Allows you to add a workflow to incident from *iTRAC* Tab.
- **History:** Lists activities performed on the current incident.
- **Attachments:** Allows you to add an attachment to the incident created in the system.
- **Notes:** Allows you to add notes to the incident.

## Manage Incident Views

Manage View allows you to:

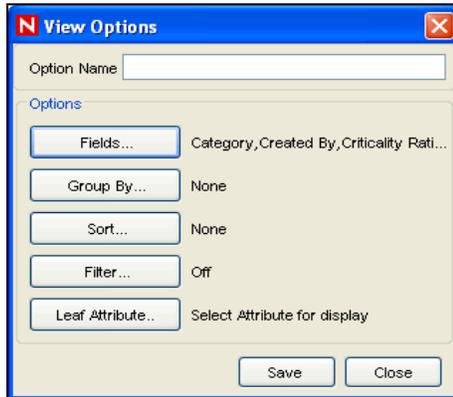
- Add Views
- Edit Views
- Delete Views
- Mark a View as default

## Adding a View

To add an Incident View:

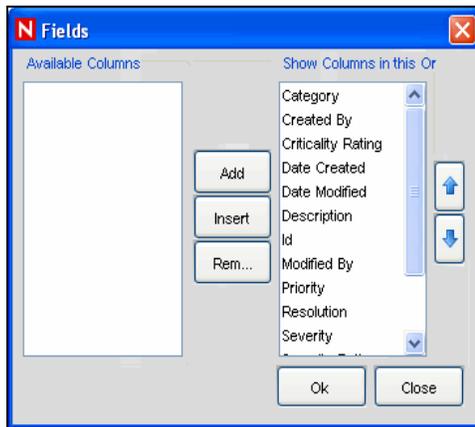
1. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View Manager*. Alternatively, click *Display Incident View* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Open the View Options by either:
  - Clicking the down-arrow on the *Manage Views* button located in bottom right corner of the window and selecting *Add View*.
  - or

- Clicking the down arrow on the *Manage Views* button located in the bottom right corner of the window, selecting *Manage Views* and then clicking the *Add View* button.



*Figure 4-3: View Options window*

3. Provide a name in the *Option Name* field. Click each button (listed below) to specify the options.
  - **Fields:** The variables of the events attached to incidents are displayed as fields. By default, all the fields are arranged as columns in the Incident View. In the *Field* options window, you can add or remove columns that display and arrange the order of the columns by moving the up and down arrows.



*Figure 4-4: Fields window*

- **Group By:** You can set rules to group incidents in the display View.



*Figure 4-5: Group By window*

- **Sort By:** You can set rules to sort the incidents in the display view.



*Figure 4-6: Sort window*

- **Filter:** You can set Incident filters. Only the Incidents that match your filter displays in the View.



*Figure 4-7: Criteria window*

- **Leaf Attribute:** You can select an attribute from the list which is displayed as the first column in the Incident View.



*Figure 4-8: Select Attribute window*

4. Click *Save*.

## Modifying a View

To edit an Incident View:

1. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View* or click *Display Incident View Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Open a view by:
  - Clicking the down-arrow on the *Switch View* button in the bottom right corner, select the view you want to edit. Click the down-arrow on the *Manage View* button located in bottom right corner of the screen and select *Edit Current View* from the list.  
or
  - Clicking the down arrow on the *Manage Views* button located in the bottom right corner of the window, select *Manage Views*. Select a view to edit and click *View/Edit*.
3. Edit the options as required and click *Save*.

## Deleting a View

To delete an Incident View:

1. Click *Incidents > Incident View Manager* or click *Display Incident View* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Click the down-arrow on the *Manage Views* button located in bottom right corner of the screen and select *Manage View* from the list. The *Manage View* window displays. Select a view and click *Delete*. A confirmation message alert displays.
3. Click *Yes* to delete.

## Default View

To mark a View as default:

1. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View Manager*, or click *Display Incident View Manager* icon on the Tool Bar.
2. Click the down-arrow on the *Manage Views* button located in bottom right corner of the screen and select *Manage Views* from the list. The *Incident View* window displays.
3. Select the incident view you want as default, and click *Mark as Default*.

## Manage Incidents

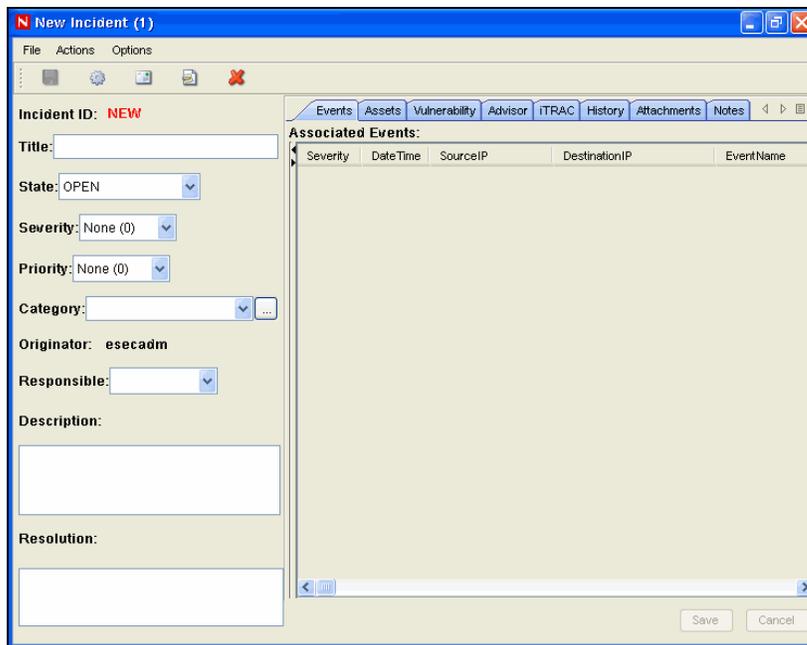
You can perform the following activities related to Incidents:

- Create an Incident
- Attach Workflows to Incidents
- Add Attachments to Incidents
- Add Notes to Incidents
- Edit an Incident
- Delete an Incident

## Creating Incidents

To create an Incident:

1. Click *Incidents > Create Incident*, or click *Create Incident* button on the Tool Bar. The *New Incident* window displays.



*Figure 4-9: New/Edit Incident window*

2. Specify the following information:
  - **Title:** Specify the Title of the Incident.
  - **State:** To set state of the incident, select from the drop-down list.
  - **Severity:** To mention the severity of the incident, select from the drop-down list.
  - **Priority:** To mention the priority of the incident, select from the drop-down list.
  - **Category:** Specify the category of the Incident.
  - **Responsible:** To assign the responsibility to investigate and close the incident, select from the drop-down list.
  - **Description:** Specify the description of the Incident in the text area.
  - **Resolution:** Specify the resolution description in the text area.
3. Click *Create*. The Incident ID automatically generates after you click *Create*.

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**NOTE:** For more information on creating an incident grouping events, see [Creating Incident](#) in “Active Views Tab” section.

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## Viewing an Incident

To open an Incident

1. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View Manager* or click *Display Incident View Manager* button on the Tool Bar.
2. Open an Incident by:

- Selecting a view from the *Switch Views* button in the bottom right corner.
- Double click an incident in the *Incident View Manager* window.

## Attaching Workflows to Incidents

To attach a workflow to an Incident:

1. Open an incident.
2. In the *Incident* window, click *iTRAC* Tab.
3. Select an *iTRAC* process from the drop-down list.
4. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** You can attach only one process to an incident.

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## Adding Notes to Incidents

To add a note to an Incident:

1. In the *Incident* window, click *Notes* Tab.
2. Click *Add*. *Add Notes to Incident* window displays.
3. Provide your notes and click *OK*.
4. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** To edit or delete the note, select a note in the *Notes* tab of the *Incident* window, right-click the note and select edit or delete.

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## Adding Attachments to Incidents

To add an attachment to Incident:

1. In the *Incident* window, click *Attachments* Tab.
2. Click *Add*. *Add Attachment to Incident* window displays.
3. Click *Browse*, navigate to the attachment, and select it.
4. Provide the following information, or accept the default entries:
  - Name
  - Description
  - Type
  - Subtype

Click *OK*, click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** Right-click the attachment to view or save.

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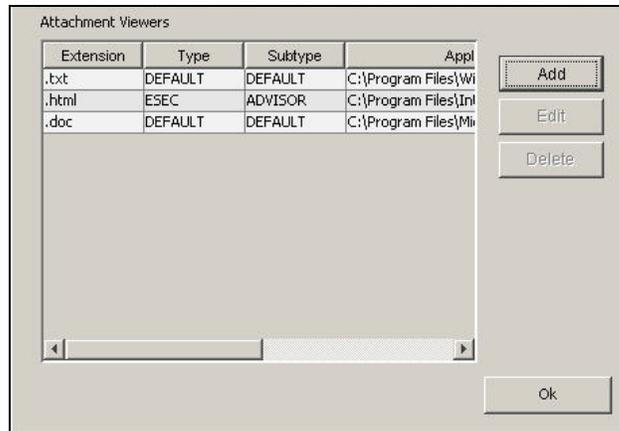
## Configuring the Attachment Viewer

To configure the Attachment Viewer:

1. On the *Incident* tab, open an incident and double-click an *Attachment* without an associated viewer in the *Incident* window > *Attachment Tab* or click *Incidents* > *Attachment Viewer Configuration* or click *Configure Attachment Viewers* button.

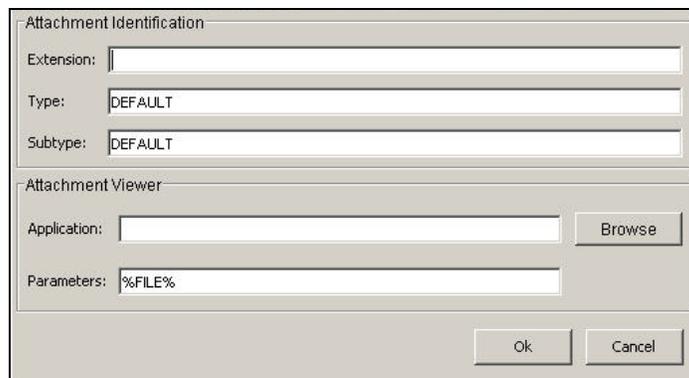


The *Attachment Viewer Configuration* window displays.



**Figure 4-10:** Attachment Viewer Configuration window

2. Click *Add*. The *Attachment Viewer Configuration* window displays.



**Figure 4-11:** Attachment Identification window

Specify the extension type (such as `.doc`, `.xls`, `.txt`, `.html` and so on) and click *Browse* or type in the application program to launch the file type (such as `notepad.exe` for Notepad).

3. Click *OK*.

## Modifying Incidents

To edit an Incident:

1. Click *Incident* tab. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View*. Alternatively, click *Display Incident View* button on the Tool Bar. *Incident View* window displays with the list of incidents.
2. Right-click the incident you want to edit and select *Modify*.
3. *Incident* window displays. Edit the following information:
  - Title
  - State
  - Severity
  - Priority
  - Category
  - Responsible
  - Description
  - Resolution

4. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** Save button gets active only if you modify any information in Incidents screen.

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## Deleting Incidents

To delete an Incident:

1. Click *Incident* tab. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View Manager*, or click *Display Incident View* button on the Tool Bar. The *Incident View* window displays.
2. Right-click the incident you want to delete and select *Delete*.
3. A confirmation Message displays. Select *Yes*.

## Emailing an Incident

To email an incident, the administrator must have configured Sentinel to work with a mail server either during Sentinel installation or later, in the execution.properties file. For more information, see “**Utilities**” section.

To email an Incident:

1. Click the *Incidents* tab. Click *Incidents > Display Incident View* or click the *Display Incident View* button



2. Double click an *Incident View* name.
3. Double-click an incident.
4. Click *Email Incident* button.



5. Provide:
  - Email Address
  - Email Subject
  - Email Message
6. Click *OK*. The e-mail message have HTML attachments that address incident details, events, assets, vulnerabilities, advisor attacks, incident history and attachments.

## Switch between existing Incident Views

To switch between Incident views:

1. Click the down-arrow on the *Switch View* button on the bottom right corner of the screen which displays a list of existing views.
2. Select a view.

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## iTRAC™ Workflows

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### Understanding iTRAC Workflows

iTRAC Workflows are designed to provide a simple, flexible solution for automating and tracking an enterprise's incident response processes. It leverages Sentinel's internal incident system to track security or system problems from identification (through correlation rules or manual identification) through resolution.

Workflows can be built using manual and automated steps. Advanced features such as branching, time-based escalation, and local variables are supported. Integration with external scripts and plug-ins allows for flexible interaction with third-party systems. Comprehensive reporting allows administrators to understand and fine-tune the incident response processes.

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**NOTE:** Access to manage iTRAC templates, activities, and processes can be enabled on a user-by-user basis by any user with the ability to change user permissions.

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The iTRAC system uses three Sentinel objects that can be defined outside the iTRAC framework:

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▪ Incident	Incidents within Sentinel are groups of events that represent an actionable security incident, plus associated state and meta-information.  Incidents are created manually or through correlation rules, and can, but need not be associated with a workflow process. They can be viewed on the <i>Incidents</i> tab.
▪ Activity	An Activity is a pre-defined automatic unit of work, with defined inputs, command-driven activity, and outputs (For example, automatically attaching asset data to the incident or sending an e-mail).  Activities can be used within workflow templates, triggered by a correlation rule, or executed by a right-click when viewing events.

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▪ Role	Sentinel users can be assigned to one or more Roles. Manual steps in the workflow processes can be assigned to a Role.
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**Table 5-1: Sentinel Objects used by iTRAC**

iTRAC Workflows have four major components that are unique to iTRAC:

▪ Step	A Step is an individual unit of work within a workflow; there are manual steps, decision steps, command steps, mail steps, and activity-based steps. Each step displays as an icon within a given workflow template.
▪ Transition	A Transition defines how the workflow moves from one state (Activity) to another – this can be determined by an analyst action, by the value of a variable, or by the amount of time elapsed. .
▪ Templates	A Template is a design for a workflow that controls the flow of execution of a process in iTRAC. The template consists of a network of manual and automated Steps. Activities and criteria for transition between them. Workflow templates define how an incident is responded to after a process based on that template is instantiated (see below). A template can be associated with many incidents.
▪ Processes	A process is a specific instance of a workflow template that is actively being tracked by the workflow system. It includes all the relevant information relating to the instance, including the current step in the workflow, the associated incident, the results of Steps, attachments, and notes. Each workflow process is associated to one and only one incident.

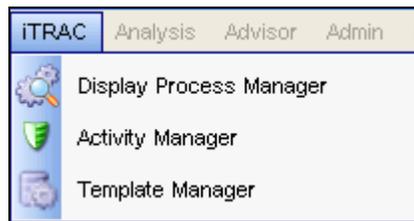
**Table 5-2: Major components of iTRAC**

## Introduction to the User Interface

Within the Sentinel Control Center, you access the iTRAC administrative functions by selecting the *iTRAC* tab from the main screen. This tab gives you access to the *Activity Manager* (where you define Activities), the *Template Manager* (where you define Templates), and the *Process View Manager* (where you manage instantiated workflow Processes).

You can navigate to these functions from:

- The iTRAC menu in the Menu Bar



- The Navigation Tree in the Navigation Pane



- The toolbar buttons



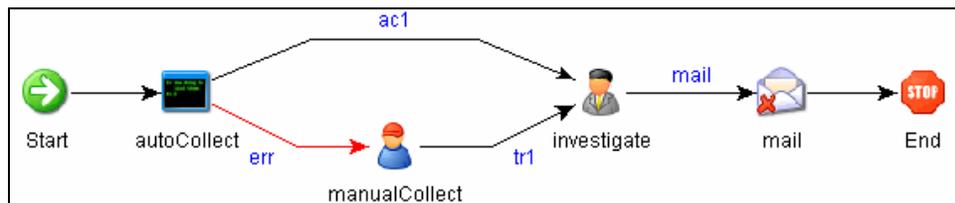
*Table 5-3: iTRAC -User Interface*

## Template Manager

The *Template Manager* can be used to create, view, modify, copy, or delete a Template. Within the *Template Manager* you can add, delete, copy, view, and edit templates. Templates can be sorted into folders for easy management

In the *Template Manager*, you can:

- Create new workflow Templates
- Edit or copy existing Templates
- Define workflow Steps
  - Manual or Automated
  - Description of Step or instructions for iTRAC users
- Define transitions between Steps
  - Transition type
  - Escalation procedures
  - Timeout and alert attributes



*Figure 5-1: iTRAC workflow*

## Default Templates

iTRAC is shipped with the following templates to use as examples. The process and activity attributes for these templates are set to pre-defined values. Users can modify these to suit their requirements. The default templates are:

- AlertTimeoutExample
- TwoStepSimpleExample
- ConditionalTransitionExample
- CommandExample

# Template Builder Interface

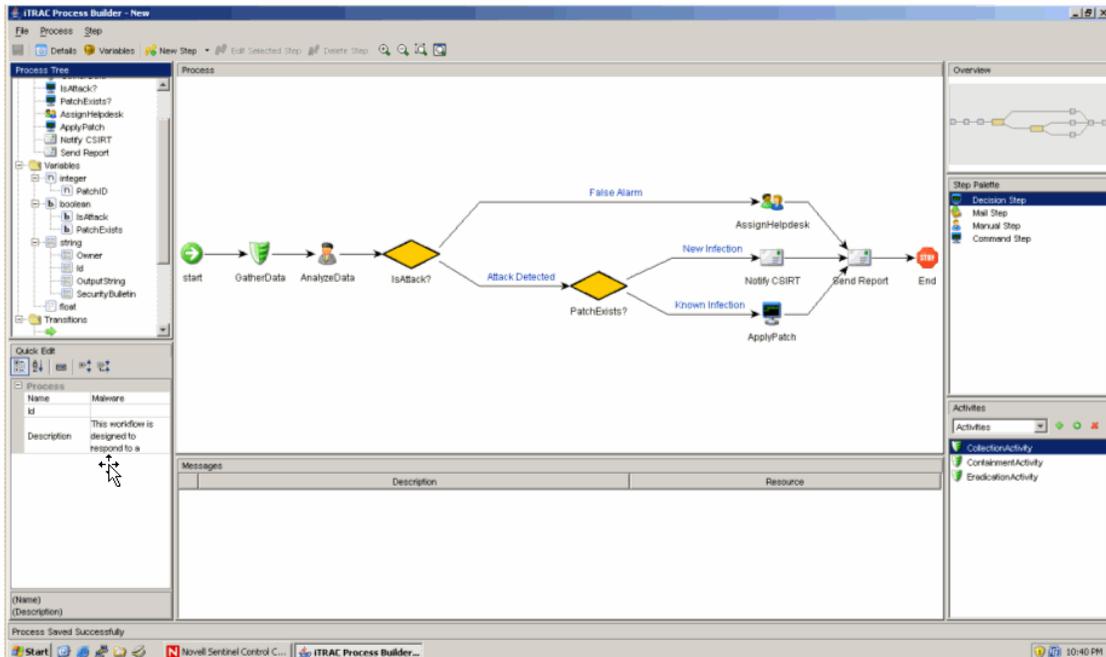


Figure 5-2: Template Builder Interface

The following panes displays in the *Template Builder* window:

- **Process Tree:** This pane displays the Steps, Transitions and Variables added to the Template. User can add Steps or Variables, Edit or Remove Steps, Variables and Transitions.

To perform an action on a Step, Variable or Transition:

- Expand the relevant group in the Tree.
- Select and right-click an existing attribute.
- Select action you want to perform.

- **Process:** This is the main GUI for viewing and creating a Workflow template. For more information on creating a Workflow Template, see “[Creating Templates](#)”.
- **Quick Edit:** Select a Step or Transition to see its properties. This pane allows you to edit process attributes.

To edit the details of steps using Quick Edit:

- Click the *Process Attribute* value in the *Quick Edit* Pane.
- The attribute values are highlighted indicating Edit Mode.
- Modify the value and click anywhere outside the *Quick Edit* frame to save the new value.

- **Messages:** This pane displays messages if Steps or Transitions are incomplete. You must resolve any issues listed here before saving the Template.
- **Overview:** This pane displays an overview of the entire Template.
- **Step Palette:** There are four types of Steps in the Step Palette. You can Drag and Drop the Steps into the Process pane.
  - Decision Step

- Mail Step
- Manual Step
- Command Step
- **Activities:** The activities added in the Activity Manager are shown in this pane and can be added to a workflow template. The user can also Add, Edit and Remove Activities. For more information, see “[Managing Activities](#)”.

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**WARNING:**

Use caution when editing or deleting an Activity that is already in use.

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The following icons are used in the *Template Builder* to represent the Steps:

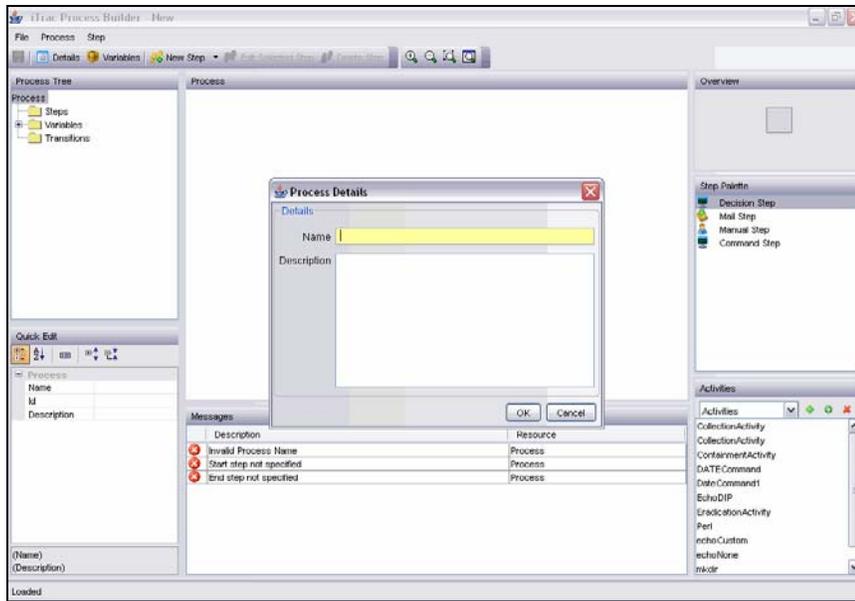
Icon	Description
	<b>Start Step:</b> All workflow templates have a Start Step.
	<b>Decision Step:</b> This step provides different execution paths depending on the value of a variable defined in a previous Step.
	<b>Mail Step:</b> This step sends a pre-written email.
	<b>Manual Step:</b> This step indicates that manual work must be performed, often outside the Sentinel system (For example, telephoning the owner of the affected system or analyzing the results of a scan).
	<b>Activity Step:</b> This step is a pre-defined set of Activities.
	<b>Command Step:</b> This step executes a command or script on the iTRAC workflow server, usually installed in the same place as the Data Access Service (DAS). The output of the command can be stored in a string variable and used as input to a Decision Step.
	<b>End Step:</b> This step signifies the completion of a workflow process.

*Table 5-4: Template Builder Icons*

## Creating Templates

To create a New Template:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the navigation pane, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Click *Add*. The *iTRAC Template Builder* window displays.



**Figure 5-3:** iTRAC Template Builder window

4. In the *Process Details* window, provide a name and description (optional) of the template and click *OK*.
5. Drag and drop a Step from the *Step Palette* or an Activity from the *Activities* pane into the *Process* window. Or click the *New Step* drop-down button in the upper left corner and select one of the following Step types. Or right-click *Start step*, select *Insert New* and select one of the following Step types.
  - Decision Step
  - Manual Step
  - Mail Step
  - Command Step
6. Add as many Steps and Activities as needed to create the Template.
7. Create transitions between each Step. To create Transitions, right-click the step after which you need to add transition and click *Add Transition*.

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**NOTE:** Any step (except for the End step) might have one or more exit transition lines. A Decision step must have at least two exit lines.

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8. Right-click each final step in the Template and click *Add End Transition*.

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**NOTE:** On the bottom of the *iTRAC Template Builder* is a message pane that lists any warnings or errors about incomplete steps during the construction.

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9. To save your process, go to *File>Save* or click *Save* button.

## Managing Templates

After creating a template, you can modify, copy, delete the Template.

### Viewing/Editing Templates

To view/edit an Existing Template:

1. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
2. Highlight a template and click *View/Edit*. The *Template builder* displays.

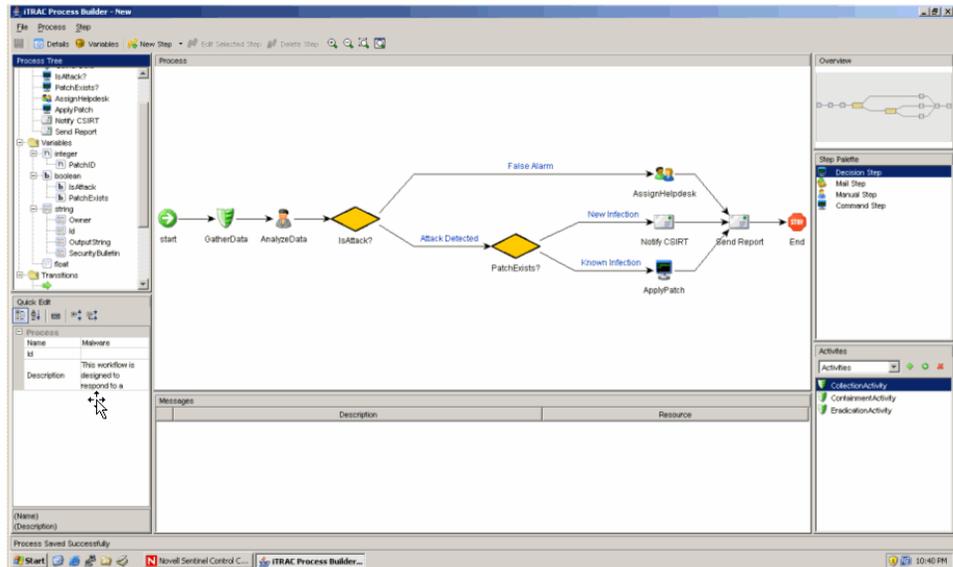


Figure 5-4: Template Builder Interface

## Copying Templates

One way to create a new workflow Template is to copy one of the default Templates and modify it.

To copy a Template:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight a template and click *Copy*. A *Template Builder* with the copied template displays.
4. Provide a new name, save and edit the template as needed.

## Deleting Templates

Even if you delete a Template, any instantiated workflow processes that are based on that Template still completes normally.

To delete a Template:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight a template and click *Delete*.

## Steps

Steps are the basic components of a Template. Every Template must have a Start Step and an End Step. The Start Step exists by default. You can also add the following types of Steps to a Template:

- Manual Step
- Decision Step
- Mail Step
- Command Step
- Activity Step

- End Step

## Start Step

Every workflow template must have one and only one Start step. The transition from a Start step is always Unconditional.

## Manual Steps



This type of step indicates that manual work must be performed. Every manual step in a Template must be assigned to a Role. The users in that role are notified through a worklist item when an instantiated workflow process reaches the Manual Step. When a user accepts the worklist item, it is removed from the queue of the other users in that Role. For more information about worklists and stepping through a workflow process, see “[Work Item Summary](#)” section.

The description of the step should indicate what work needs to be performed. The user is expected to perform that work and then acknowledge completion.

A Manual Step includes the following attributes:

- Name of step
- Role
- Variables
  - Delete
  - Add
- Description

## Variables

The user can also be asked to set one or more variables to appropriate values. Four variable types can be assigned to manual steps: (1) Integer, (2) Boolean, (3) String and (4) Float. This variable can be set to an explicit default value during the Step definition, or the user can set the value at run-time as part of the workflow process. The value can be optional or required.

The value of the variable can be used as part of a Conditional transition to determine the path the workflow follows. It can also be used later as part of a Conditional Transition from a Decision step to determine the workflow path.

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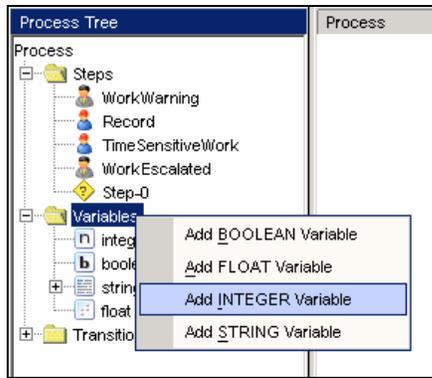
**NOTE:** If the value is going to be used later as part of a Decision step, it should be marked “Required.”

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For example, an integer variable can be set by the user to hold the event rate. Output transitions from the Manual Step can be defined so that if the event rate is greater than 500, one path is followed; else another path is followed.

To create a variable:

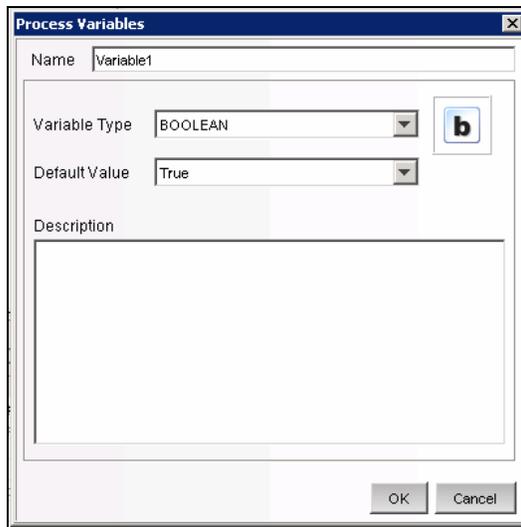
1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Click *Add* button in upper left corner to open a new template or highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*.
4. Right click Variables in the Process Tree and select the type of variable to add or right-click the variable type and select *Add [type] Variable*.



**Figure 5-5: Adding Variable**

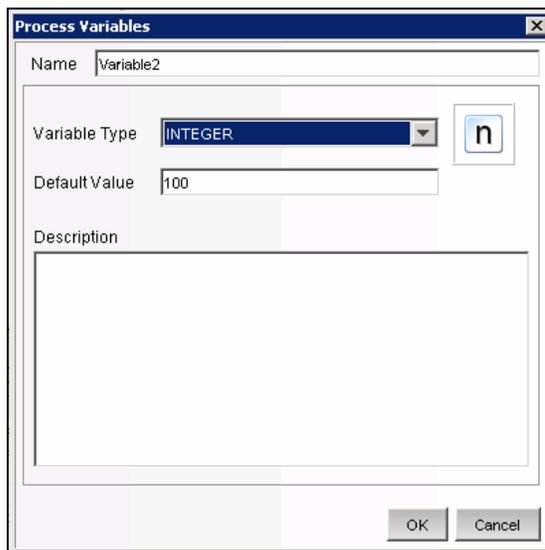
5. Give the variable a name and specify the Default Value, if desired.

**Boolean Variable:**



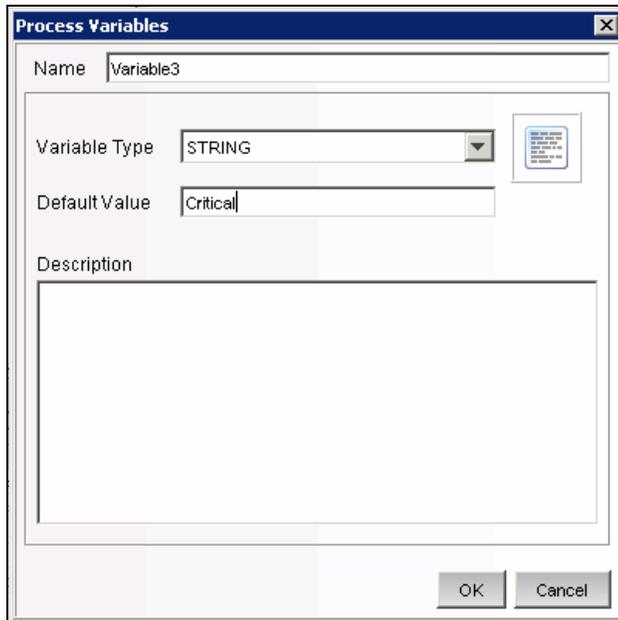
**Figure 5-6: Process Variable window-Boolean Variable Type**

**Integer Variable:**



**Figure 5-7: Process Variable window-Integer Variable Type**

### String Variable:



Process Variables

Name Variable3

Variable Type STRING

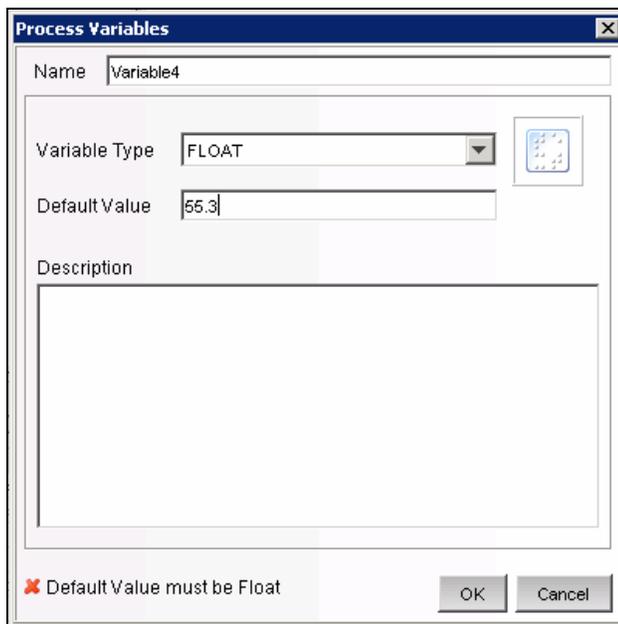
Default Value Critical

Description

OK Cancel

*Figure 5-8 Process Variable window-String Variable Type*

### Float Variable



Process Variables

Name Variable4

Variable Type FLOAT

Default Value 55.3

Description

Default Value must be Float

OK Cancel

*Figure 5-9 Process Variable window-Float Variable Type*

6. Click *OK*.

From a Manual Step, you can set Conditional, Unconditional, Timeout, or Alert transitions.

### Decision Steps



This type of step selects between exit transitions depending on the values of variables defined in prior steps. See “**Manual Step**” for the available variable types. The Decision Step itself is very simple; you can edit only the step name and description. The workflow path is determined by the transitions.

From a Decision Step, you can set Conditional and Else transitions. Every Decision Step must have an Else transition and at least one Conditional transition. The Else transition leads to a workflow path that is followed if none of the criteria for the Conditional transitions is met.

## Mail Steps



This step sends a pre-written email. A Mail Step includes the following attributes:

- Name of step
- To addressee
- From addressee
- Subject of email
- Body of email

From a Mail Step, you can set a Conditional, Unconditional, Timeout, Alert, or Error transition. An Error transition should always be included so error conditions can be handled properly.

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**NOTE:** If the first step of a workflow fails without an error transition, the iTRAC process cannot proceed.

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## Command Steps



A Command Step is a step in which an operating-system level command or script (shell, batch, perl and so on) is executed. The name of the command can be provided explicitly or set as a string variable, and parameters can be passed in the same manner. Output from the command can also be placed back into a string variable.

A Command Step includes the following attributes:

- Name of step
- Description
- Command (Can be explicit or variable-driven)
- Arguments (Can be explicit or variable-driven)
- Output Variable

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**NOTE:** The command (or a batch file or script that refers to the command) must be stored in the %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec or \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec directory on the iTRAC workflow server, usually the same machine where the Data Access Server (DAS) is installed. Symbolic links are not supported

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## Variables

The command output can also be used to set a variable to the appropriate values. Command steps must use String variable types.

The value of the variable can be used as part of a Conditional transition to determine the path the workflow follows. It can also be used later as part of a Decision step to determine the workflow path.

For example, a command step can return a value of 0 for failure and 1 for success. This output can be assigned to a variable, and then a Conditional transition or a Decision step can use this value to determine which workflow path to take.

The command and its arguments can each be specified explicitly by the person designing the workflow or be set as a string variable. If either one is set as a string variable, there must be a previous step in the Template where the variable is set to a string value.

From a Command Step, you can set Conditional, Unconditional, Timeout, or Alert, or Error transitions. An Error transition should always be included so error conditions can be handled properly.

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**NOTE:** If the first step of a workflow fails without an error transition, the iTRAC process cannot proceed.

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## Activity Steps



An Activity Step is a type of automated step that can be used in a workflow Template. Activity Steps are created in the Activity Manager and can consist of internal Sentinel operations or external scripted operations. After Activity Steps are created, the user can select from the library of these Activities and drop them into the workflow. See [“Creating an Activity”](#) for information on creating each type of pre-defined Activity.

An Activity Step includes the following attributes:

- Name
- Description
- Activity Assignment

From an Activity Step, you can set Conditional, Unconditional, Timeout, or Alert, or Error transitions. An Error transition should always be included so error conditions can be handled properly.

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**NOTE:** If the first step of a workflow fails without an error transition, the iTRAC process cannot proceed.

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## End Step

Every workflow template must have an End Step to complete every branch of the workflow path.

## Adding Steps to a Workflow

Steps can be added to a workflow using the Step Palette or using a right-click in the *Process Builder*. When adding steps to a workflow, a yellow entry field indicates an invalid entry.

To add a Step from the Step Palette:

1. Drag and drop a step from the *Step Palette*.
2. Right-click the step and select *Edit Step*.
3. Edit the details of the step and click *Save*.

To add a Step using a Right-Click:

1. Right-click an existing step in the *Process Builder* and select *Insert New*.
2. Edit the details of the step and click *Save*.
3. Select *Manual*, *Decision*, *Mail*, *Command* or *End Step*.
4. Edit the details of the step and click *Save*.

To add an Activity Step:

1. Click and drag an Activity from the *Activity Pane* to the *Process Builder*.

To add an End Step:

1. Right-click a Step with no transition and select *Add End Transition*.

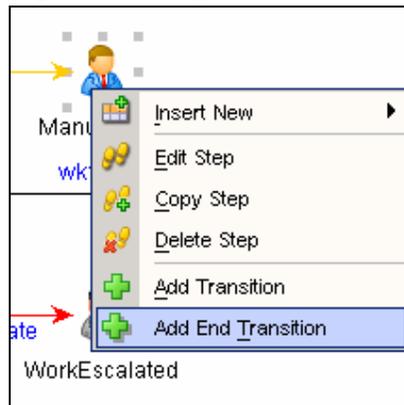


Figure 5-10: Adding End Transition

## Managing Steps

Steps can be copied, edited, or deleted.

### Copying Steps

To copy a Step:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*. *iTRAC Process Builder* window displays.
4. Select an existing step, right-click, and select *Copy Step*.
5. The *Step* window opens in edit mode with all the attributes of the selected step. Specify a name to the new step.
6. Edit step attributes as required. Click *OK*.

### Modifying Steps

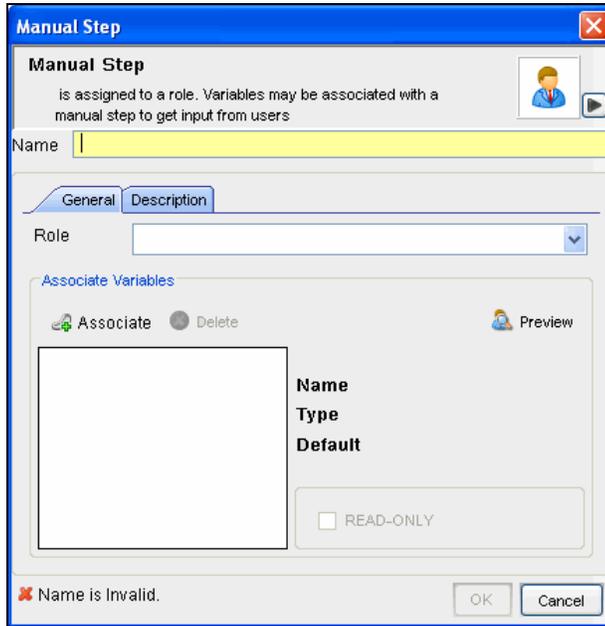
To edit a Step:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*. *iTRAC Process Builder* window displays.
4. Select an existing step, right-click, and select *Edit Step*.

5. Edit the step attributes. Click *OK*.

To edit a Manual Step:

1. Right-click a Manual Step and select *Edit Step*.

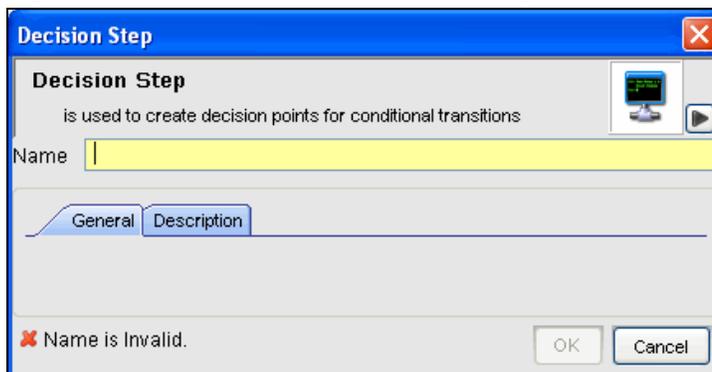


*Figure 5-11: Manual Step window*

2. Provide a Name for the step.
3. Attach a Role to this step by selecting a Role from the drop-down list. (For more information on Roles, see “Admin Tab” section.)
4. Click *Associate* to associate a Variable; select the variable from the list or create new variables to be associated. Set a default value as desired.
5. Check the *Read-Only* box if this variable is to be forced to the default value.
6. Click *Description* tab to provide description for this step.
7. Click *Preview* to preview the step you created.
8. Click *OK*.

To edit a Decision Step:

1. Right-click a Decision Step and select *Edit Step*.



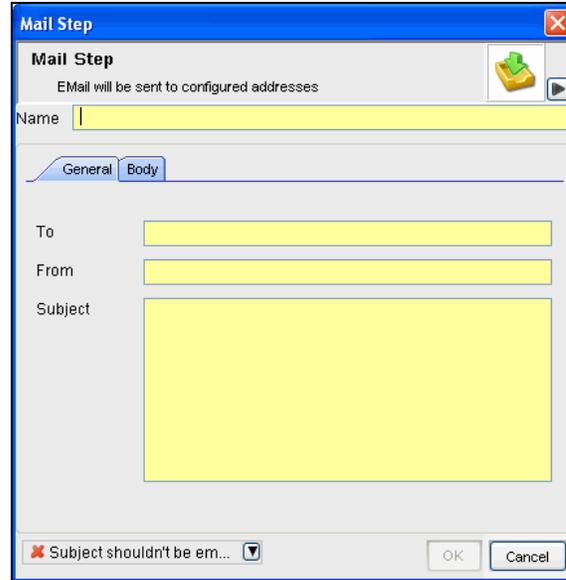
*Figure 5-12: Decision Step window*

2. Provide Name.

3. Click *Description* tab to provide description for this step.
4. Click *OK*

To edit a Mail Step:

1. Right-click a Mail Step and select *Edit Step*.

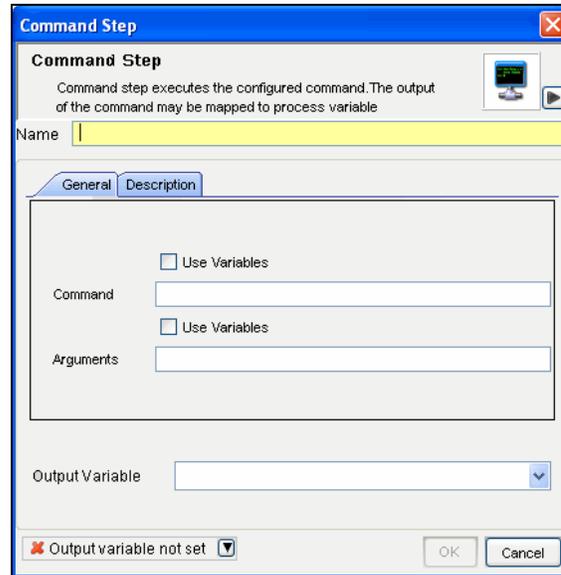


**Figure 5-13:** Mail Step window

2. Provide Name for the step.
3. Provide *To* and *From* mail addresses and *Subject* in the *General* Tab.
4. Click *Body* tab and type the message.
5. Click *OK*.

To edit a Command Step:

1. Right-click a Command Step and select *Edit Step*.



**Figure 5-14:** Command Step window

2. Provide a Name for this step.
3. Specify the path and name of the command or script to execute (relative to the \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec or %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec directory)
4. If you want to run a command or script referenced in a variable that gets populated during the workflow process, check the Use Variables box.
5. Specify any command-line arguments to pass to the command or script. If you want to use the contents of a variable that gets populated during the workflow process, check the Use Variables box.
6. Specify a variable to hold output from the command or script. Any standard output is placed into these variables.
7. Click *Description* tab to provide description for this step.
8. Click *OK*.

## Deleting Steps

To delete a Step:

1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the Navigator, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*. *iTRAC Process Builder* window displays.
4. Select an existing step, right-click, and select *Delete Step*.
5. In the *Alert Message* window, select *Yes* to delete.

## Transitions

Transitions are used to connect steps. There are several types of transitions:

- Unconditional
- Conditional
- Timeout
- Alert
- Else
- Error

A Transition can have the following attributes:

- Name
- Description
- Destination: Step to which the transition links
- Expression
- Timeout Values

Different steps have different properties and therefore they are associated with different transition types.

Step Type	Valid Transitions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Decision</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Conditional</li> <li>▪ Else</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Manual</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Unconditional</li> <li>▪ Timeout</li> <li>▪ Alert</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Command</li> <li>▪ Mail</li> <li>▪ Activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Unconditional</li> <li>▪ Timeout</li> <li>▪ Alert</li> <li>▪ Error</li> </ul>

*Table 5-5: Steps and Valid Transitions*

## Unconditional Transitions

An unconditional transition must always be used from a Start step. Manual, Command, Activity, and Mail Steps can also have unconditional transitions. The only parameter for an unconditional transition is the next step.

This path is taken when the current step is completed (unless a timeout transition is configured and the timeout period elapses).

To add an Unconditional Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.
3. Specify a name for the transition.
4. Select the Transition type *Unconditional* from the list.

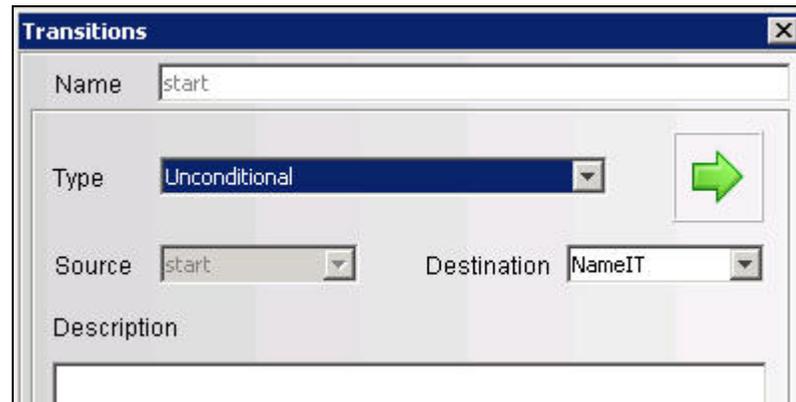


Figure 5-15: Transitions window

5. Click the down arrow for the *Destination* field and select a step.



Figure 5-16: Destination field

6. Provide a description for this transition and click *OK*.

## Conditional Transitions

Select an exit path based on an expression using iTRAC variables set in a Manual or Command step.

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**NOTE:** You can add Conditional Transitions only from a Decision Step to any other step.

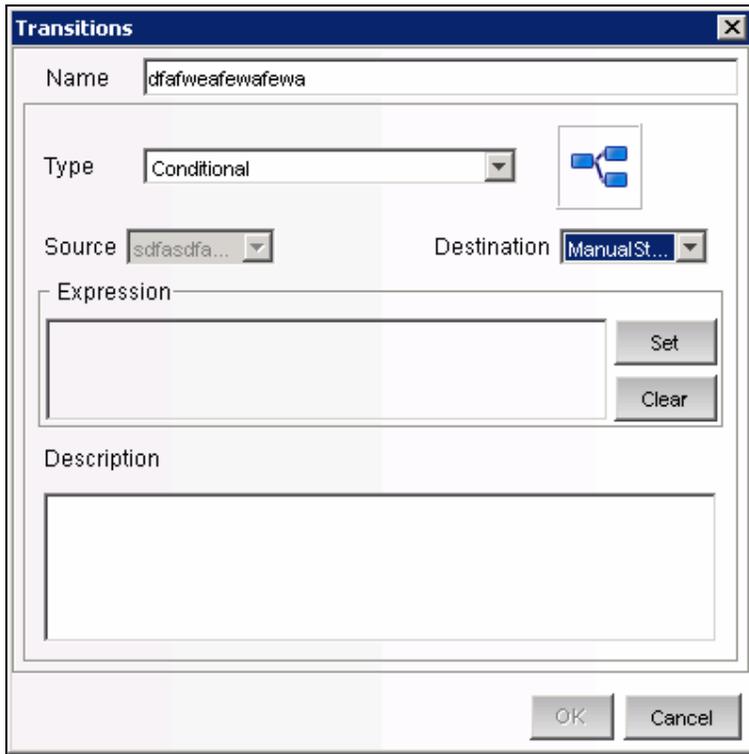
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When creating a Conditional Transition, the conditional expressions can be based on comparing a variable that is populated during the workflow process to a specific value or to another variable populated during the workflow process. Multiple conditional expressions can be combined or nested using the AND and OR operator.

To add a Conditional Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing Decision step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.

3. Provide a name for the transition.
4. Select the Transition type *Conditional* from the list.



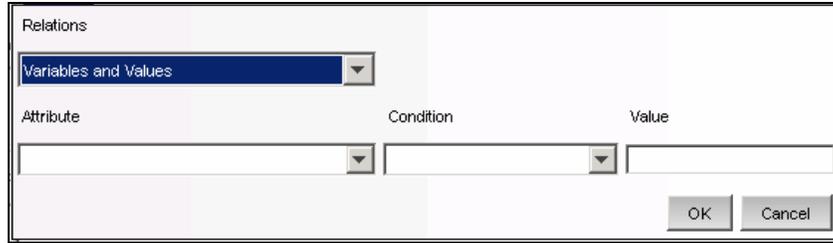
**Figure 5-17:** Transitions window

5. Specify the destination Step.
6. Click *Set* to add an expression. The empty *Expression* window displays.



**Figure 5-18:** Expression window

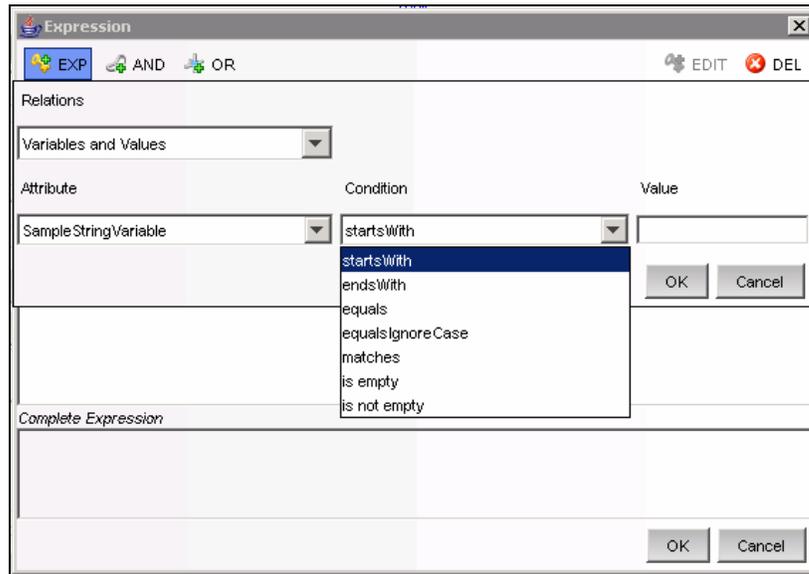
7. Click *EXP* to add the first expression. The evaluation expression is an expression that evaluates to TRUE or FALSE during the workflow process. Select the appropriate dropdown under *Relations* to compare a variable to a constant value (Variables and Values) or to another variable (Variables and Variables).



**Figure 5-19: Selection Relations Type**

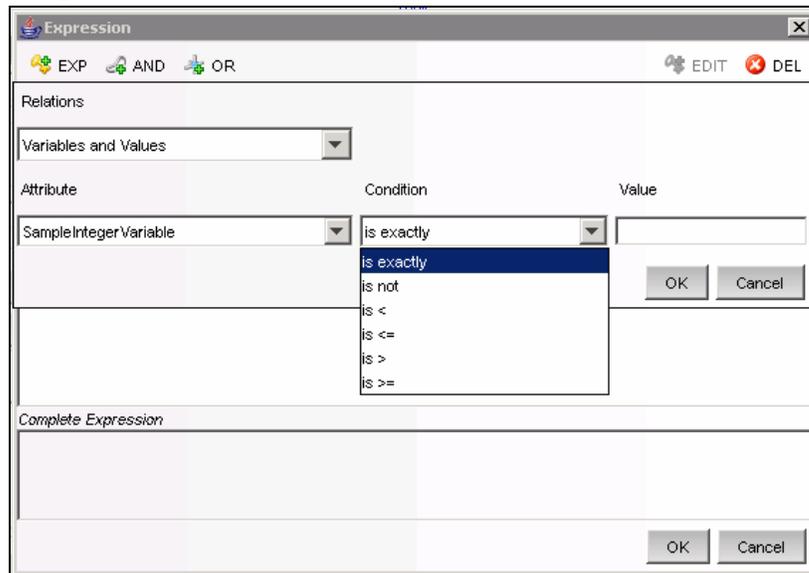
8. Select a variable from the *Attribute* dropdown or add a new one if desired.
9. Select a condition from the *Condition* dropdown. The condition list varies depending on the type of Attribute variable chosen.

**String Variable Conditions:**



**Figure 5-20: String Variable Conditions**

**Integer and Float Variable Conditions:**



**Figure 5-21: Integer and Float Variable Conditions**

### Boolean Variable Conditions:

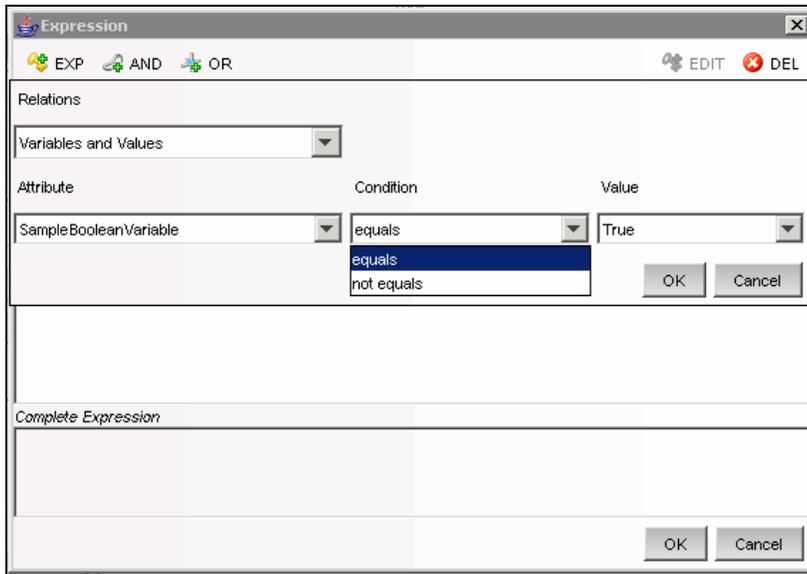
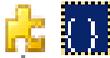


Figure 5-22: Boolean Variable Conditions

10. Set the Value.
11. Click *OK*.
12. If a second expression is desired, highlight the root folder.



13. Repeat steps 7-12 as needed.
14. By default, all expressions at the root level is separated by AND operators. To nest expressions or to use the OR operator, click the appropriate operator button and drag and drop expressions onto that operator.

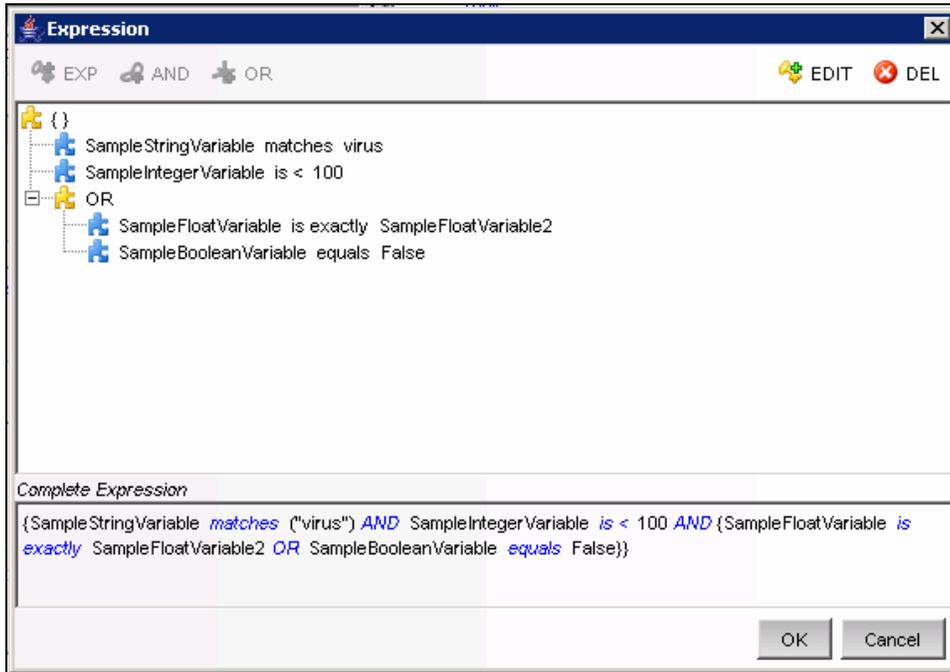


Figure 5-23: Furnished Expression

15. When the expression is complete, click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** You can edit/delete an existing expression using the *Edit* and *Delete* buttons in the *Expression* window.

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16. Click *OK*. The expressions you provided displays in *Transition* window under *Expression* section.
17. Provide a description for your transition and click *OK*.

## Else Transitions

An Else transition leads to a path that is taken from a Decision Step when the criteria for the Conditional transitions are not met. This transition only applies to Decision Steps, and every Decision Step must have an Else transition. The workflow path with the Else transition is only followed if none of the criteria for the Conditional transitions is met.

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**NOTE:** You can add Else Transitions only from a Decision Step to any other step.

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To add an Else Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing Decision step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.
3. Select the Transition type *Else* from the list.
4. Specify the destination Step.
5. Provide a description for this step and click *OK*.

## Timeout Transitions

A Timeout transition leads to a path that is taken when a user-specified amount of time (minutes, hours or days) elapses after a Base Time, which is either *step\_activated\_time* or *step\_accepted\_time*. *Step\_activated\_time* is the time that iTRAC activates this step within the workflow process. *Step\_accepted\_time* is the time when a user accepts (or takes ownership) of the worklist item for this step. If the timeout time period passes without the step being completed, control moves to the next step.

Timeout transitions can be set for a Manual Step or a Command Step. *Step\_accepted\_time* is only relevant for Manual Steps and should not be selected for a Command Step.

This transition is represented by a red line.

To add a Timeout Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing Decision step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.
3. Select the Transition type *Timeout* from the list.
4. Specify the destination Step.
5. Click *Set* to specify the Timeout details. *Timeout details* window displays.
6. Specify the timeout value in minutes, hours, or days. Click *OK*.
7. Select *Base Time*.
8. Provide a description for your transition and click *OK*.

## Alert Transitions

An Alert transition leads to a path that is taken when a user-specified amount of time (minutes, hours or days) elapses after *step\_activated\_time* or *step\_accepted\_time*. At this point, the workflow process is usually escalated to a user who can intervene and take action.

*Step\_activated\_time* is the time that iTRAC activates this step within the workflow process. *Step\_accepted\_time* is the time when a user accepts (or takes ownership) of the worklist item for this step.

If the alert time period passes without the step being completed, the workflow process branches into two active paths. The original step remains active for user intervention. The alert path is also initiated. For example, the alert path might escalate the workflow process to the attention of a supervisor, although the main path is still open and the original owner still has the option to complete the worklist item. Another example is that if a command is taking too long to run, you might want to alert an analyst to investigate the delay or possibly run the command manually.

Alert transitions can be set for a Manual Step or a Command Step. *Step\_accepted\_time* is only relevant for Manual Steps and should not be selected for a Command Step.

This transition is represented by a yellow line.

To add an Alert Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing Decision step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.
3. Select the Transition type *Alert* from the list.
4. Specify the destination Step.
5. Click *Set* to provide the Alert details. *Alert details* window displays.
6. Specify the *Alert Time* value, in minutes, hours, or days. Click *OK*.
7. Provide a description for your transition and click *OK*.

## Error Transition

An Error transition leads to a path that is taken if an automated step cannot successfully complete. Error transitions can be used for Command, Mail, and Activity Steps (for example, if a Command Step fails to execute).

Error Transitions should typically lead to some kind of notification. For example, an Error Transition might lead to a Manual Step in which the user is instructed to manually run a process that previously failed.

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**NOTE:** The Error transition is only taken if the iTRAC call to the Command, Mail, or Activity Step fails. If there is an internal error with the Command script or the mail server fails, this does not satisfy the conditions for an Error transition.

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Only the destination Step can be specified, along with a description.

To add an Error Transition:

1. Open the *Process Builder*.
2. Select an existing Decision step, right-click and select *Add Transition*.
3. Select the Transition type *Error* from the list.
4. Specify the destination Step.

5. Provide a description for this step and click *OK*.

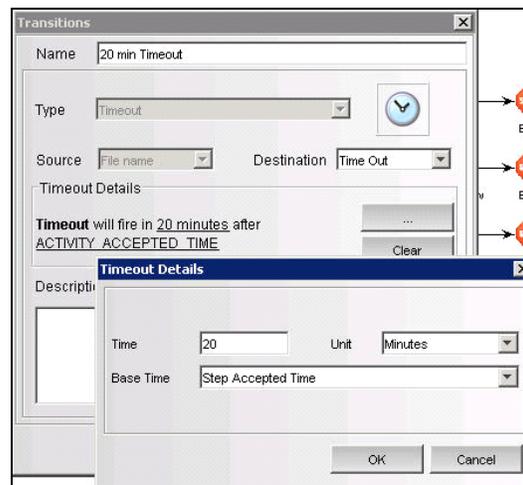
## Managing Transitions

After creating a transition, you can edit or delete the transition.

### Modifying Transitions

To edit a Transition:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*. *iTRAC Process Builder* window displays.
4. Double-click an existing transition line. The *Transitions* window displays.
5. Edit the transition as needed.
6. If you are editing an expression from a decision step, click ... button and double-click the expression.



**Figure 5-24:** Timeout Details window

7. Edit as needed.
8. Click *OK* until you exit the *Transitions* window.
9. Click *Save*.

### Deleting Transitions

To Delete a Transition:

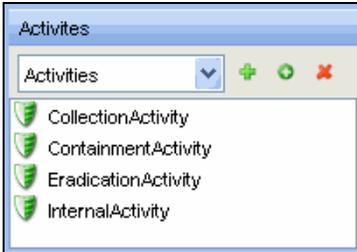
1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. Highlight an existing template, click *View/Edit*. *iTRAC Process Builder* window displays.
4. Select an existing step, right-click, and select *Remove Transition*.
5. In the *Alert Message* window, click *Yes*.

## Activities

An Activity is very similar to a Command Step, except that Activities are reusable and cannot use input or output variables. The Activities pane shows a library of user-defined,

reusable Activities that can reduce the amount of configuration necessary when building Templates.

Activities are exported or imported as xml files. These files can be exported or imported from one system to another.



*Figure 5-25: Activity Pane*

Sentinel provides three types of actions that can be used to build Activities:

- Incident Command Activity
- Incident Internal Activity
- Incident Composite Activity

## Incident Command Activity

An Incident Command Activity enables you to launch a specific command with or without arguments. The following fields from the incident associated with the workflow process can be used as input to the command:

- DIP [Destination IP]
- SIP [Source IP]
- DIP:Port
- SIP:Port
- RT1 (DeviceAttackName)
- Text (incident information in name value pair format)

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**NOTE:** The command (or a batch file or script that refers to the command) must be stored in the %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec or \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec directory on the iTRAC workflow server, usually the same machine where the Data Access Server (DAS) is installed.

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## Incident Internal Activity

An Incident Internal Activity enables you to mail and/or attach information from the Sentinel database to the incident associated with the workflow process. Each of these options has a prerequisite:

- **Vulnerability for the Source IP address (SIP) or the Destination IP address (DIP):** This requires that you run a vulnerability scanner and bring the results of the scan into Sentinel using a Vulnerability (or “information”) Collector
- **Advisor attack-related data:** This requires the purchase and installation of the optional Advisor data subscription service.
- **Asset data:** This requires that you run an asset management tool such as NMAP and bring the results into Sentinel using an Asset Collector.

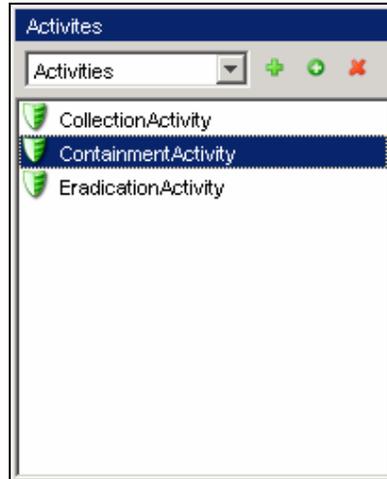
## Incident Composite Activity

An Incident Composite Activity enables combine one or more existing Command and Internal activities.

## Creating Activities

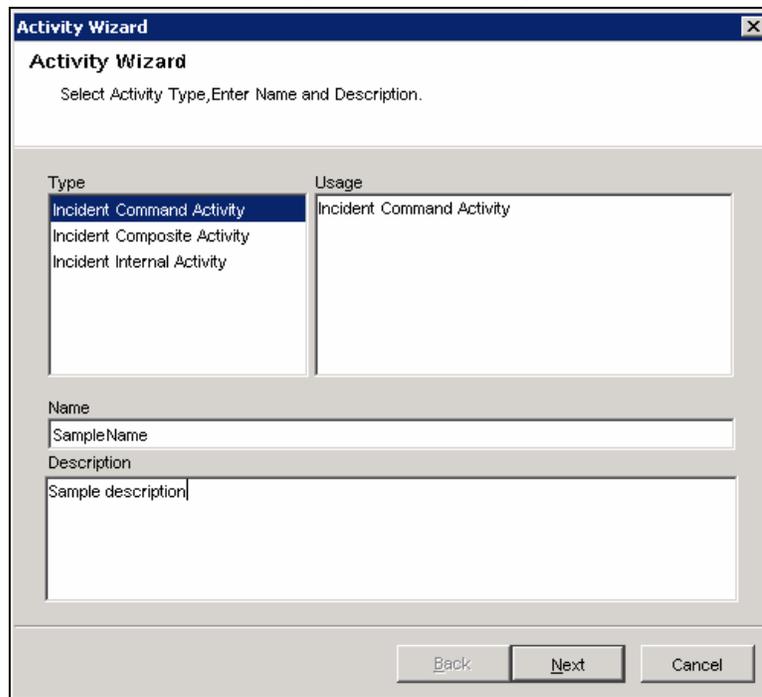
To create an Activity:

1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the Navigator, click *iTRAC Administration > Activity Manager* or click the *Add* button in the *Activity* Pane.



*Figure 5-26: Activity Pane*

3. Highlight an existing activity and click > *Add* button. *Activity Wizard* window displays.
4. Select an Activity type: *Command*, *Internal*, or *Composite*.
5. Provide a name and description for this activity. Click *Next*.



*Figure 5-27: Activity Wizard- Activity Wizard*

6. Configure the necessary settings for the type of activity you chose.
  - **Incident Command Activity**

- In the Command Arguments Wizard, specify the Command.
- Provide the Arguments for this command. You can select *None*, *Incident Output* (Values from the Drop-down list), or provide *Custom* values.

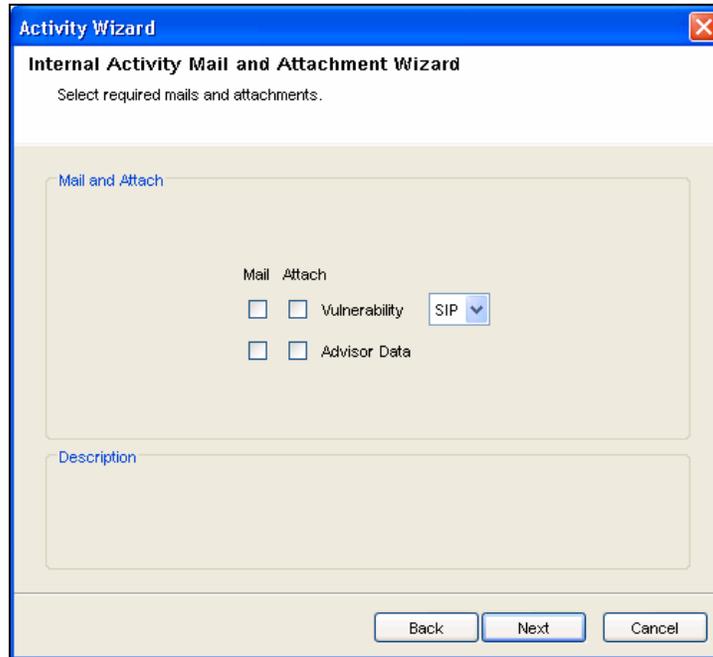
**Figure 5-28:** Activity Wizard- Command Arguments Wizard

- Click *Next*.
- You can configure an Incident Command Activity to email the output to a specific address and/or attach the output to the incident associated with the workflow process in this window.
- Select *Mail* and specify the *To* and *From* email address and *Subject*.

**Figure 5-29:** Activity Wizard- Command Activity Mail and Attachment Wizard

- Select *Attach to Incident*, if required.
- Click *Next*.

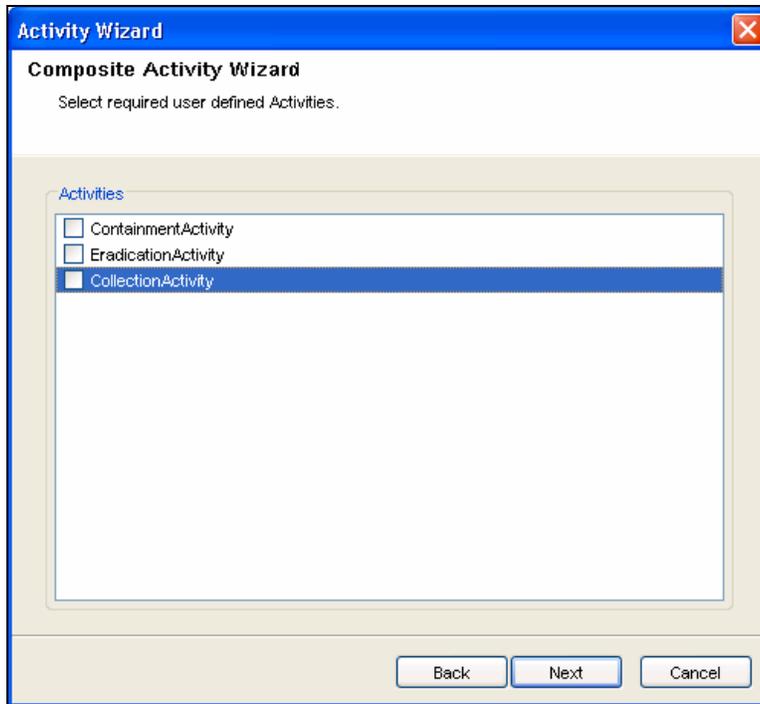
- View and confirm the details you chose in the Summary page and click *Finish*.
- **Incident Internal Activity**
  - In the *Command Arguments* wizard, specify the Command.
  - Provide the Arguments for this command. You can select *None*, *Incident Output* (Values from the Drop-down list), or specify *Custom* values.



**Figure 5-30:** Activity Wizard- Internal Activity Mail and Attachment Wizard

Click *Next*.

- Select your options (Mail and attach).
- If you select *Mail*, you are prompted to provide *To*, *From* email address and *Subject*. Provide this information and click *Next*.
- View and confirm the details you chose in the Summary page and click *Finish*.
- **Incident Composite Activity**
  - Select the activities from the list of available activities and click *Next*.



*Figure 5-31: Activity Wizard- Composite Activity Wizard*

View and confirm the details you chose in the Summary page and click *Finish*.

## Managing Activities

After creating an Activity, you can modify, import or export it.

### Modifying Activities

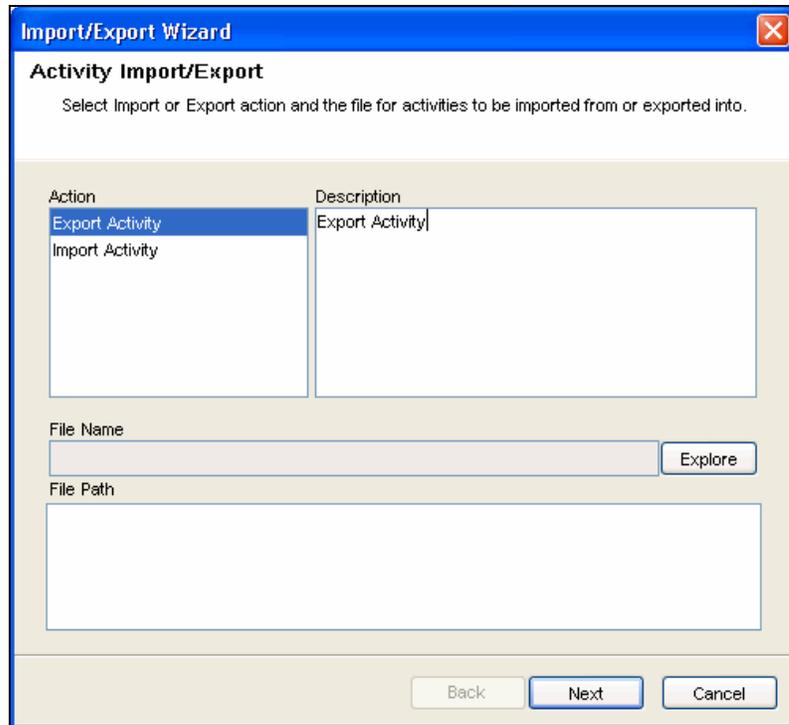
To modify an Activity:

1. Click *the iTRAC tab*.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Activity Manager*.
3. Highlight activity that needs modification and click *View/Edit*. *Edit Activity* window displays.
4. Edit information in *General*, *Arguments* and *Attachment* tabs.
5. Click *OK*.

### Exporting Activities

To export an Activity:

1. Click *iTRAC tab*.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Activity Manager*.
3. Click *Import/Export Activity* icon. *Import/Export Wizard* window displays.



**Figure 5-32:** Activity Wizard- Activity Import/Export

4. Select *Export Activity* and click *Explore*.
5. Navigate to where you want save your exported file.
6. Click *Next*.
7. Select one or more activities to be exported.
8. Click *Next* and click *Finish*.

## Importing Activities

To import an Activity:

1. Click *iTRAC tab*.
2. In the *Navigator*, click *iTRAC Administration > Activity Manager*.
3. Click *Import/Export Activity icon* . *Import/Export Wizard* window displays.
4. Select *Import Activity* and click *Explore*.
5. Navigate to your import file. Click *Import*.
6. Click *Next*. You will see a list of activities that are imported.
7. Click *Next* and click *Finish*.

## Process Management

*Process Management* allows you to view the incident's progress in the workflow or terminate a workflow process. Process Management allows you to:

- Display Status of your Process
- Start your Process
- Terminate your Process

Process Execution is the time period during which the process is operational, with process instances being created and managed.

When an iTRAC process is executed or instantiated in the iTRAC server, a process instance is created, managed and eventually terminated by the iTRAC server in accordance with the process definition. As the process progresses towards completion or termination it executes various activities defined in the workflow template based on the criteria for the transitions between them. The iTRAC workflow server processes Manual and Automatic Steps differently.

An iTRAC process must be created with a single associated incident; there is therefore a one-to-one match between iTRAC processes and incidents. Not all incidents are necessarily attached to processes, however.

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**NOTE:** Only one incident can be associated to an iTRAC process instance.

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## Instantiating a Process

An iTRAC process can be instantiated in the iTRAC server by associating an incident to an iTRAC process by the following three methods

- Associate an iTRAC process to the incident at the time of incident creation
- Associate an iTRAC process to incident after an incident has been created
- Associate an iTRAC process to an incident through correlation

For more information on associating a process to an incident, see “[Incidents Tab](#)” section.

## Automatic Step Execution

When the process instance executes an automatic Activity Step, Command Step, or Mail Step, it executes the associated Activity or command defined in the Template, and stores the result in process variables. It then transitions to the next Step in the iTRAC template.

For example, an Activity might be defined to ping a server; when this Activity is executed in a workflow process the Activity runs and attach the results to the associated incident.

## Manual Step Execution

On encountering a Manual Step, the iTRAC server sends out notifications in the form of work items to the assigned resource. If the Step was assigned to a role then a work item is sent to all users within the role. The iTRAC server then waits for the user to complete the work item before proceeding to the next activity.

For more information, see “[Work Item Summary](#)” section.

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**NOTE:** All Manual Steps must be assigned to a Role, or group of users.

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## Display Status

The Display Status function is to monitor the progress of a process. As the process instance progresses from one activity the user might track the progress visually by clicking on the *Refresh* button, the process monitor also provides an audit trail of all the actions performed by the iTRAC server when executing the process.

	State	Process Definition ...	Incident Owner	Incident Id	Last Update Time
WFERuntimeProcess					
ActivityStep					
CommandStep					
COMmand	terminated	CommandStep		242	12/11/2006 12:09:24
COMmand	terminated	CommandStep		243	12/11/2006 12:09:23
Expression_Boolean					
TestIncident	running	Expression_Boolean		501	12/15/2006 12:22:02
569807	running	Expression_Boolean		401	12/15/2006 11:19:40
10.45 AM	completed	Expression_Boolean		360	12/15/2006 10:51:44
EC 13	completed	Expression_Boolean		333	12/14/2006 12:42:28
EC 12	completed	Expression_Boolean		332	12/14/2006 12:40:32
EC 11	completed	Expression_Boolean		331	12/14/2006 12:36:55
Expression_Check					

Figure 5-33: All Processes window

Activities that are running are represented by and those completed by and terminated by icons.

## Displaying Status of a Process

To display Status:

1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. Click *Display Process Manager* icon.



3. Click down-arrow on the *Switch Views* button to select a view or create a new view.
4. In the *Process Manager* window, highlight and right-click a process and select *Actions > Display Status*.

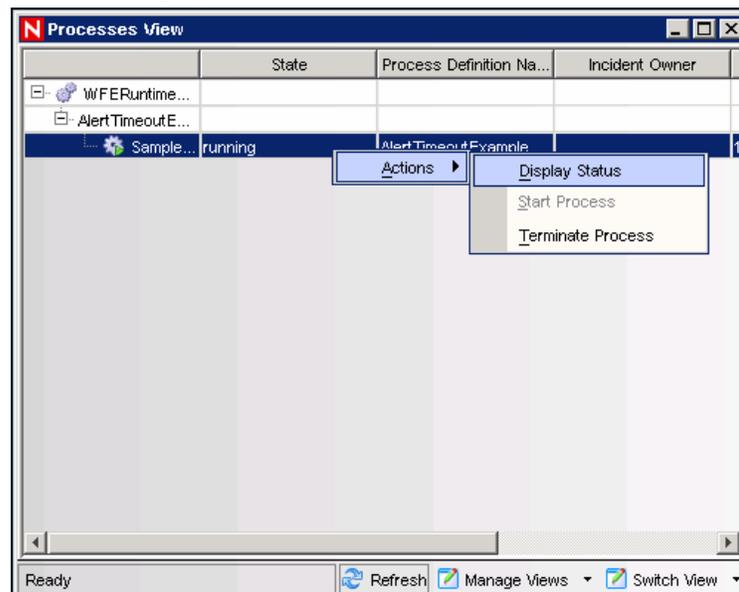


Figure 5-34: Processes View window

5. The current step is highlighted in red.

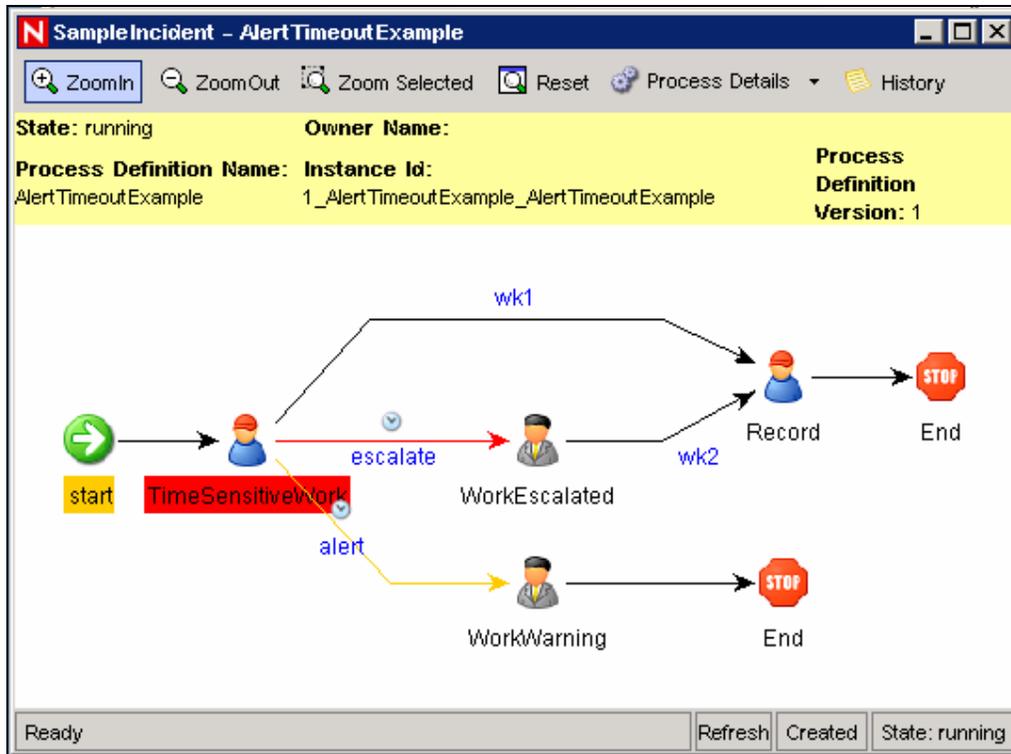


Figure 5-35: Workflow Process

- To close, click X in the upper right corner.

## Changing Views in Process Manager

To Change the View in the Process View Manager:

- Click *iTRAC* tab.
  - Click *Display Process Manager* icon.
  - Click the drop down list in *Manage View* and select *Edit Current View* option.
  - In *View Option* window you can also set your:
    - Fields
    - Group by
    - Sort
    - Filter
    - Tree Display
- Click *Apply* and *Save*

The following is view with Tree Display set to Status (running and not started).

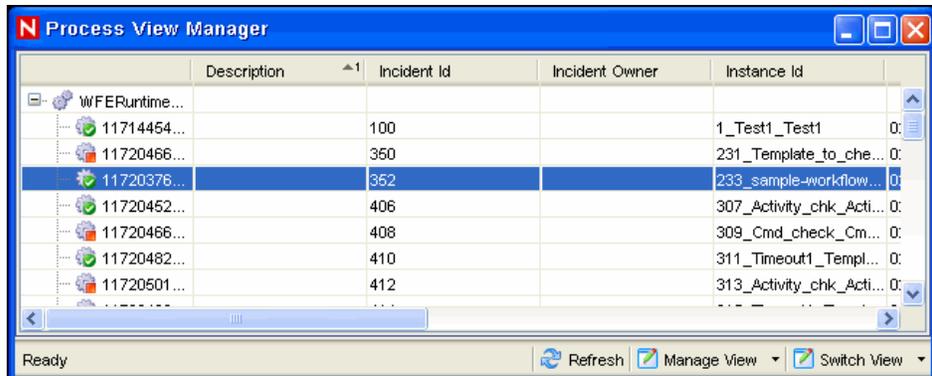


Figure 5-36: Process View Manager

## Starting or Terminating a Process

To Start or Terminate a Process:

1. Click *iTRAC* tab.
2. Click *Display Process Manager* icon



Alternatively, you can select *iTRAC > Display Process Manager*.

3. Click drop down arrow on the *Switch Views* button to select a view or create a new view.
4. In the *Process View Manager* window, highlight a process, right-click and select *Actions > Start Process* or *Terminate Process*.

# 6 Work Items

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## Understanding Work Items

A Work Item is a workflow task assigned to a particular user or role in the iTRAC application. The individual activities to be performed to complete an iTRAC process are listed as work items in Work Item Summary in the Sentinel Control Center. For more information on iTRAC processes, see “**iTRAC Workflows**” section. You can access the work items from any tab in the Sentinel Control Center.

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**NOTE:** To have access to a work item, you must assign it to you or acquire the work item management permissions. If you have Work Item management permission, you can manage work items of other users.

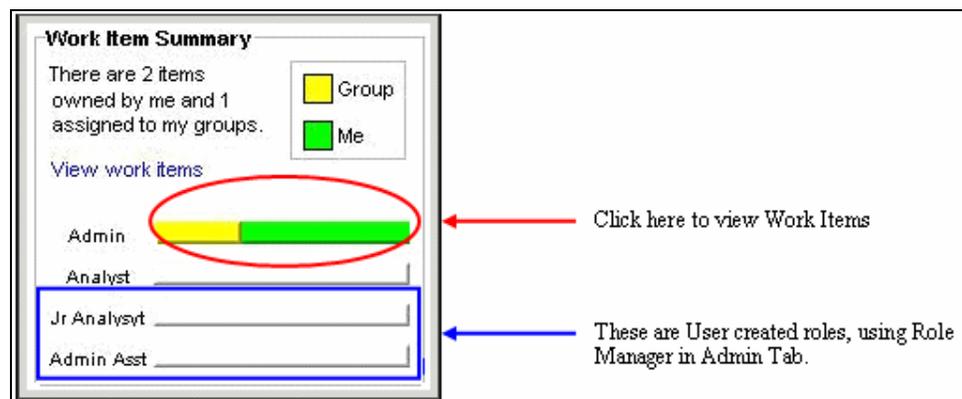
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## Work Item Summary

The Work Item Summary lists the work items allocated to a user as an individual and as a member of a group; it can be referred as an incident workflow to-do list for a user who is a part of the Incident response process. In the Work Item Summary, you can access the work items and:

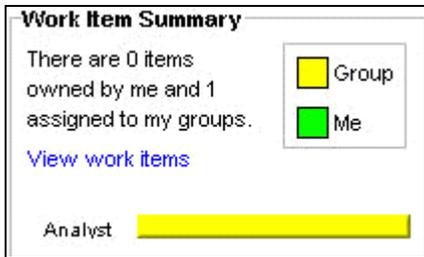
- View the details of a work item
- Process the work item to complete the task

In the Work Item Summary, work items are grouped by current user and by other users with similar role. The following example is for a user who is a member of the Admin, Analyst, Jr Analyst and Admin Asst group.



**Figure 6-1:** Work Item Summary

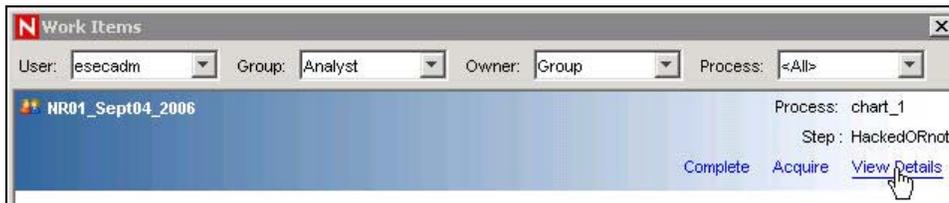
The following is an example of a user who is a member of the Analyst group who has a process assigned to his role (group).



**Figure 6-2 : Work Item Summary-Example**

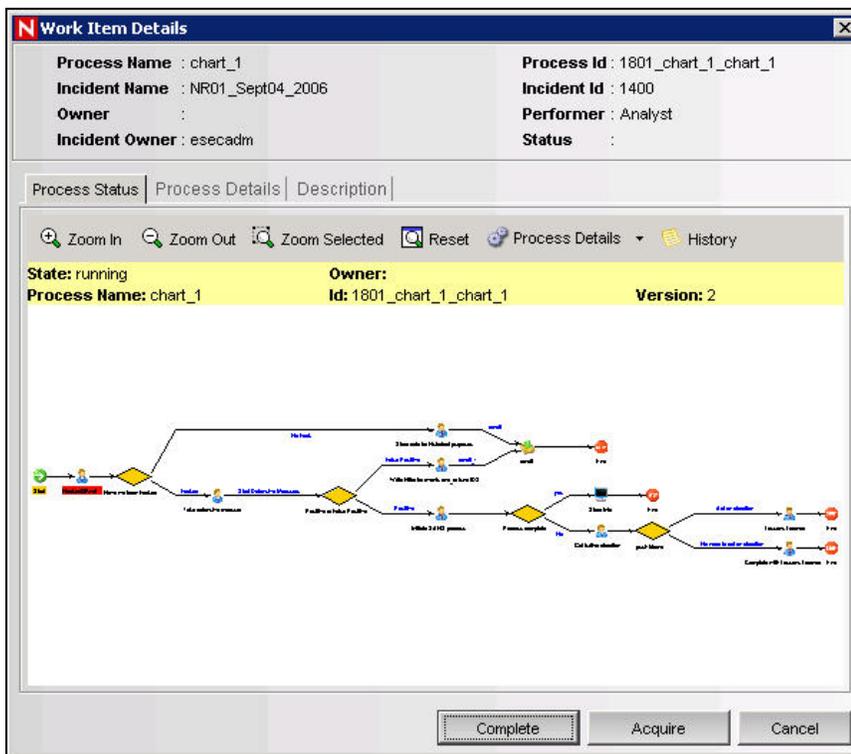
To access a Work Item:

1. In the *Work Item Summary*, click the yellow or green bar. A work item list for the group or the current user displays.



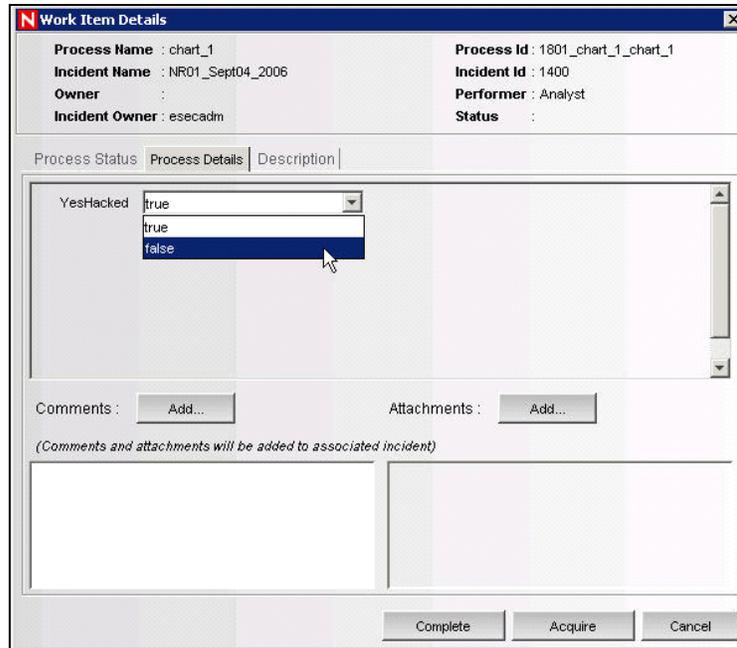
**Figure 6-3: Work Items window**

2. Select *Work Item* and click *View Details*. *Work Item Details* window displays.



**Figure 6-4: Work Item details window-Process Status tab**

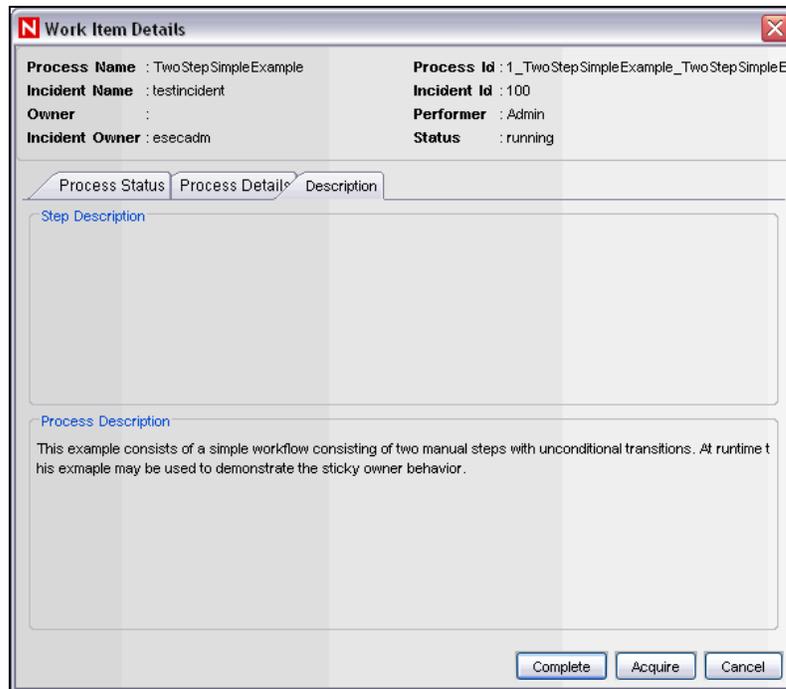
3. The *Process Status* tab in this window displays the Work flow. Click *Process Details* tab to view the process details.



**Figure 6-5:** Work Item details window-Process Details tab

You can also add comment and attachments to the process. Attachments appear in the Incidents tab.

The *Description* Tab displays the Step Description and Process Description you provided when creating workflow in iTRAC. For more information on iTRAC processes, see “iTRAC Workflows” section.



**Figure 6-6:** Work Item details window-Description tab

## Processing a Work Item

A Work Item can be run under any tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

- You can still process a Work Item in a group even if you have login as a different user. However you cannot acquire a step if you have login as a different user.
- The Work Item remains with the user of a group who have acquired it.
- If a single of succession of steps are with a user followed by a step of another group and returns back to the original role, the step does not revert to the user. It is assigned to the group.

The two stages of processing a work item are

- Accepting a work item
- Completing a work item

## Accepting a Work Item

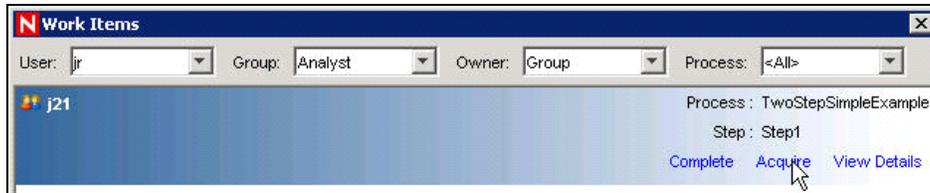
To accept Work items:

1. In the *Work Item Summary*, click the yellow or green bar. A work item list for the group or the current user displays.



**Figure 6-7:** Work Item window

2. To assign an iTRAC process to you, high-light the process and click *Acquire*.



**Figure 6-8:** Work Item window-Acquire

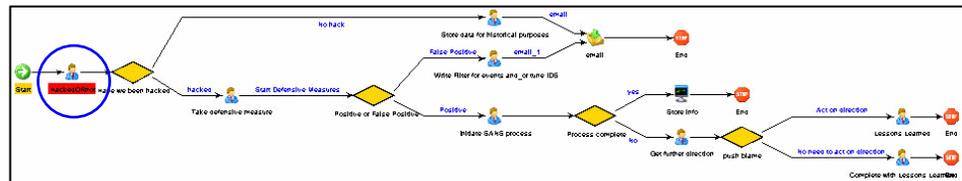
The Work Item Summary changes from yellow to green.

Work item assigned to a group (role)	<p><b>Work Item Summary</b></p> <p>There are 0 items owned by me and 1 assigned to my groups.</p> <p><a href="#">View work items</a></p> <p>Analyst <span style="background-color: yellow; display: inline-block; width: 50px; height: 10px;"></span></p>
Work item assigned to the user under the Analyst role.	<p><b>Work Item Summary</b></p> <p>There is 1 item owned by me and 0 assigned to my groups.</p> <p><a href="#">View work items</a></p> <p>Analyst <span style="background-color: green; display: inline-block; width: 50px; height: 10px;"></span></p>

**Table 6-1:** Work Item Summary

**NOTE:** When acquiring (accepting) a process, all other users in the same role you are in, no longer see the process. You can place the process back to the group by clicking *Release*.

3. Click *View Details*.
4. The current step within a Work Item is high-lighted in red.



**Figure 6-9:** Workflow

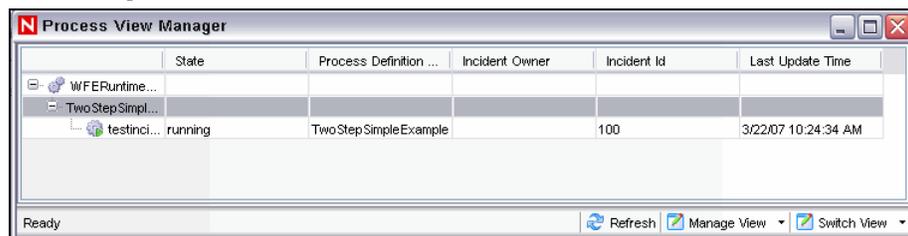
5. To take action on the step, click the *Process Details* tab.  
In the case of a manual step and depending on the type of variable (Integer, String, Boolean and Float) assigned to that step, click the down arrow and select a decision. If needed, you can add comments or add an attachment.  
In all other cases, the steps are automatic.
6. When running a process, if the process disappears that means that it changed groups.
7. Click *Complete* to complete the process.

## Completing the Work Item

Completing the work item signals the completion of the task to the iTRAC server. The updateable variables from the work item are processed by the server to move to the next activity based on some criteria. The work item is removed from the worklist. A work item has to be acquired before it can be completed.

To complete Work Items:

1. Click *View work items* link in *Work Item Summary* pane. *Work Items* window displays.
2. Click *Complete*.



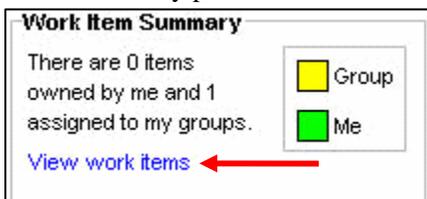
**Figure 6-10:** Process View Manager

## Manage Work Items Of Other Users

The Administration function allows an administrative user to release a Work Item from a specific user back to everyone in a role. This is beneficial in the event that a Work Item is in already in process but the assigned user cannot complete the work.

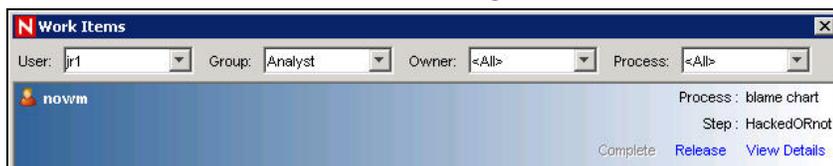
To release a Work Item back to a role (Admin):

1. Login into Sentinel as a user with *iTRAC – Manage Work Items Of Other Users* user rights.
2. In the Summary pane, click *View work items*.



**Figure 6-11:** Work Item Summary

3. In the *Work Items* window, set the following:



**Figure 6-12:** Work Item window

- **User:** Name of the user that has acquired the process
- **Group:** Name of the Group that the user belongs to. In the above example, the user belongs to the Analyst group.
- **Owner:** Select either *<All>* (all processes acquired or not), *me* (acquired processes) or *Group* (un-acquired processes).
- **Process:** Name of the process.

In the above example, all processes acquired by jr1, who belongs to Group Analyst, with all processes listed.

4. To release the Work Item, high light the *Work item* and click *Release*. *Release* changes to *Acquire* (not available).

In this example, only a member of the Analyst group can acquire this Work Item.

# 7

## Analysis Tab

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### Understanding Analysis

The *Analysis* tab allows historical reporting. Historical and vulnerability reports are published on a Web Server, these run directly against the database and they appear on the *Analysis* and *Advisor* tabs on the *Navigator* pane.

*Analysis* tab also provides Offline Query and Crystal reports to view pre-defined reports. In Offline Query you can save and generate the queries offline. This helps in optimizing network usage as it relieves network from heavy processing when similar queries are triggered. Offline Query helps you in ad hoc reporting and with Crystal Report you can view predefined reports. You can also customize reports to meet your requirements.

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**NOTE:** Sentinel is integrated with Crystal Reports® to generate and display reports. The administrator must configure the location of the Crystal Enterprise Server that publishes reports in the *Reporting Configuration* window of the *Admin* tab. The *Navigator* window on the *Analysis* tab shows a list of available reports.

In order to run the report templates, you must have Crystal Reports Enterprise Edition installed and your Sentinel Control Center configured to access that server. For more information, see [Crystal Reports for Windows or Crystal Reports for Linux](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.

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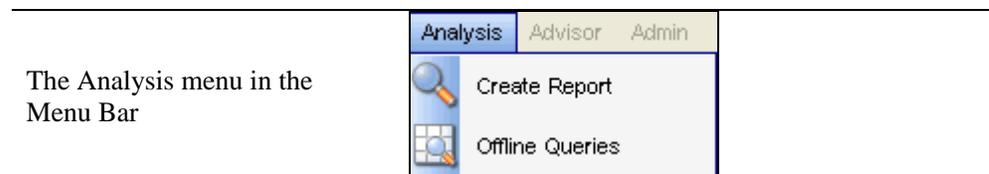
**NOTE:** You must have proper permissions to use *Analysis* tab. If this permission is not assigned, *Analysis* tab is not displayed.

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### Introduction to the User Interface

In Analysis, you can see the *Create Reports* and *Offline Queries* options.

You can navigate to these functions from:



The Navigation Tree in the Navigation Pane	
The Toolbar Buttons	

**Table 7-1:** Analysis Tab -User Interface

## Top Ten Reports

The following are the Top 10 reports which are available in Sentinel 6:

- Top 10 Correlation Rules Triggered
- Top 10 Destination Host Names
- Top 10 Destination IP Addresses
- Top 10 Destination Port Numbers
- Top 10 Destination User Names
- Top 10 Destination Event Names
- Top 10 Destination Source Host Names
- Top 10 Destination Source IP Addresses
- Top 10 Destination Source to Destination IP Pairs
- Top 10 Destination Source User Names
- Top 10 Virus Names
- Event Count by Top 10 Assets
- Event Count by Top 10 Departments
- Event Count by Top 10 Taxonomy Level
- Incidents by Top 10 Assets
- Incidents by Top 10 Users

The Top 10 reports are enabled by default, and the following summaries are turned on to enable the Top 10 reports:

- EventDestSummary
- EventSevSummary
- EventSrcSummary

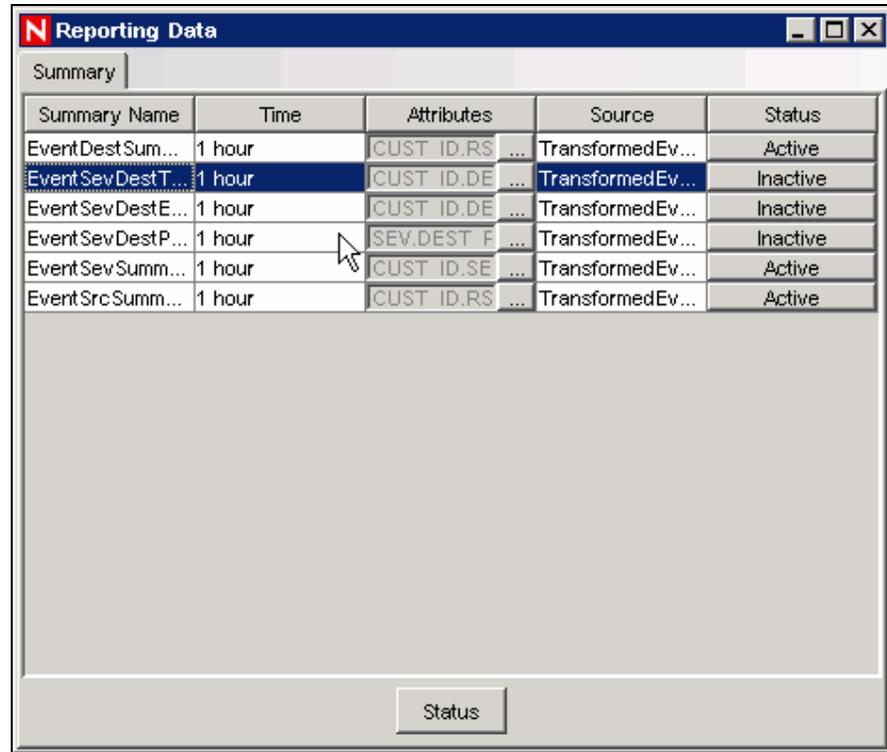
If Top 10 reports are not needed, you can disable these summaries, or you can enable additional summaries in order to use them for reporting. If the summary service is not in use, you can disable it.

To enable/disable Aggregation:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, go to *Admin > Server Views*.
2. Right-click *DAS Aggregation* and select *Start/Stop* to enable/disable Aggregation.

To enable/disable summaries:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, go to *Admin > Reporting Data*.
2. Highlight the Summary to enable/disable and click the status (*Active/Inactive*) of that summary.



*Figure 7-1: Reporting Data window*

3. Select *Yes* to confirm that you want to change the status of the summary.

To enable or disable EventFileRedirectService:

1. At your DAS machine, using text editor, open:

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/config/das_binary.xml
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\config\das_binary.xml
```

2. For EventFileRedirectService, change the status to on or off, as appropriate. For example:

```
<property name="status">off</property>
```

3. Log into the Sentinel Control Center as the Sentinel Administrator.
4. Go to *Admin > Servers View*.

	Starts	Auto Restarts	Start Time
ProcessHealth			
cswitt-desktop			
Collector_Manager	1	0	5/14/07 3:09:00
Correlation_Engine	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
DAS_Aggregation	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
DAS_Binary	2	0	5/17/07 9:00:00
DAS_Proxy	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
DAS_Query	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
DAS_RT	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
DAS_ITRAC	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00
UNIX Communicati...	0	0	
Windows Communi...	1	0	5/14/07 3:08:00

Figure 7-2: Servers View

5. Right-click DAS\_Binary and select *Restart*.

## Running a Report from Crystal Reports

To run a report:

1. Click the *Analysis* tab.
2. In the *Analysis Navigator*, click a report from the available reports.

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**NOTE:** To run any Top 10 reports, aggregation must be enabled and “**EventFileRedirectService**” in DAS\_Binary.xml must be set to on. For information on how to enable aggregation, see **Reporting Data** section in “**Administration Tab**” section.

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3. Click *Analysis > Create Report* or click *Create Report*.



4. Complete the information prompts and click *OK*. The report displays.

## Running an Event Query Report

To create an Event Query report:

1. Click the *Analysis* tab.
2. In the *Analysis Navigator*, open the *Historical Events* folder.
3. Click *Historical Event Queries*.
4. Click *Analysis > Create Report* or click *Create Report* icon. An *Event Query* window displays.
5. Set the following:
  - time frame
  - filter
  - severity level

- batch size (this is the number of events to view – events display from oldest events to newer events)
6. Click *Begin Searching*.
  7. To view the next batch of events, click *More results* icon.
  8. Rearrange the columns by dragging and dropping them and arrange the sort order by clicking in the column heading.
  9. When your query is complete, it is added to the list of quick queries in the *Navigator*.

## Offline Query

Offline Query is most often used to run queries against large amounts of data. Offline Query will continue to run even after the user logs out of the Sentinel Control Center, if necessary.

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**NOTE:** You can view the result of your query only after it is completely processed.

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After the query has completely finished processing, the results are available to the user who initiated the Offline Query and other Sentinel users with the same security filter. When you attempt to browse or save the result as HTML or CSV, the data is transferred from the server to the local machine running the Sentinel Control Center.

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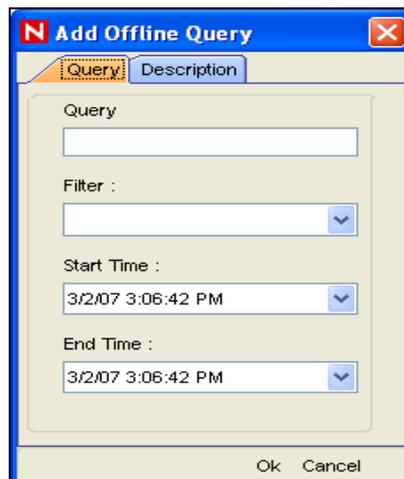
**NOTE:** The Offline Query generates 100000 result sets only. This limitation prevents database and *Active Browser* from slowing down. For better results, you must specify a better filter or a smaller time range when creating an Offline Query.

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## Creating an Offline Query

To create an Offline Query:

1. Click *Analysis* on the Menu Bar. The *Offline Query* window displays. Alternatively, you can click *Offline Query* button on the Tool Bar.
2. In the *Offline Query* window, Click *Add* button located on the top left corner of the screen. The *Add Offline Query* window displays.



**Figure 7-3 :** Add Offline Query window

3. Provide a *Query Name*. Select an existing filter to be used for generation of offline query. For more information on the selection and creation of filters see “**Active Views**” section.
4. Select the *Start Date* and *End Date* for which you want to generate an offline query.
5. Specify the description in the *Description* Tab.
6. Click *OK*. The Offline Query gets listed in the *Offline Query* window.

## Viewing, Exporting or Deleting an Offline Query

To view, export or delete an Offline Query:

1. Click *Analysis* on the Menu Bar. The *Offline Query* window displays. Alternatively, you can click *Offline Query* button on the Tool Bar.
2. In the *Offline Query* window, select an offline query. The following options are available:
  - **Browse:** Click *Browse* to view the output of the *Offline Query* in the *Active Browser* window.
  - **CSV:** Click *CSV* to generate a *Comma Separated Value* file with the queried information.
  - **HTML:** Click *HTML* to generate an *HTML* file with the queried information.
  - **Delete:** Click *Delete* to delete the *Offline Query*. Confirmation message alert displays. Click *Yes* to delete.
  - **Details:** Click *Details* to view the details of the Offline Query as specified when adding the Query.

# 8

## Advisor Usage and Maintenance

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### Understanding Advisor

Advisor is an optional subscription service that provides device-level correlation between real-time events from intrusion detection and prevention systems and enterprise vulnerability scan results. By providing normalized attack information, Advisor acts as an early warning service to detect attacks against vulnerable systems. It also provides associated remediation information.

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**NOTE:** You must also have the optional Advisor license in order to view the tab correctly. Otherwise a notification displays that you are not licensed for Advisor. In addition, access to the *Advisor* tab is controlled by the administrator on a user-by-user basis.

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The Advisor data feed is updated on a regular basis as new attacks and vulnerabilities are reported. It contains two types of data:

- **Alert Data:** Information relating to known security vulnerabilities and threats
- **Attack Data:** Normalization of intrusion detection signatures and vulnerability scanning plug-ins

The following intrusion detection and intrusion prevention systems are supported by Advisor:

- Cisco Secure IDS
- Cisco IOS Firewall
- Enterasys Dragon Host Sensor
- Enterasys Dragon Network Sensor
- Intrusion.com (SecureNet\_Provider)
- ISS BlackICE PC Protection
- ISS RealSecure Desktop
- ISS RealSecure Network
- ISS RealSecure Server Sensor
- ISS RealSecure Guard
- Sourcefire Snort/Phalanx
- Symantec Network Security 4.0 (ManHunt)
- Symantec Intruder Alert
- McAfee IntruShield

The following enterprise vulnerability scanners are supported by Advisor:

- eEYE Retina
- Foundstone Foundscan
- ISS Database Scanner
- ISS Internet Scanner
- ISS System Scanner
- ISS Wireless Scanner
- Nessus
- nCircle IP360
- Qualys QualysGuard

## Installing Advisor

Advisor installation is explained in detail in the Sentinel installation guide. For more information, see [Advisor Configuration](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.

## Viewing Advisor Data

Advisor data can be viewed in two ways: by right-clicking on an event with an attack signature, or by running reports from the *Advisor* tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

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**NOTE:** Until the initial data feed is completely loaded, Advisor will not be fully functional.

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### Viewing Advisor Data using Right-Click Menu Option

To View Advisor Data:

1. You can view using right-click menu options from:
  - Active Views Tab
    - Click *Active Views* tab.
  - Incidents
    - Click *Incidents* tab.
    - In the *Events* tab, the associated events display.
  - Analysis Offline Query
    - a. Click *Analysis* Tab.
    - b. Go to Offline Query and highlight a Query and click *Browse*.
    - c. Event grid displays in *Active Browser*.
  - Analysis Historical Query
    - Click *Analysis* Tab > *Historical Query*.
    - Event Grid displays in the *Query* tab and the *Active Browser Tab*.
2. Select and right-click an event or a set of events from the *Event* Grid.
3. From the right-click menu options, select *Analyze* > *Advisor data*.
4. A new window with Advisor data displays.

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**NOTE:** The right-click function will not be fully operational until the first download of Advisor data has been fully loaded into the database.

**NOTE:** You can analyze Advisor data only if the selected event are from the intrusion detection systems (IDS's) supported by Advisor.

**NOTE:** Data in Advisor database must be up-to-date for accurate results.

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### Running Advisor Reports

To create an Advisor report:

1. Click the *Advisor* tab.
2. In the *Advisor Navigator*, click a report template.
3. Click *Advisor* > *Create Report*.
4. Complete the information in the template and click *View Report*.

## Maintaining Advisor

Several maintenance tasks for Advisor that are described in the Sentinel installation guide:

- Updating Advisor data: To be effective, the Advisor data must be updated on a regular basis as new attacks and vulnerabilities are added to the data feed. The Advisor data feed can be configured to run regularly scheduled updates, or it can be updated manually.
- Changing the password Advisor uses for automatic data updates
- Changing the configuration for Advisor notification emails
- Changing the scheduled update time

### Updating Data in Advisor Tables

The Advisor data feed is updated on a regular basis as new vulnerabilities are reported. It contains two parts:

- **Alert Data:** Information relating to known security vulnerabilities and threats
- **Attack Data:** Normalization of intrusion detection signatures and vulnerability scanning plug-ins

To update Advisor, new datafiles need to be downloaded from Novell's Advisor server and loaded into the Sentinel database on a regular basis. This update process depends on whether Advisor was installed with the Standalone or Direct Internet Download option.

### Advisor Updates with Standalone Installation

If you have selected Standalone Installation of Advisor in the Sentinel installer, follow the procedure given below to update Advisor data manually.

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**NOTE:** Novell recommends that you install the latest service pack for Sentinel. However, if you still use Sentinel 6.0 SP1 or below, the manual update procedures are different. For more information, see “**Advisor Tab**” section. The instructions below apply to Sentinel 6.0 SP2 and above.

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To update Advisor feed manually:

1. Go to the following URL and provide your Novell eLogin username and password.

<https://secure-www.novell.com/sentinel/advisor/advisordata>

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**NOTE:** The Novell eLogin username and password must be associated with the optional Advisor license.

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2. Download the .zip files for all data since the previous download.
3. Place the new feed data files (zip files) on your computer.

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**NOTE:** Do not place the zip file in the attack and alert directories.

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4. Unzip the data feed .zip files to the location specified during install for Advisor data files.
5. Run the following command:

**For Windows:**

```
advisor.bat
```

**For UNIX:**

```
./advisor.sh
```

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**NOTE:** `advisor.sh` and `advisor.bat` updates the database and then deletes the attack and alert files that were unzipped into the attack and alert directories.

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## Advisor Updates with Direct Internet Download Installation

If you select the Direct Internet Download installation of Advisor in the Sentinel installer, data updates will take place automatically on a scheduled basis. However, to force an update, you can use the following procedure.

To update Manual Advisor Feed – Direct Internet Download:

1. Go to the following directory:

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

2. Run the following command:

**For Windows:**

```
advisor.bat
```

**For UNIX:**

```
./advisor.sh
```

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**NOTE:** `advisor.sh` and `advisor.bat` updates the database and then deletes the attack and alert files that were unzipped into the attack and alert directories.

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## Resetting Advisor Password (Direct Download Only)

If you are running Advisor in Direct Download mode and you've obtained a new Advisor password or the Advisor password you set during installation was incorrect, you must update the encrypted Advisor eLogin password stored in Advisor's configuration file. This procedure must also be performed if the `.keystore` file is updated with a new encryption key.

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**NOTE:** This procedure is required if you update Advisor from Sentinel 6.0 SP1 or below to Sentinel 6.0 SP2 or above because of changes in the Advisor authentication.

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There is no need to update the password if you are running Advisor in a Standalone configuration. In this mode, the password is provided manually and not stored in a file.

To reset the password for automatic Advisor downloads:

1. For UNIX, log into the machine where Advisor is installed as the Sentinel Administrator User (`esecadm` by default). For Windows, login as a user with administrative rights.
2. Go to the following location:

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

3. Execute the following command:

**For UNIX:**

```
./adv_change_passwd.sh <newpassword>
```

**For Windows:**

```
adv_change_passwd.bat <newpassword>
```

where <newpassword> is the updated Advisor password.

## Changing the Advisor Email Configuration

If an email server is configured, Advisor sends a notification if there is an error in the data loading process. Depending on the installation settings, Advisor might also send notifications for successful Advisor updates. The “to” and “from” addresses can be changed in the configuration files for Advisor.

To change your Advisor server email configuration:

1. For UNIX, log in as Sentinel Administrator User. For Windows, log in with administrative rights.

2. Go to:

**For UNIX:**

```
$(ESEC_HOME)/config
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\config
```

3. Open `advisor_client.xml` in a text editor and make changes to the highlighted areas shown below in both files.

```
<property
  name="advisor.mail.from">fromNAME@domain.com</pro
  perty>

<property
  name="advisor.mailto.list">toNAME@domain.com</pro
  perty>
```

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**NOTE:** To send messages to more than one address, provide email addresses as comma separated, without spaces.

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## Changing the Scheduled Data Update Time

When installing Advisor in Direct Download mode, the administrator can select to update Advisor on a 6-hour or 12-hour schedule. By default, the data update times are:

- Six Hour: 01:00, 07:00, 13:00 and 19:00
- Twelve Hour: 02:00 and 14:00

To change the Advisor scheduled update times:

1. Login to your Advisor machine (In UNIX, log in as Sentinel Administrator User and in Windows log in with administrative rights.).

2. To edit your data feed times:

**For UNIX:** Use the “crontab” command

**For Windows:** Use the Scheduled Tasks utility under Control Panel to edit the Sentinel\_Advisor task.

# 9

## Event Source Management

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### Understanding Event Source Management

Event Source Management (ESM) panel provides a set of tools to manage and monitor connections between Sentinel and its event sources.

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**NOTE:** You need to have appropriate permissions to access this tab. Only an Administrator has controls to enable/disable access to the ESM panel for a user.

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The Event Source Management tools available in the ESM panel include the following:

- *Graphical* and *Tabular* views of the configuration of connections to event sources with the real-time status of these connections overlaid.
- *Configuration* wizard to assist the user in adding and editing connections to event sources.
- Various other tools that allow the user to investigate the status of connections to event sources, monitor the data flowing through them, and debug Collectors.
- *Export and import configuration* wizards that allow the user to export their configuration to a file and later import it back.

Through ESM, you can:

- Add/edit connections to event sources using *Configuration* wizards.
- View the real-time status of the connections to event sources.
- Import/export configuration of event sources to or from *Live View/Scratchpad*.
- Import/export Connectors and Collectors from or to a centralized repository
- Monitor data flowing through the Collectors and Connectors
- Debug Collectors
- Design, configure and create the components of the Event Source Hierarchy, and execute required actions using these components. For more information, see [“Live View and Scratchpad”](#).

## Collector Workspace and Collector Directory

Collector Workspace is the location where Collectors that you create or you want to modify using Collector Builder, are stored. The Collectors are stored in %ESEC\_HOME%\data\collector\_workspace

Collector\_instances is the directory where the running Collectors are stored. They are stored on the system where Collector Manager is installed. The running Collectors are stored in %ESEC\_HOME%\data\collector\_mrg.cache\collector\_instances

## Introduction to the User Interface

The ESM *Live View* and *Scratchpad* are independent windows. This allows you to work on other tabs in Sentinel simultaneously as you work on ESM.

The *Event Source Management* windows include:

- A Menu Bar with the ESM menus
- A Tool Bar which helps you execute the functions of ESM
- Several different types of frames to display ESM data
- Display Health Monitor frame with graph and table views where you can perform your activities

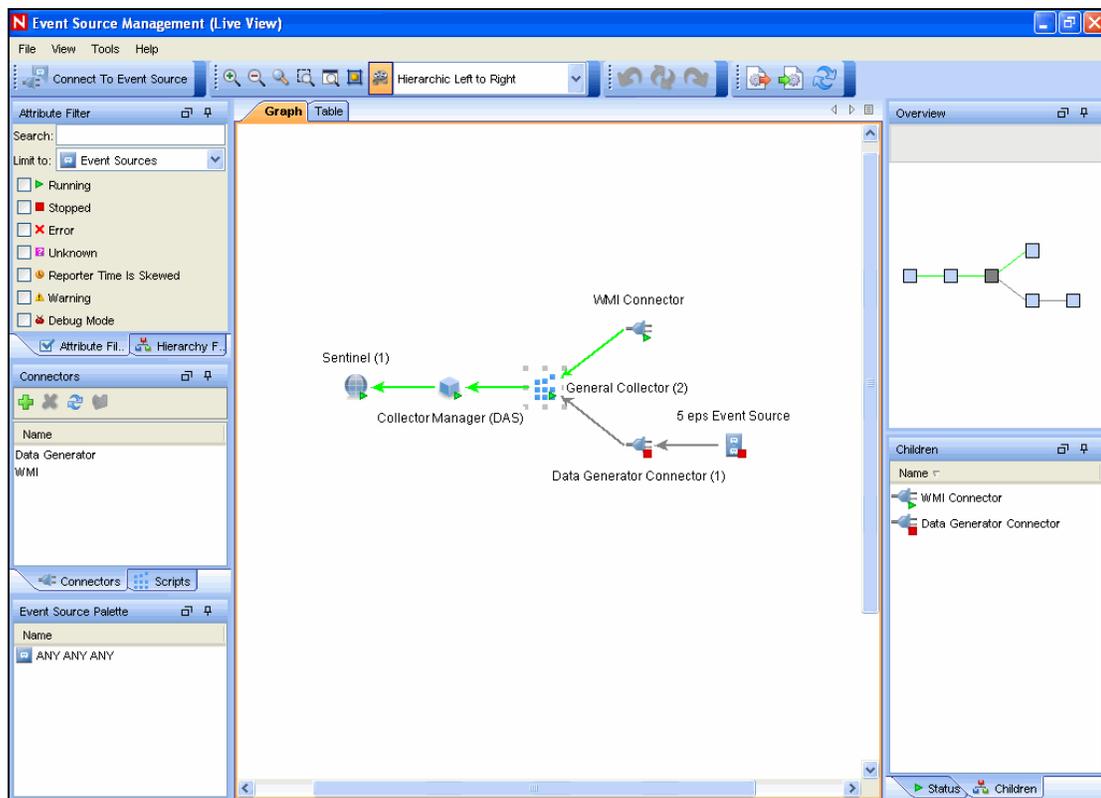
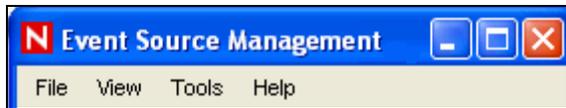


Figure 9-1: Event Source Management-Live View

## Menu Bar

The Menu Bar has *File*, *View*, *Tools* and *Help* options.



**Figure 9-2: Event Source Management-Menu Bar**

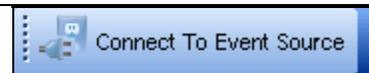
The following are the options available in the each of the Menu Bar options which are described in the document:

- File
  - Export Configuration
  - Import Configuration
  - Save Preferences
  - Close
- View
  - Reset Layout
  - Redo Layout
  - Undo Layout
- Tools
  - Connect to Event Source
  - Import plug-in
- Help
  - About
  - Help

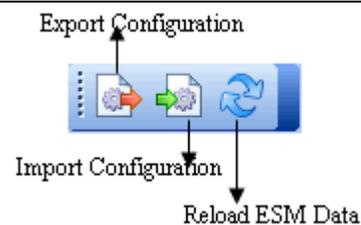
These options allow you to perform a set of actions mentioned below:

## Tool Bar

Launch the wizard for connecting to a new Event Source



Import/Export & Reload Event Source Management Configurations and plugging



The tool bar contains several tools for displaying objects in ESM. You can zoom the entire Graphical view in and out, or zoom directly to a selected region.

The Magnifying Glass allows you to enlarge the text and icons for a small portion of the Graphical view without affecting the overall zoom level.



The Fit to Screen option adjusts the ESM view to fit the screen.

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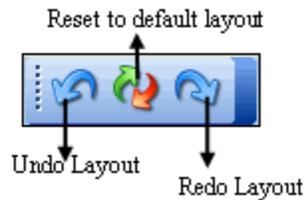
You can select from several different layouts to display the objects in ESM.

You can also enable/disable animations during transition from one layout to the other in the Graphical view of the Health Monitor Display.



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You can reset to the default settings too.



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*Table 9-1: Event Source Management -User Interface*

## Zoom

In ESM, you can use *Magnifying Glass* to zoom into a region.

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### TIP:

To enable/disable magnifying glass in ESM, use the local zooming using a *Magnifying Glass* button on the toolbar.

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## Hot Keys:

You can increase or decrease the magnification factor with the following key combinations:

To increase or decrease the size of magnification glass cursor:

- **To increase:** Ctrl key + Backward scrolling of the Mouse wheel
- **To decrease:** Ctrl key + Forward scrolling of the Mouse wheel

To increase or decrease the zooming of the nodes:

- **To Zoom in:** Forward movement of the Mouse wheel
- **To Zoom out:** Backward movement of the Mouse wheel

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**NOTE:** *Magnification glass* is available only in the *Graphical View* of ESM window.

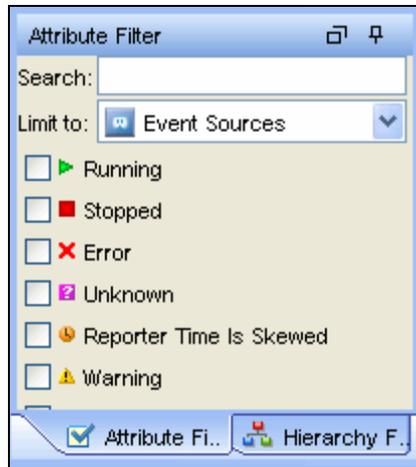
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## Frames

You can see the following Frames in the *Live View* or *Scratchpad* window.

## Attribute Filter

The *Attribute Filter* allows you to display the components of ESM. You can specify the components to be displayed based on the component name and status.

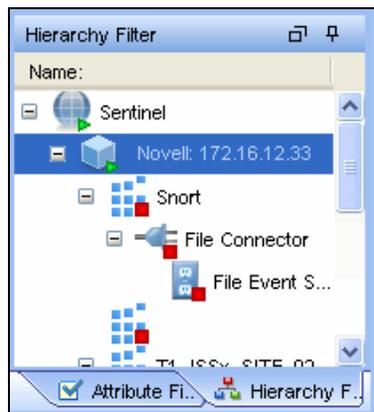


**Figure 9-3:** Attribute Filter frame

- **Text Filter:** It allow you to filter the nodes that are displayed in the graphical and tabular view based on the text they type in.
- **State Filter:** It allows you to filter the nodes that are displayed in the graphical and tabular view based on the current state of the node.

### Hierarchy Filter

The Hierarchy filter sets the display based on the hierarchy you select in this frame. It allows the user to filter the nodes that are displayed in the graphical and tabular view based on the node hierarchy. All children and parents of selected nodes are shown.



**Figure 9-4:** Hierarchy Filter frame

To set Hierarchy filter for displaying components:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, click the *Event Source Management* in the menu bar and select *Live View* or *Scratch Pad*.
2. Click the *Hierarchy Filter* frame.
3. Select the Hierarchy Level to display the components.

### Connectors

Connectors are plug-ins in Sentinel. Importing a Connector implements the Connector mechanism in the system. Connectors frame allows you to Add, Remove, and Refresh connectors and Add auxiliary file in the system.



**Figure 9-5:** Connector frame

	Add	Add Connectors to the system.
	Delete	Delete Connectors.
	Refresh	Refreshes the list.
	Add Auxiliary Files	Add Auxiliary Files. For more information, see <a href="#">“Add Auxiliary Files”</a>

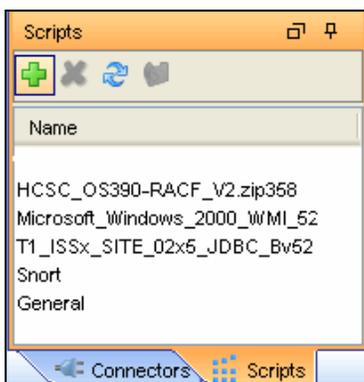
**Table 9-2:** Connector frame Icons

To add Connector Plug-ins:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, click the *Event Source Management* in the menu bar and select *Live View* or *Scratch Pad*.
2. Click the *Script* or *Connectors* frame. You can plug-in connectors from here. For more information, see [“Add Plug-In”](#).

## Scripts

Collectors are plug-ins in Sentinel. The Collector Script plug-in adds the ability to parse raw data from an event source. Scripts frame allows you to import plugins, remove Collectors, refresh the list of Collectors and add auxiliary files in the system.



**Figure 9-6:** Scripts frame

	Add	Add Scripts to the system.
	Delete	Delete Collectors.

	Refresh	Refreshes the list.
	Add Auxiliary Files	Add Auxiliary Files. For more information, see <a href="#">“Add Auxiliary Files”</a> .

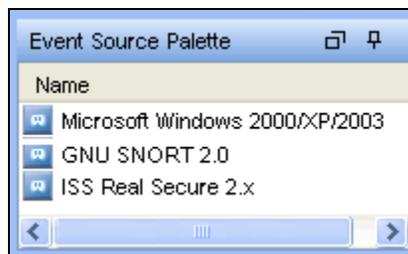
**Table 9-3:** Scripts frame Icons

To add Collector Plug-ins:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, click the *Event Source Management* in the menu bar and select *Live View* or *Scratch Pad*.
2. Click the *Script* or *Connectors* frame. You can plug-in Collectors from here. For more information, see [“Add Plug-In”](#).

### Event Source Palette

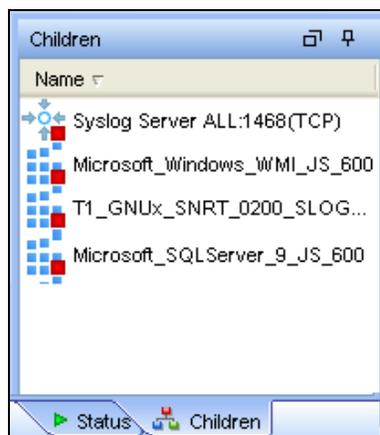
This frame displays the list of Devices or Event Sources supported by the existing Collectors in the Central Repository.



**Figure 9-7:** Event Source Palette

### Children

This frame displays names of immediate children nodes of a parent (main) node when you click the parent node. This frame is useful to manage children of nodes which have been contracted in the *Graphical View*. To perform any action in ESM, right-click a component and select from options listed. For more information, see [“Right-click Menu”](#).



**Figure 9-8:** Children frame

### Status Details

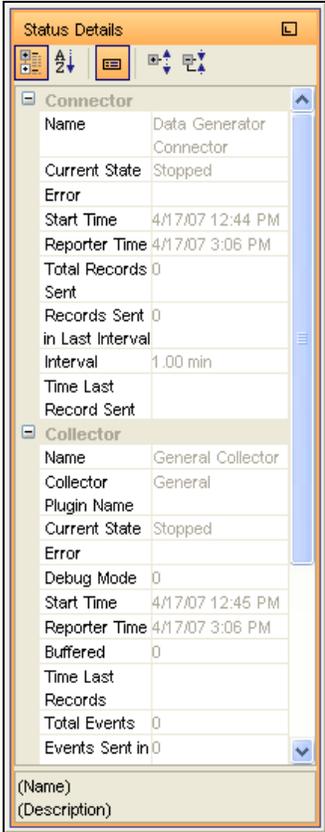
This frame displays the status details of a selected component in the *Health Monitor Display* frame.

Available status information includes the current state, the number bytes processed, the number of records sent, the number of Sentinel™ Events sent, and various other status and statistical information.

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**NOTE:** The status information varies based on the type of component that is selected.

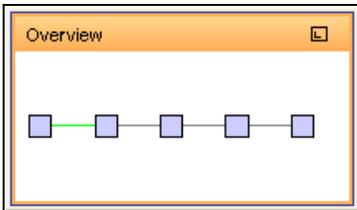
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*Figure 9-9: Status Details frame*

## Overview

The overview frame allows you to quickly move across the graphical view. This is particularly useful when there are a lot of objects in the screen.



*Figure 9-10: Overview frame*

## Plug-in Repository

A plug-in is a package of code that provides additional functionality to Sentinel and the most common plug-ins are Collector Scripts and Connectors. Implementing these features as plug-ins allows Novell to deliver enhancements to our event collection system without the need to deliver a new version of the Sentinel platform.

- **Collector Script:** The Collector Script plug-in adds the ability to parse raw data from an Event Source. This is similar to the Collector Script in Sentinel 5, however in Sentinel 6 the plug-in also provides additional meta-data to enable the ESM panel to prompt the user for parameter values as well as enable ESM to automatically select supported connection methods that work well with the Collector Script. This meta-data is added to the Collector Script plug-in by the plug-in developer.
- **Connector:** In Sentinel 6, all Connectors are pluggable. A Connector plug-in contains both the implementation of the connection mechanism as well as the GUI screens needed to configure the Connector. This allows for a user to easily add additional Connectors to Sentinel.
- **Hot Fixes and New Functionality:** In the future, some Sentinel enhancements and defect fixes might be available as plug-ins.
- After you import a plug-in into Sentinel, it is centrally stored in the Plug-in Repository. The appropriate Sentinel components on other machines, automatically starts using the plug-in.

## Auxiliary Files

Some plug-ins such as database Connectors, require one or more auxiliary files in order to function. Auxiliary files are any such files that can not be included with the standard plug-in files such as user-specific configuration file or third party libraries that require specific licenses.

To add an Auxiliary File to a specific plug-in:

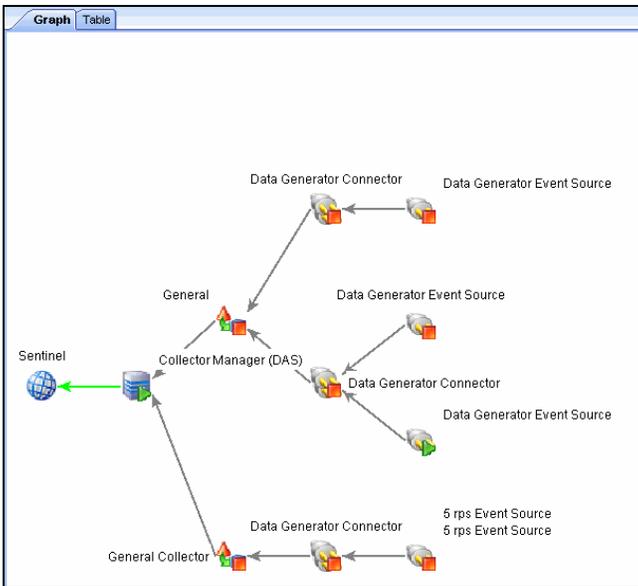
1. Select the plug-in to which the Auxiliary file will be added and then click *Add Auxiliary File*.
2. A wizard guides users through the process of importing the Auxiliary file.

## Live View

The ESM panel provides the main user interface to Event Source Management. You can view configuration data in Graphical or Tabular view.

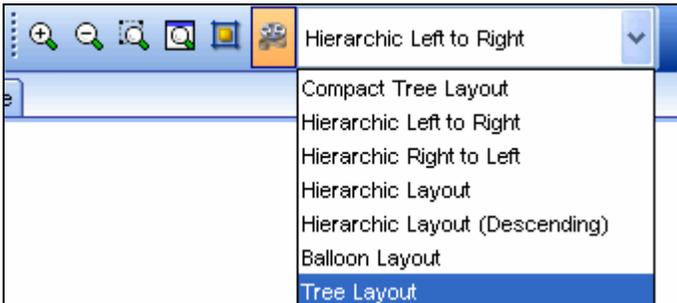
## Graphical ESM View

The Graphical view of ESM is the default view in Event Source Management. In Graphical view, you can view the status of a Collector and access the configuration settings of Collectors and Collector related objects as a graph of connected nodes.



**Figure 9-11:** Graphical View

By default, the *Health Monitor Display* frame displays in the *Graphical View*. The data can be displayed in seven different layouts. The default layout in graph is the “Hierarchic Left to Right” layout. You can change between these layouts by selecting the layout format from the drop-down list in the Tool Bar.



**Figure 9-12:** Layout Selection

**TIP:**

Click in the *Graphical ESM view* and use “+” or “-” sign to zoom in or zoom out. Alternatively use mouse wheel to zoom in and zoom out.

In the Graphical View, the lines connecting the components are color-coded to indicate data flow.

- **Green Line:** Indicates data is flowing between the components.
- **Grey Line:** Indicates the connection is not live and there is no data flow.
- **Blue dashed Line:** Indicates the logical relation of Event Source Servers to their associated Collector Managers and Event Sources.

The terminology used for nodes are:

- **Parent Node:** A Node from which child nodes originate
- **Immediate Children:** The sub nodes that are logically and functionally linked to a Parent Node.

- **Collapsed/Expanded nodes:** To improve the manageability and performance of the Graphical display, Sentinel automatically contracts any node with 20 or more immediate children. This is especially useful for Connectors such as Syslog or Novell Audit that have the ability to automatically configure a large number of event sources.

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**TIP:**

Collapsed Nodes are identified by a “-” sign on the node and Expanded Nodes by “+” sign.

Double-click a node to expand or collapse.

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In collapsed state, a node displays the number of immediate children next to the node; for example, WMI Connector (3) [Collector name (Number of immediate children)]. The “Children” panel of a contracted node shows the immediate children of that node, each of which can be managed in the same way as nodes in the Tabular ESM View.

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**NOTE:** Event Source Server node do not have “+” or “-” sign after its name even if it contains children.

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Double-clicking a parent node changes the state from collapsed to expanded and vice versa. Double-clicking a node with no children displays the status details for that node. If an additional node is added to an expanded parent with over 20 children the node is contracted automatically. If an additional node is added to a manually expanded parent with over 20 children the node will not be contracted automatically.

The parent node can take several minutes to expand if the parent node has a large enough number of child nodes to potentially cause the UI to become unresponsive; an alert message displays on the user interface to warn you about the delay in response. Click *Yes* to continue.



*Figure 9-13: Expand Selected Node prompt*

If you chose not to show this message again, the preferences are saved on that machine and any user logging into Sentinel from that machine will not get an alert again.

## Tabular ESM View

The components visible in the *Graphical view* of ESM can also be viewed in tabular format. In *Tabular view*, you can view the status of a Collector in a table and access the configuration settings of Collectors and Collector related objects.

Name:	Configured Status <sup>1</sup>	Actual Status	Connection Info	Error
Sentinel	On	On		
Collector Manager (DAS)	On	On		
General Collector	Off	Off		
Data Generator Connector	Off	Off		
5 rps Event Source	Off	Off		
General	Off	Off		
Data Generator Connector	Off	Off		
Data Generator Event Source	Off	Off		
Data Generator Event Source	On	On	Generating data at 80 record(s) per second.	
Data Generator Connector	Off	Off		
Data Generator Event Source	Off	Off		

**Figure 9-14: Tabular View**

The columns in the ESM *Tabular View* are:

- **Configured Status:** The On state the object is configured to be in. This is the state that is stored in the database and do not necessarily match the actual On state of the object. For example, the two states will not match if a parent object is turned off or if there is an error.
- **Actual Status:** The On state of the object as being reported by the actual running Collector Manager.
- **Connection Info (populated for Event Sources only):** A textual description of the Event Source connection.
- **Error:** A textual description of an error that occurred in the running object.

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**TIP:**

Use the *Table/Graph* tabs to change to *Tabular/Graphical* views.

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## Right-click Menu

The *Health Monitor Display View* provides a set of right-click menus that helps you execute a set of actions, as described below:

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**NOTE:** The right-click actions available depend on the kind of object you clicked on.

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- **Status Details:** You can view all information known about the status of the selected object.
- **Start:** You can set the object to be running.

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**NOTE:** The selected object will only start after the parent nodes starts and its running.

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- **Stop:** You can stop the running object.
- **Edit:** You can modify the editable information (Filter information, Object name and so on) with this option.
- **Debug:** You can debug the Collector. You must stop the running Collector before you debug it.
- **Move:** You can move the selected object from its current parent object to another parent object. You can move objects between the views that is live view to scratchpad and vice versa.
- **Clone:** You can create a new object that has its configuration information pre-populated with the settings of the currently selected object. This allows you to quickly create a large number of similar Event Sources without having to retype in the same information over and over again. You can clone objects between the views that is live view to scratchpad and vice versa. Cloning an object Copies all the settings except the “Run” status. New objects created using the Clone command will always be in the Stopped state after creation.

- **Remove:** You can delete a selected object from the system.
- **Contract:** Contract the child nodes into this node. This option is only available on parent nodes that are currently in an expanded state.
- **Expand:** Expand the child nodes of this node. This option is only available on parent nodes that are currently in a contracted state.
- **Add Collector:** It allows you to open an *Add Collector* wizard that guides you through the process of adding a Collector to the selected *Collector Manager*.
- **Add Connector:** It allows you to open an *Add Connector* wizard that guides you through the process of adding a Connector to the selected Collector.
- **Add Event Source:** It allows you to open an *Add Event Source* wizard that guides you through the process of adding an event source to the selected Connector.
- **Open Raw Data Tap:** You can view the live stream of raw data from an Event Source or flowing through the selected object.
- **Open Active View:** You can open *Active View* window that only displays events that have been generated by data from or flowing through the selected object.
- **Zoom:** You can zoom in the graphical view display on the selected object.
- **Show in Tabular/Graphical View:** You can switch over to the other view (to tabular view if on graphical view, or to graphical view if on tabular view) and automatically selects the object that is selected in the current view. When switching to graphical view, it also zooms in on the selected object.
- **Raw Data Filter:** It allows you to filter the raw data flowing through the selected node. The raw data filter is available on Collectors, Connectors, and Event Sources. If a filter is specified to drop data, the data to be dropped will not be passed to the parent node and, therefore, will not be converted into events.
- **Import Configuration:** You can import the configuration of ESM objects.
- **Export Configuration:** You can export the configuration of ESM objects
- **Add Event Source Server :** It allows you to add Event Source Server to the selected *Collector Manager*
- **Add Collector Manager:** In *Scratchpad* mode, you can add a *Collector Manager* to the scratchpad by using this option. In the *Live view*, *Collector Manager* objects are created automatically as each *Collector Manager* connects to the Sentinel system.

When you select multiple objects in the ESM panel and right click. The following options are available:

- **Start:** To start all the objects
- **Stop:** To stop all the objects
- **Remove selected objects:** To remove the selected objects along with its children

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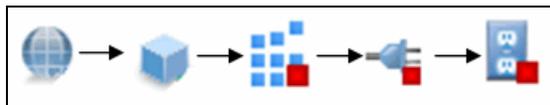
**TIP:**

Press “Shift” and click the object to select multiple objects.

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## Components of Event Source Hierarchy

ESM displays the information on the Collectors and other components in a hierarchy specific to ESM.



*Figure 9-15: ESM Hierarchy*

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**NOTE:** ESM allows you to add Collector, Event Source and Connector.

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	Sentinel	The single Sentinel icon represents the main Sentinel™ Server that manages all events collected by the Sentinel system.  The Sentinel object is installed automatically through the Sentinel installer.
	Collector Manager	Each <i>Collector Manager</i> icon represents another instance of a Collector Manager process. Multiple Collector Manager processes can be installed throughout the system. As each Collector Manager process connects to Sentinel the object are created in Sentinel automatically.
	Collector	The term Collector refers to a deployed instance of a Collector Script which includes the specification of the Collector Script to use as well as the parameter values the Collector should run with. Collector Scripts define the parsing logic for a specific device type.
	Connector	The term Connector refers to a deployed instance of a Connector plug-in which includes the specification as well as the parameter values the Connector should run with. The Connector plug-in defines the method of collecting data, such as Database, Flat File, WMI, and so on.
	Event Source	Each Event Source represents a configured Event Source connection, including the Collector Script, the Connector type, and configuration parameters. An Event Source can be thought of as an individual application or device that is generating event data to be collected into Sentinel.
	Event Source Server	Each <i>Event Source Server</i> icon represents a configured Event Source Server. An Event Source Server is a Sentinel process that collects data from specific event source types and passes it on to associated Event Sources. Common Event Source Server types include Syslog and Novell Audit.

**Table 9-4:** Components of ESM Hierarchy

## Component Status Indicators

Indicators are used to represent various states as follows:

	Stopped	Indicates that the component is stopped.
	Running	Indicates that the component is running.
	Warning	Indicates that a warning is associated with the component. At this time, this warning indicator is primarily used to show when the configured state and actual state of a component differ. (that is, a component is configured to be running, but the actual state of the component is stopped.)
	Error	Indicates that an error is associated with the component. See the individual component's status display for details about the error.
	Reporter Time is Skewed	Indicates when the time of a component differs from the main server's time. (The difference is greater than a predefined time threshold.)
	Debug	Indicates that the component is in <i>Debug</i> mode. Only a

	Collector can be in <i>Debug</i> mode.
 Unknown	This indicator is displayed when the status of the object in the ESM panel is not yet known.

**Table 9-5:** *Component Status Indicators*

To set Attribute filter for displaying components:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, click the *Event Source Management* in the menu bar and select *Live View* or *Scratch Pad*.
2. Click the *Attribute Filter* frame.
3. Specify the *Search* and *Limit to* criteria.
4. Check *Running* and/or *Stopped* checkbox to specify the status of the components.

To hide components based on type:

1. In Sentinel Control Center, click the *Event Source Management* in the menu bar and select *Live View* or *Scratch Pad*.
2. Click *Attribute Filter* frame.
3. Specify the *Search* and *Limit to* criteria.
4. Select the component type by which to limit the view.

## Adding Components to Event Source Hierarchy

Collectors, Connectors and Event Sources can also be added to the system through the right-click menus on the main ESM display.

### Collectors

To run the Collectors and generate the Events as per your requirements, you need to:

- Download Collectors from [Novell Collector Download](http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html) page (<http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html>).
- Import and Deploy Collectors
  - After downloading Collectors, import and deploy the Collectors.
- Generate Events
  - Start (Right-click the Collector and select *Start*) the Collector to generate Events.
- Debug Collectors
  - For any errors in the output of a Collector, select the Collector, right-click and select *Debug*.
  - For more information, see “[Debugging Collectors](#)”.
- Edit Collectors
  - To troubleshoot any misbehavior of a Collector, you can edit the Collector. To edit Collectors, copy the Collector Script to a machine that has Collector Builder installed.
  - For more information on editing Collectors, see [Sentinel Collector Builder User Guide](#).
- Re-Import and deploy Collectors

### Adding Connectors/Collector Plug-ins

**NOTE:** When you use the Sentinel Control Center to browse to locate a file on the Desktop of the *Collector Manager*, clicking Desktop takes you to the Desktop

of the user running the *Collector Manager*, usually SYSTEM. Extra steps might be necessary to navigate to the correct user's desktop.

To add a Connector plug-in:

1. Click *Tools* on the Menu Bar and select *Import plugin... Import Plugin wizard* window displays.

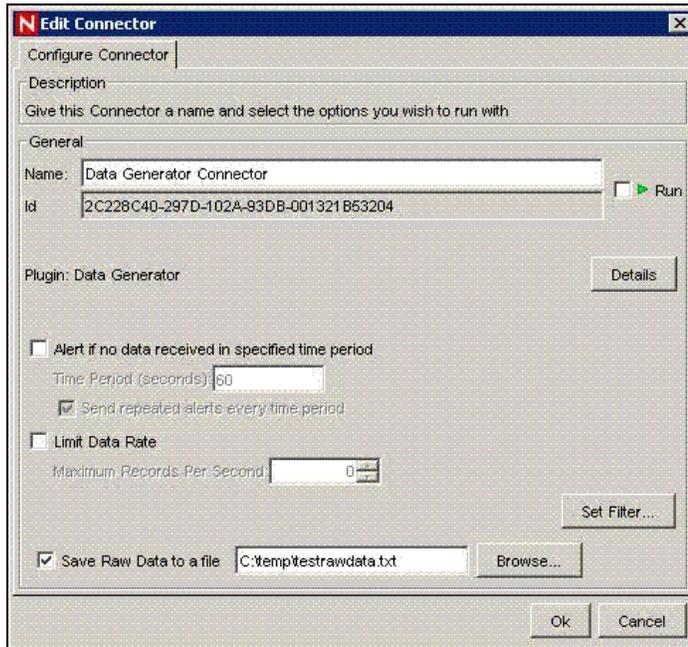


**Figure 9-16:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Plugin Import Type window*

2. Select *Import Collector Script or Connector plugin package file (.zip)*. Click *Next*.
3. Browse to a location of the Connector Plug-in package file and click *OK*. Click *Next*.

**NOTE:** If the file imported is not in the format specified for the Collector scripts or for the Connector plug-in package, system displays an error message.

4. *Plug-in details* window displays. Select the *Deploy Plug-in* option to deploy the plug-in from this window. For more information, see **“Connect to Event Source.”**



**Figure 9-17:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Configure Connector window*

5. Click *Finish*.

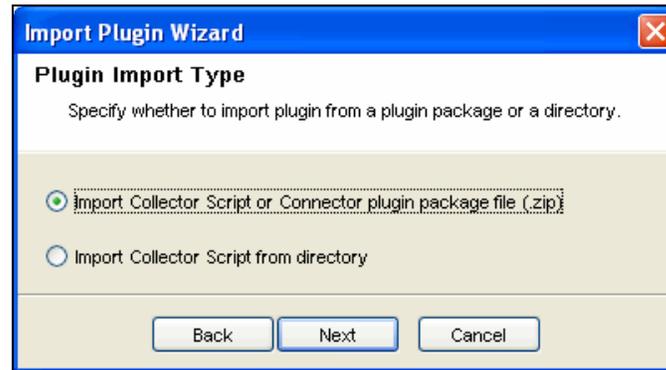
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**NOTE:** When you add a plug-in into Sentinel, it is placed in the Plug-in Repository, which enables Sentinel components on other machines to start using the plug-in without having to add the plug-in separately.

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To add a Collector plug-in:

1. Click *Tools* on the Menu Bar and select *Import plugin*. *Import Plugin Wizard* window displays.



**Figure 9-18:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Plugin Import Type window*

2. You can select from the two options available in this window. Click *Next*.
3. If you chose first option, browse to a location of the Collector Script file and click *OK*. Click *Next*. If you chose second option, you are directed to the Collector workspace. Select a Collector Script directory and click *Next*.
4. *Collector Script Detail* window displays.
  - a. Click the button next to id field to generate UUID.
  - b. The name and author details are displayed. Edit the details as per your requirement. Specify Version number.
  - c. Browse and attach the help file.

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**NOTE:** If the help file is not in the plug-in directory, the system prompts to copy the help file to the plug-in directory before import. Click *Yes*.

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- d. Provide description and click *Next*. *Supported Devices* window displays.

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**NOTE:** You must specify at least one device.

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Click *Add*. The *Supported Devices* window displays.

Provide vendor, name, version, description and click *OK*. Click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** Use *Edit* button to edit the details of a device or use *Delete* button to delete a device from the list.

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5. *Plug-in details* window displays. Check the *Deploy Plug-in* option to deploy the plug-in from this window. For more information on deployment procedure, see **“Connect to Event Source.”**
6. Click *Finish*.

## Updating Connector/Collector Plugins

If a new version of a Connector or Collector is released, you can update the Sentinel system and any deployed instances of the Connector or Collector.

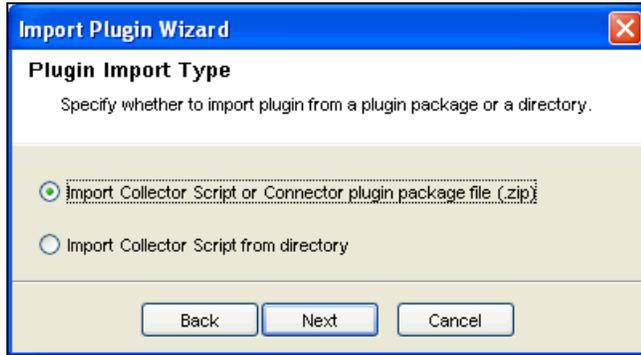
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**NOTE:** When you use the Sentinel Control Center to browse to locate a file on the Desktop of the *Collector Manager*, clicking Desktop takes you to the Desktop of the user running the *Collector Manager*, usually SYSTEM. Extra steps might be necessary to navigate to the correct user's desktop.

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To update a Connector or Collector plug-in:

1. Click *Tools* on the Menu Bar and select *Import plugin...Import Plugin Wizard* window displays.



**Figure 9-19:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Plugin Import Type window*

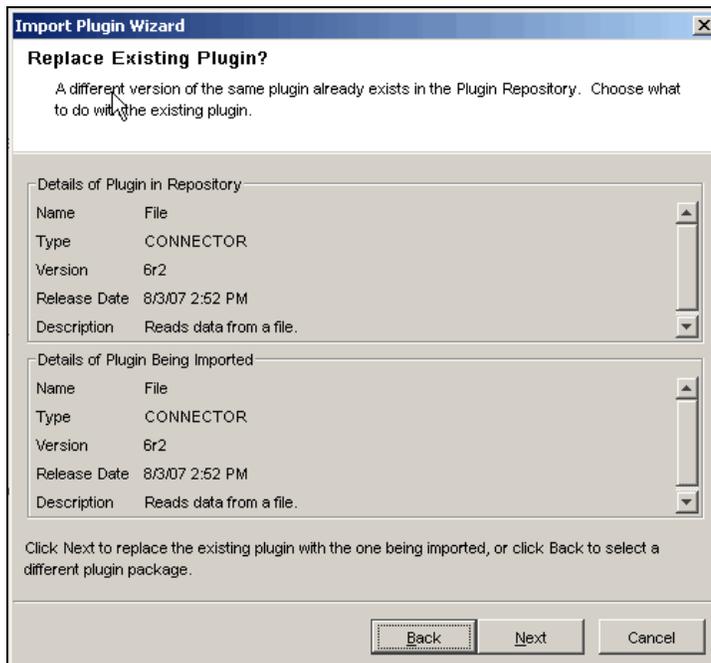
2. You can select from the two options available in this window. Click *Next*.
3. Browse to a location of the Connector or Collector Plug-in package file and click *OK*. Click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** If the file imported is not in the format specified for the Collector scripts or for the Connector plug-in package, system displays an error message.

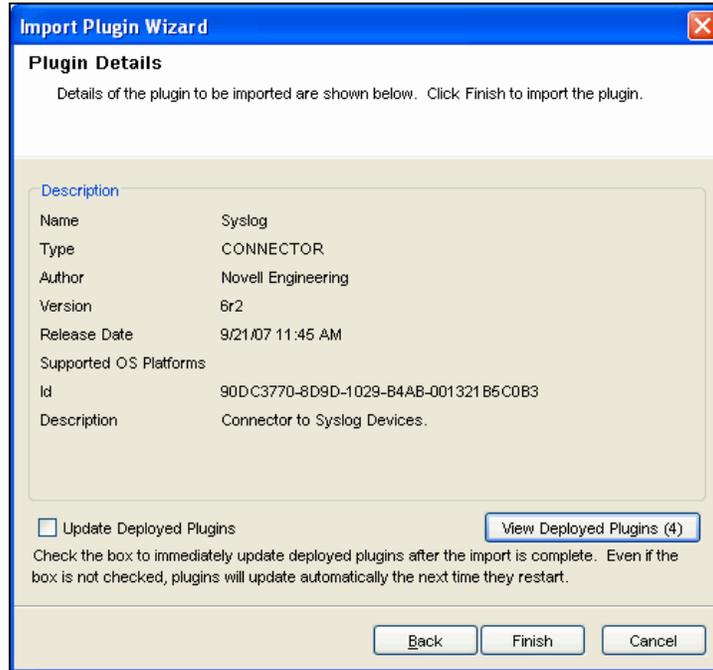
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4. When updating an already-imported Connector or Collector, you are provided with the option of updating the existing plug-in, going back and selecting a different plug-in, or canceling the import. If you want to continue, click *Next*.



**Figure 9-20:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Replace Existing Plugin window*

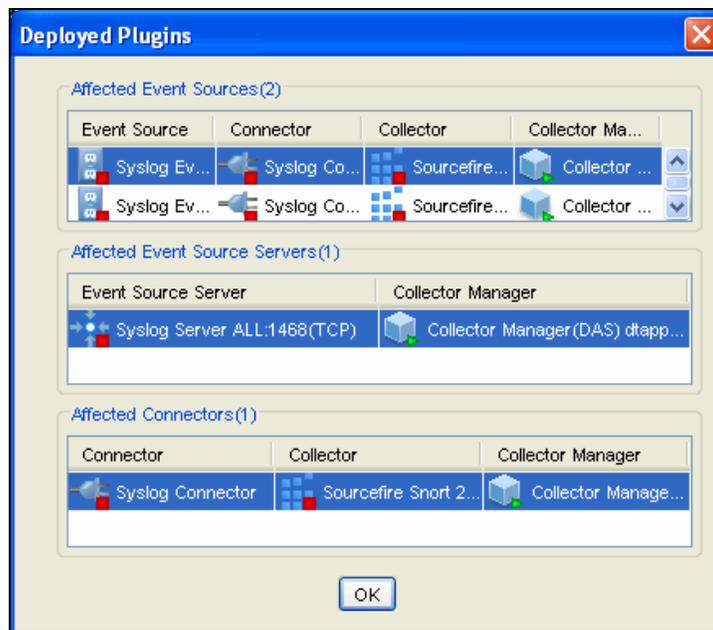
5. *Plug-in details* window displays. Check the *Update Deployed Plugins* option to update any currently deployed plugins that use this Connector or Collector.



**Figure 9-21:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Plugin Details window*

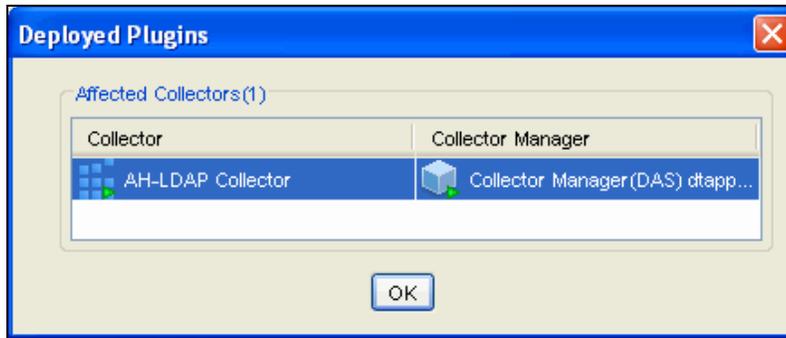
6. Click *View Deployed Plugins* to view the Plugins deployed in ESM Live View. The number in parentheses represents the number of instances of this plugin that are currently deployed and configured. The *Deployed Plugins* window displays the *Affected Connectors/Event Sources/Event Source Servers* or *Affected Collectors*. These are the components whose configuration is affected because of adding already existing Connectors/Collectors in ESM.

**Affected Event Sources/Connectors/Event Source Servers**



**Figure 9-22:** *Import Plugin Wizard- Deployed Plugins window*

## Affected Collectors



**Figure 9-23:** Import Plugin Wizard- Deployed Plugins window

Click *Finish*.

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**NOTE:** When you add a plug-in into Sentinel, it is placed in the Plug-in Repository, which enables Sentinel components on other machines to start using the plug-in without having to add the plug-in separately.

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## Deploying a Collector

To add a Collector:

1. In the main ESM display, locate the *Collector Manager* to which the new Collector will be associated.
2. Right-click the *Collector Manager* and select the *Add Collector* menu item.
3. Follow the prompts in the *Add Collector* wizard.
4. Click *Finish*.

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**NOTE:** Collector Script enables the ESM panel to prompt you for parameter values as well as enable ESM to automatically select supported connection methods that work well with the Collector Script.

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## Deploying a Connector

To add a Connector:

1. In the main ESM display, locate the Collector to which the new Connector will be associated.
2. Right-click the Collector and select the *Add Connector* menu item.
3. Follow the prompts in the *Add Connector* wizard.
4. Click *Finish*.

## Deploying an Event Source

To add an Event Source:

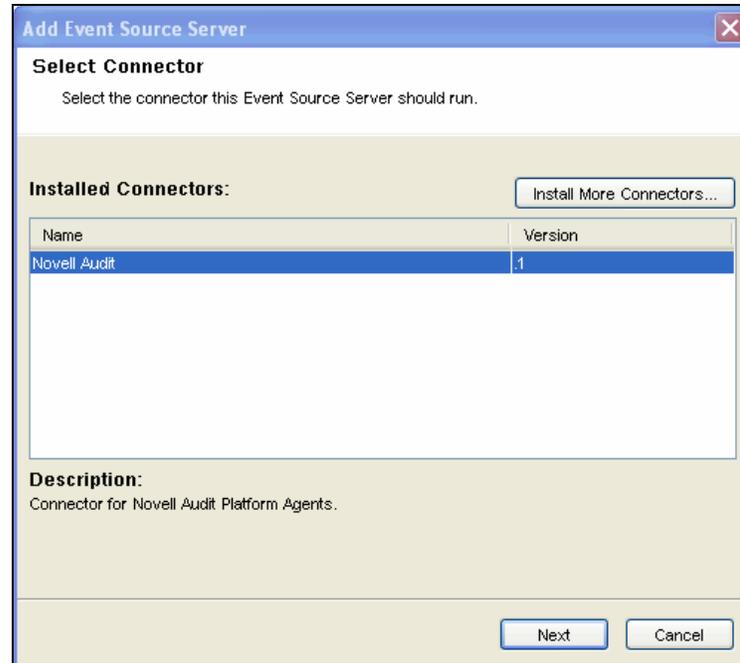
1. In the main ESM display, locate the Connector to which the new Event Source will be associated.
2. Right-click the Connector and select the *Add Event Source* menu item.
3. Follow the prompts in the *Add Event Source* wizard.
4. Click *Finish*.

## Deploying Event Source Servers

Certain Event Source Connectors (such as the Syslog Connector) require a process to collect data from the actual data source. These processes are called “Event Source Servers”. They collect data from the data source and then “serve” it to the Event Source Connector. Event Source Servers must be added and associated to any Event Source Connectors that require a server.

To add an Event Source Server:

1. In the Live View, right-click the *Collector Manager* and select *Add Event Source Server*. *Select Connector* window displays.



**Figure 9-24:** Add Event Source Sever – Select Connector window

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**NOTE:** To start the *Add Event Source Server* wizard, locate the Collector Manager on which the Event Source Server process will run.

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2. Select a Connector that will support your device and click *Next*. If you do not have any connectors in the list that will support your device, click *Install More Connectors*. For more information on installing Connector, see “[Add Plug-in](#)”.
3. Configure the various parameters for the server with reference to the Connector selected (For example, Syslog Connector, NAudit Connector, HTTPS Connector and so on.). The configurable parameters are different for the different Connector types. Click *Next*.
4. Provide a Name for the Event Source Server. If you want this server to be running, select the *Run* checkbox.
5. Click *Finish*. In the *Health Monitor Display* frame, the Event Source Server added here displays with a dashed blue line showing the Collector Manager to which it is associated to.

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**NOTE:** This *Add Event Source Server* wizard can also be initiated from within the *Add Connector* wizard if a compatible Event Source Server has not yet been added.

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## Connect to Event Source

There are several methods to configure an event source. Event sources can be deployed by right-clicking on an existing Collector Manager, Collector, or Connectors.

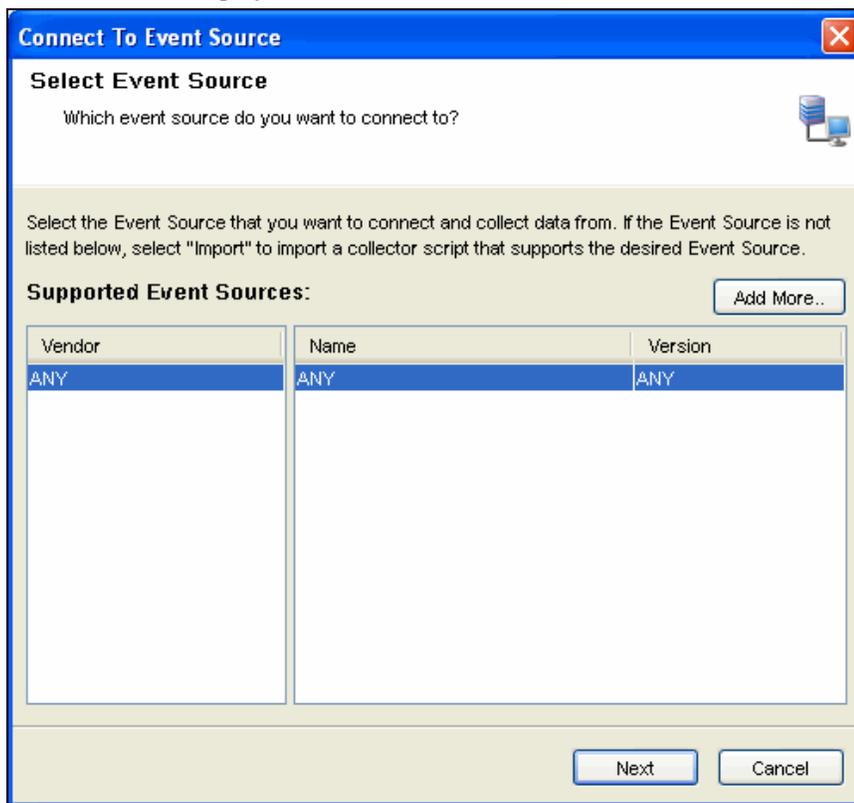
To deploy an event source, you need the following components:

- **Collector Script:** Collector scripts can be downloaded from [Novell Web site](http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html) (<http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html>), copied from a previous Sentinel implementation (4.x or 5.x), or built using Collector Builder
- **Connector:** Connector can be downloaded from [Novell Web site](http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html) (<http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html>)
- Configuration information for the event source

Collector Scripts and Connectors built by Novell can be found on the [Novell Web site](http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html) (<http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel/collectors.html>).

To connect to the Event Sources:

1. Click *Tools* on the Menu Bar and select *Connect to Event Source*. Alternatively, click the *Connect to Event Source* button on the Tool Bar. *Connect to Event Source* window displays.

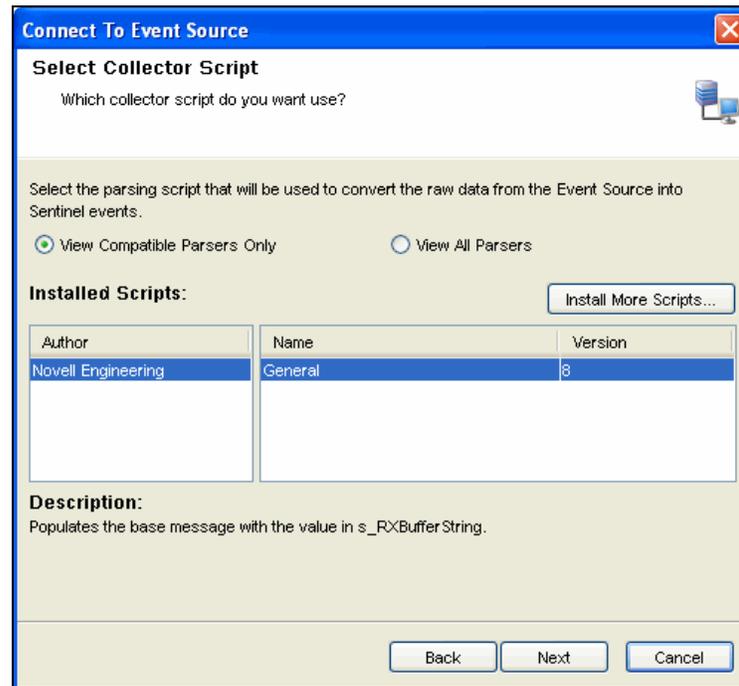


**Figure 9-25:** Connect To Event Source– Select Event Source window

**NOTE:** Event Source types for which you currently have compatible Collector parsing scripts are listed here.

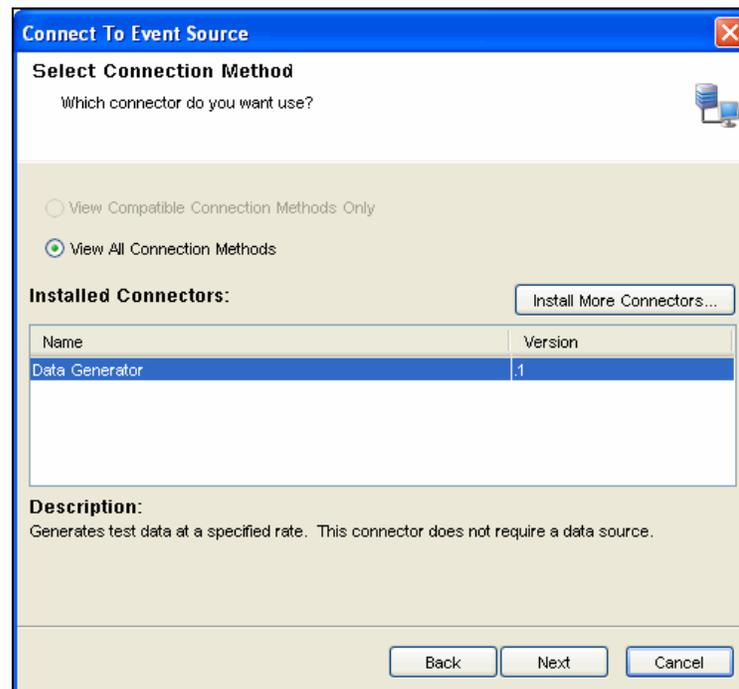
2. Select an Event Source from the list to which you want to connect to and collect data from. You can click *Add More* to import an Event Source. Click *Next*. Select *Collector Script* window displays.

**NOTE:** You can open *Select Collector Script* window by double clicking or dragging a selected event source from the *Event Source Palette* window.



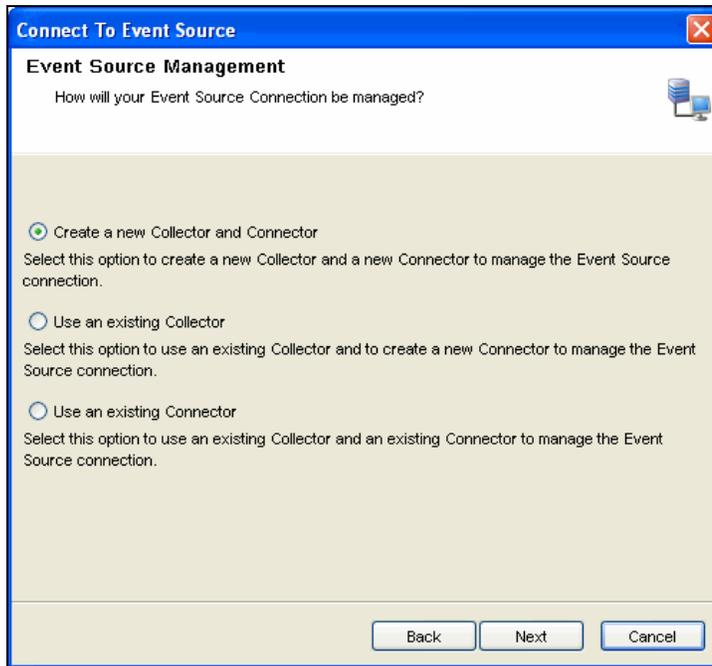
**Figure 9-26:** *Connect To Event Source– Select Collector Script* window

3. Select a Collector script from the list. You can also install additional Collector scripts (click *Install More Scripts*) that support your Event source, if it is not listed here (For more information on installing a Collector script, see “**Add Plug-in**”). Click *Next*. *Select Connection Method* window displays.



**Figure 9-27:** *Connect To Event Source– Select Connection Method* window

4. Select a connection method from the list. You can also install additional connectors by clicking on the *Install More Connectors* button. For more information, see “**Add Plug-in**” to install connectors. Click *Next*. *Event Source Management* window displays.



**Figure 9-28:** *Connect To Event Source–Event Source Management* window

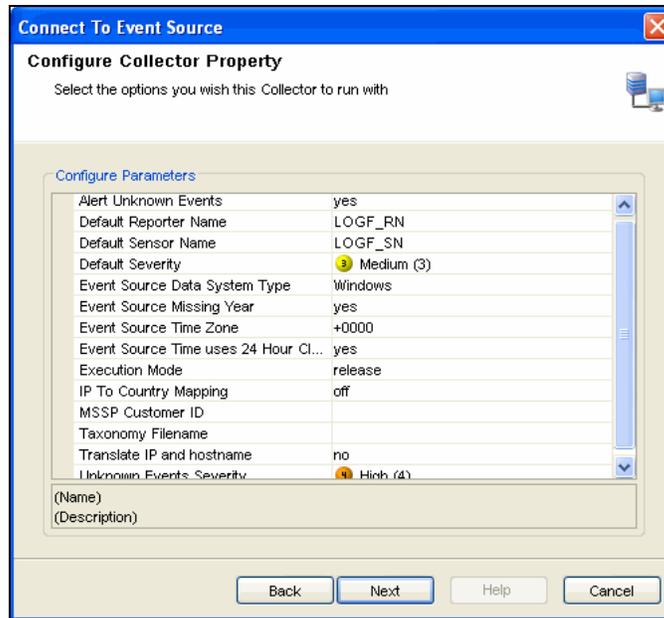
5. You can create a new Collector and Connector or you can use an existing Collector or Connector. Select an option and click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** Based on the existing Collectors and Connectors in your system that is compatible with your new Event Source, one or more of these options might be unavailable.

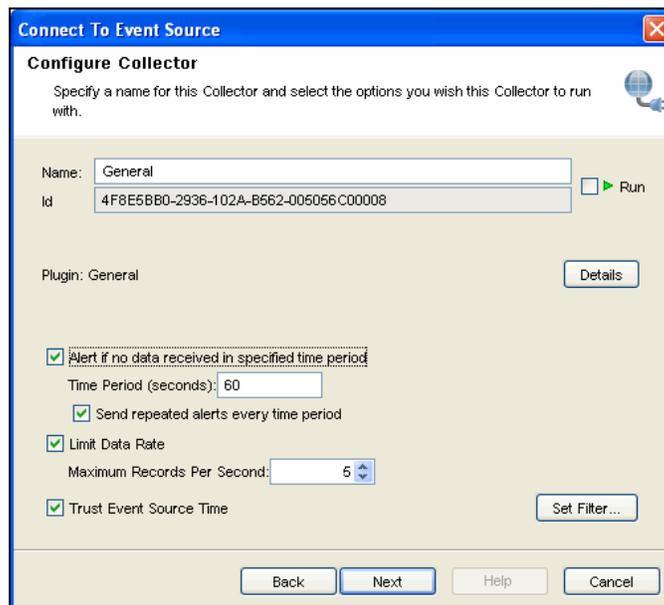
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- **Create a new Collector and Connector:** Select this option to create a new Collector and Connector to manage the Event Source connection.
  - a. After you select this option and click *Next*, *Select Collector Manager* window displays.
  - b. Select the Collector Manager you want to use and click *Next*. *Configure Collector Property* window displays.



**Figure 9-29:** Connect To Event Source– Configure Collector Property window

- c. Configure the parameters available and click *Next*. *Configure Collector* window displays.
- d. Provide the name of the Collector and configure the options.



**Figure 9-30:** Connect To Event Source– Configure Collector window

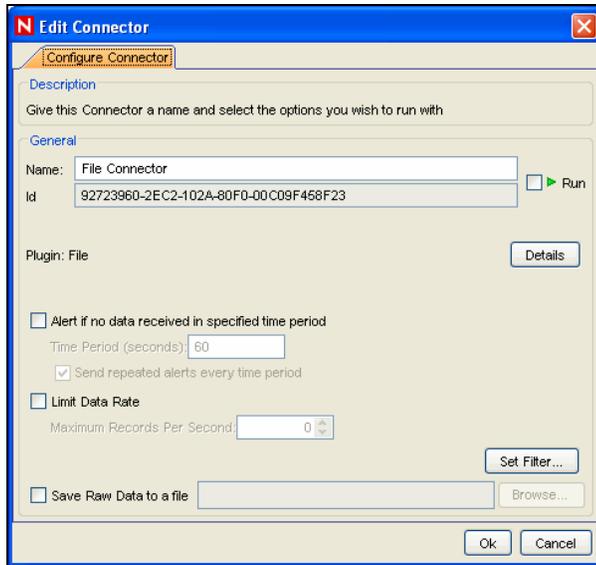
- Check the *Run* checkbox if you want to run your Collector automatically.
- Click *Details* button to see plug-in details.
- You can set alerts (with repeated option) if no data is received in a specific period.
- You can limit the data rate as maximum number of records per second.
- You can set filter through *Set Filter* button.
- You can check *Trust Event Source Time* to display the Device Time (time when the event occurred) instead of Event Source Time (time when the event was reported to console).

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**NOTE:** If *Trust Event Source Time* option is selected, then all data flowing through the Collector will have their Event Source Time trusted even if the Event Sources do not have this option selected.

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Click *Next*. The *Configure Connector* window displays.



**Figure 9-31:** Connect To Event Source– *Configure Connector* window

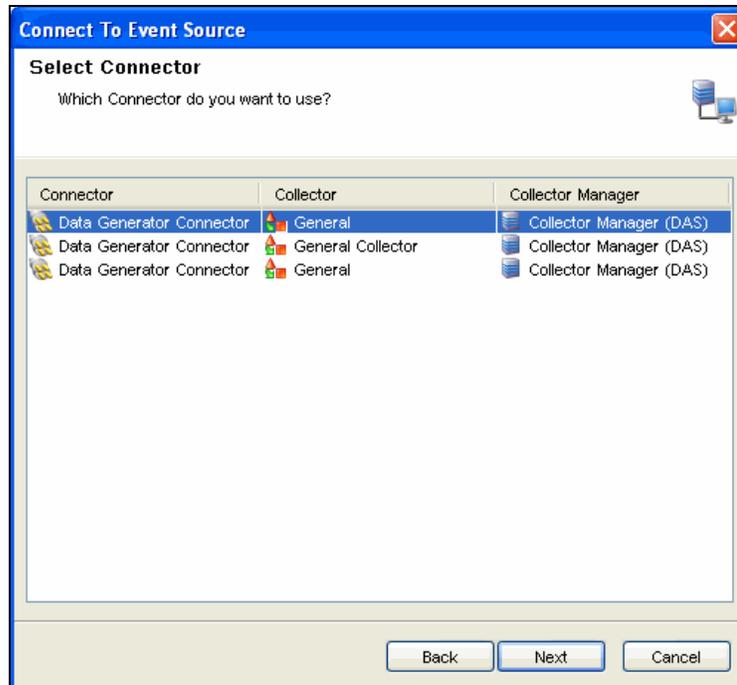
- e. Provide the name of the Connector and configure the options.
  - Check the *Run* checkbox if you want to run your Connector automatically.
  - Click *Details* button to see plug-in details.
  - You can set alerts (with repeated option) if no data is received in a specific period.
  - You can limit the data rate as maximum number of records per second.
  - You can set filter through *Set Filter* button.

Click *Next*. The *Event Source Configuration* window displays.

- **Use an existing Collector:** Select this option to use an existing Collector and to create a new Connector to manage the Event Source connection.
  - a. After you select this option and click *Next*, the *Select Collector* window displays.
  - b. Select the Collector you want to use and click *Next*. The *Configure Connector* window displays.
  - c. Provide the name of the Connector and configure the options
    - Check the *Run* checkbox if you want to run your Connector automatically.
    - Click *Details* button to see plug-in details.
    - You can set alerts (with repeated option) if no data is received in a specific period.
    - You can limit the data rate as maximum number of records per second.
    - You can set filter through *Set Filter* button.

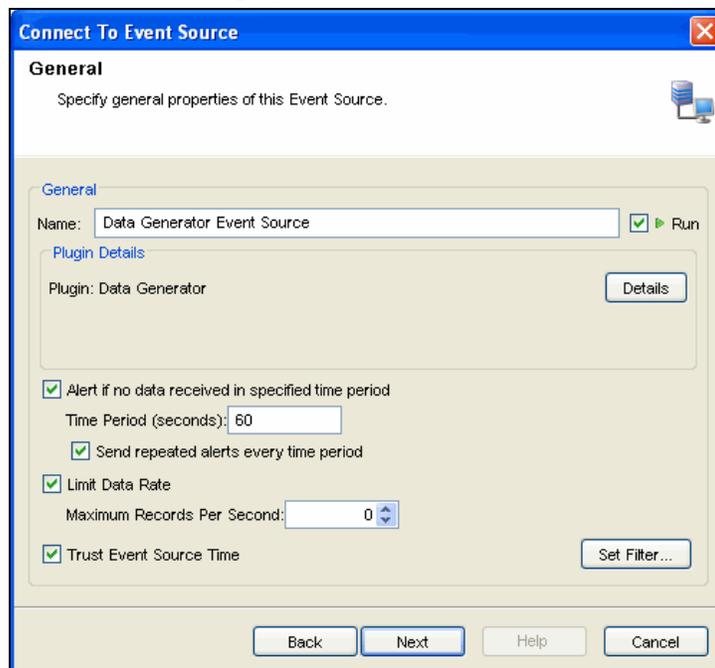
Click *Next*. The *Event Source Configuration* window displays.

- **Use an Existing Connector:** Select this option to use an existing Collector and an existing Connector to manage the Event Source connection.
  - a. After you select this option and click *Next*, the *Select Connector* window displays.



**Figure 9-32:** Connect To Event Source– Select Connector window

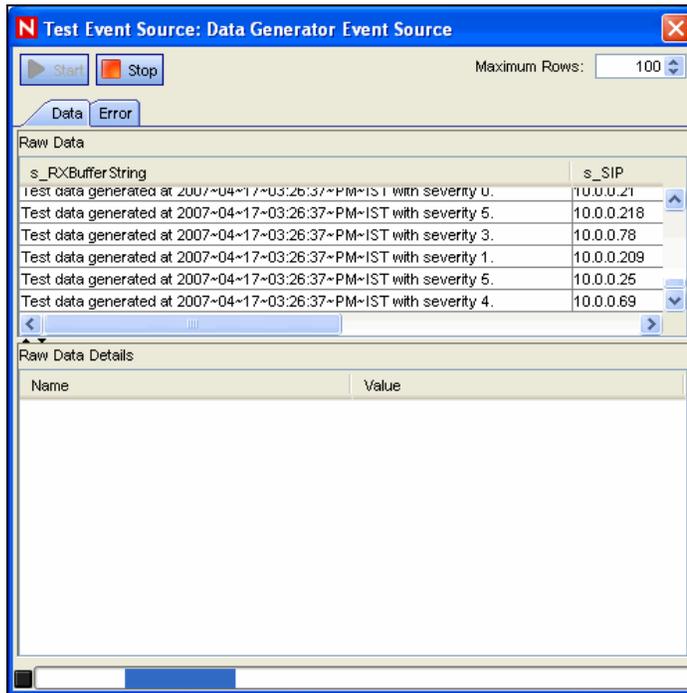
- b. Select the Connector you want to use and click *Next*.
6. The *Records Per Second* window displays.
7. Set the number of records to be transferred per second and click *Next*. The *General* window displays.



**Figure 9-33:** Connect To Event Source– General window

- Provide Name of the Event Source.
- Check the *Run* checkbox if you want to run your Event Source automatically.
- Click *Details* button to see plug-in details.

- You can set alerts (with repeated option) if no data is received in a specified time interval.
  - You can limit the data rate as maximum number of records per second.
  - You can check *Trust Event Source Time* to display the Device Time (time when the event occurred) instead of Event Source Time (time when the event was reported to console).
  - You can set filter through *Set Filter* button. In the *Filter* window, add/edit the filters and click *OK*.
8. Click *Next*. The *Summary* window displays.
- Click *Test Connection* to test the event source. *Test Event Source* window displays with *Data* and *Error* tabs. The *Error* tab displays the error message if there is any error in the configuration of event source.
  - After a few seconds, a sampling of raw data should be received from the Event Source and displayed in the *Data* tab.
  - Use the *Start* and *Stop* buttons to start or stop the test.
  - Use the “Maximum Rows” component to control the max number of raw data records to obtain at once.



**Figure 9-34:** *Test Event Source: Data Generator Event Source* window

You can test the event source in the *Test Event Source* window. It displays the data in the *Data* tab and errors in the *Errors* tab. You can select maximum rows to be displayed and can start and stop the test.

9. Click *Finish*.

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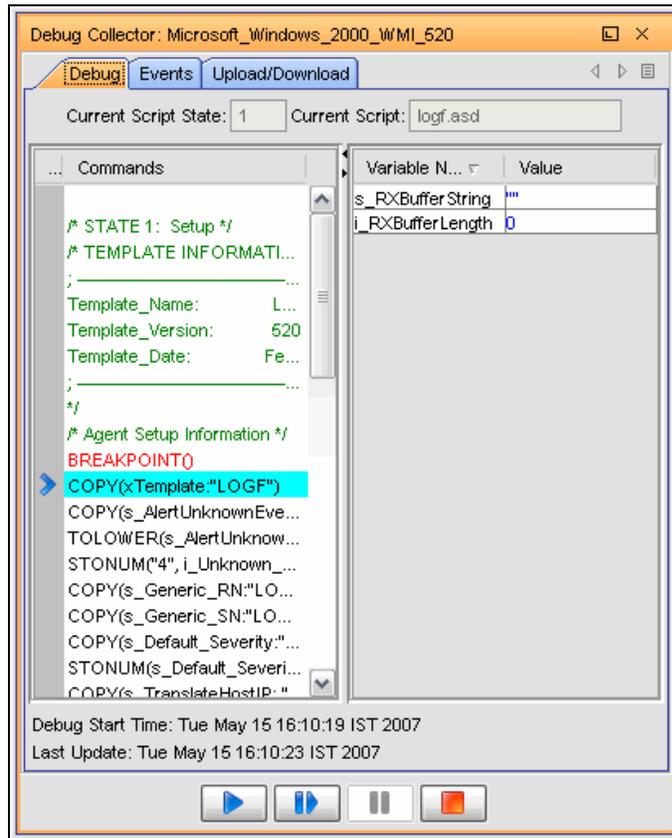
**NOTE:** The Collector parsing script are executed on the same system as the *Collector Manager* that you select here.

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## Debugging Collectors

In the *Debugging Collector* window, the left column on the debugger displays the commands for the current script state. The highlighted command is being executed.

The right column on the debugger displays the script's variables and their current value. The variable list expands as all the script's variables are used. The variables are color coded to show new variables in blue, changed variables in red, and variables whose value has not changed since the last "Step" as black.



**Figure 9-35:** Debug Collector window

The *Events* tab displays the events generated using this Collector and the *Upload/Download* tab allows you to upload/download another Collector Script file to make modifications.

The debugger has the following four controls:

	Run	Run the script until the next breakpoint is encountered.
	Step Into	Step one instruction at a time.
	Pause	Pause the running script.
	Stop	Stop the script.

**Table 9-6:** Debugger Icons

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**NOTE:** The Command list and the Variable list are not displayed in the debugger when the Script is “Running”. To see the Command list and the Variable list, the debugger must be “Stepping”, “Paused” or “Stopped”.

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You can view events as well as upload and download the Collector’s script from the *Events* tab and Upload/Download tab.

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**NOTE:** Multiple Sentinel Control Center users might connect to the same debugging session. And for this reason, a Collector will remain in *Debug* mode until one of the users specifically presses the debugger’s *Stop* button.

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To debug a Collector:

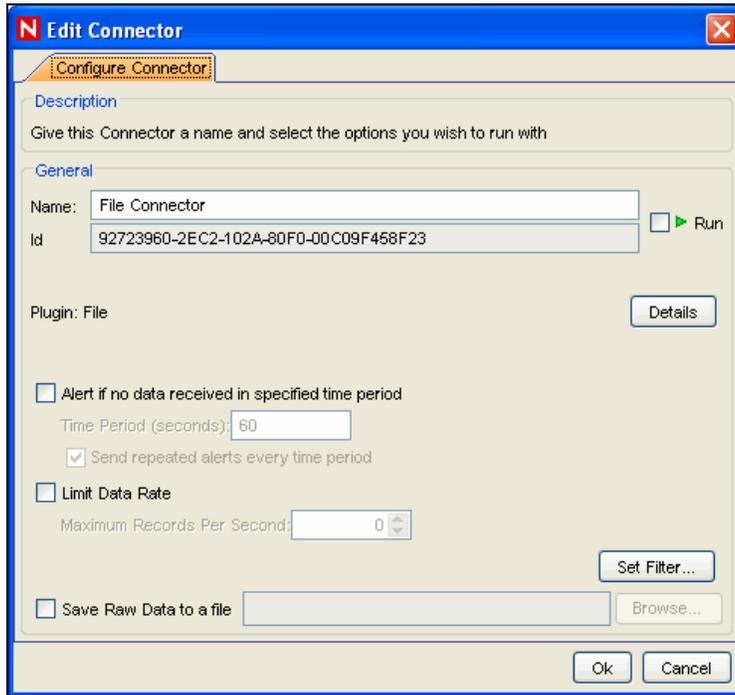
1. In the main ESM display, locate the Collector that to run Debugging.
2. Right-click the Collector and select *Debug*.
3. In the *Debug Collector* window, select a variable from the list of variables in the right pane, click *Run Debug*  button.
4. After debugging all the variables, close the *Debug* window.
5. Start the Collector to generate the Events.

## Debugging Using Raw Data

Occasionally when debugging, it might be helpful to view Connector output data. In addition to viewing raw data from the Connector using the Raw Data Tap right-click option for nodes in the Sentinel Control Center, Sentinel also includes an option to save the raw data from a Connector to a file for further analysis.

To save raw data from a deployed Connector to a file:

1. Right-click the Connector node and select *Edit*. The *Edit Connector* dialog displays.



*Figure 9-36: Edit Connector-Configure Connector window*

2. Check *Save Raw Data to a file*.
3. Specify (or browse to) a path on the Collector Manager machine where the raw data is saved.

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**IMPORTANT:**

The account running the Sentinel service on the *Collector Manager* machine must have permissions to write to the file location.

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## Export Configuration

Export configuration helps you export the configuration of ESM objects along with their Collector script and the Connector plugins.

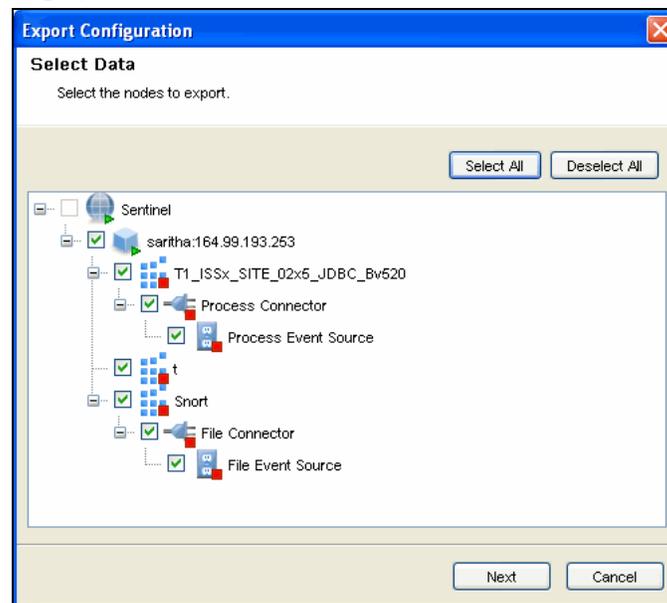
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**NOTE:** You can export any object in the ESM panel. Depending on the object selected, all its children and parent should be displayed in the *Select Data* window of *Export Configuration* wizard.

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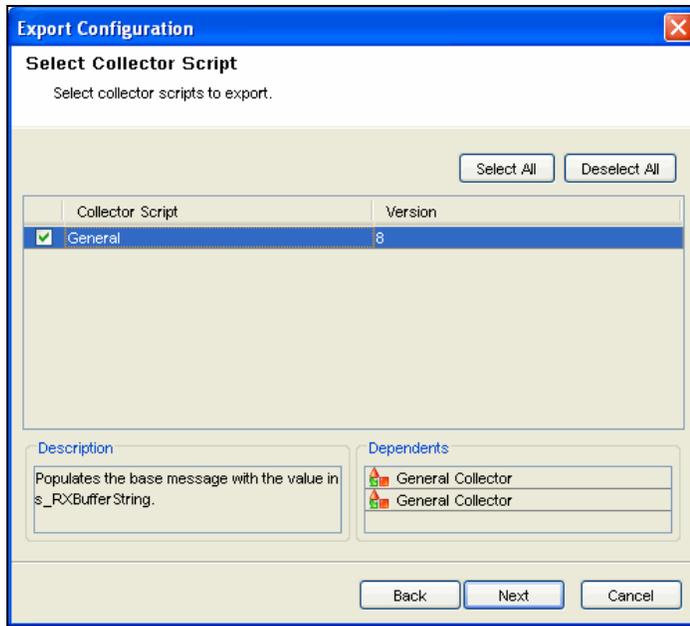
To export your configurations:

1. Go to Menu Bar and click *File > Export Configuration* or right click an object in the ESM panel and select *Export Configuration*. *Export Configuration* window displays.



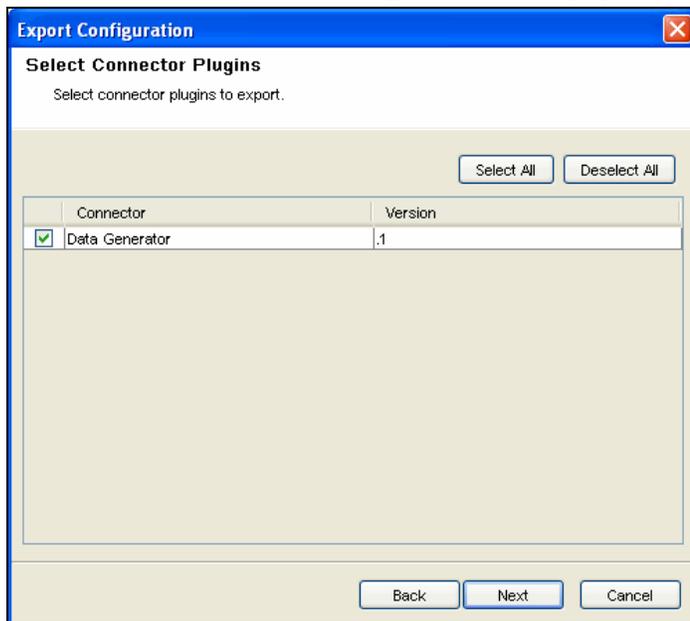
**Figure 9-37:** *Export Configuration-Select Data* window

2. Check the data to export and click *Next*. *Select Collector Scripts* window displays.



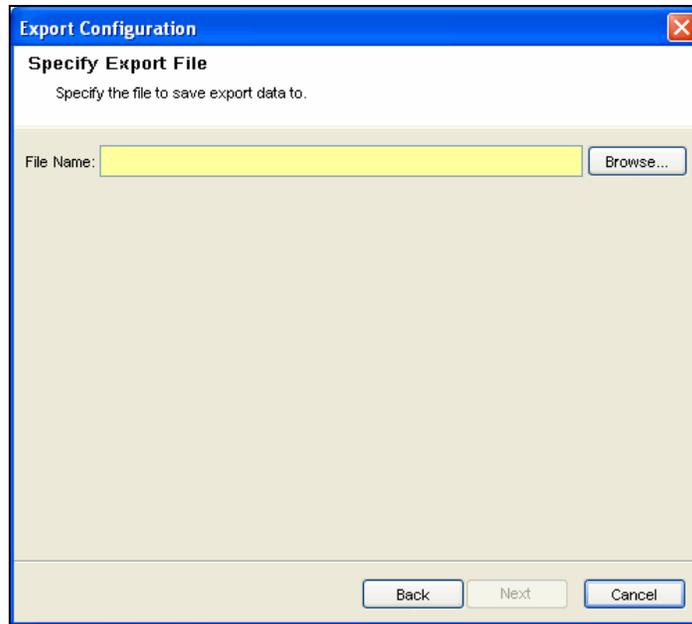
**Figure 9-38:** *Export Configuration-Select Collector Script window*

3. Select the Collector scripts from the list to export. You can select or deselect all. Click *Next*. *Select Connectors Plug-in* window displays.



**Figure 9-39:** *Export Configuration-Select Connector Plugins window*

4. Select the Connector Plug-ins from the list to export. You can select or deselect all. Click *Next*. *Specify Export File* window displays.



*Figure 9-40: Export Configuration-Specify Export File window*

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**NOTE:** If you want to view the description and dependents of a particular plug-in in the above window, select that plug-in from the table.

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5. Browse a location to save the configuration and click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** You can save the configurations only to a zip file.

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6. Summary page with the details of the configurations and plugins selected to export displays.
7. Click *Finish* to export. The file is exported in zip format.

## Import Configuration

Import configuration helps you to import the configuration of ESM objects exported to a zip file along with the plug-ins.

### Enable/Disable Import Configuration

The import configuration option is enabled

- in *Live view*, when you select the Collector manager/Collector/Connector/
- in *Scratch pad*, when you select any node other than the Event source

Import Configuration in Live View and Scratchpad is disabled if you

- select “Sentinel” or “Event Source” nodes (only in *Live View*)
- do not select any node (only in *Live View*)
- select an Event Source node in child view of *Graphical View*
- select multiple nodes

To import your configurations:

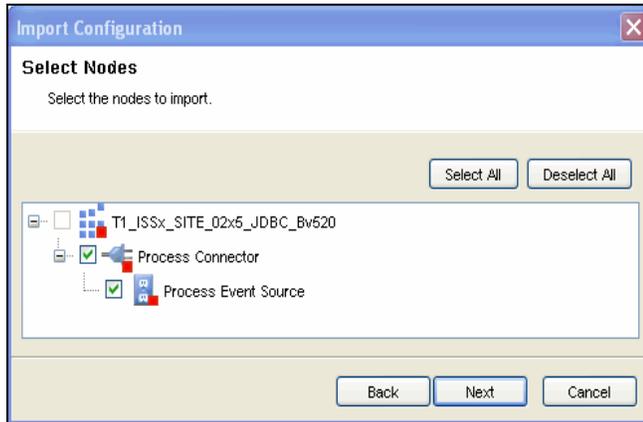
1. Click *File* on the Menu Bar and select *Import Configuration*. You can also click the *Import Configuration* button  on the Tool Bar. *Import Configuration* window displays.

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**NOTE:** You can also import configuration by right clicking on the object in the ESM panel. Depending on the object you have selected in the ESM panel, the node along with its child nodes are displayed in the *Select Data* window of *Import Configuration* wizard.

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2. Browse and select the configurations file and click *Next*. *Select Data* window displays.



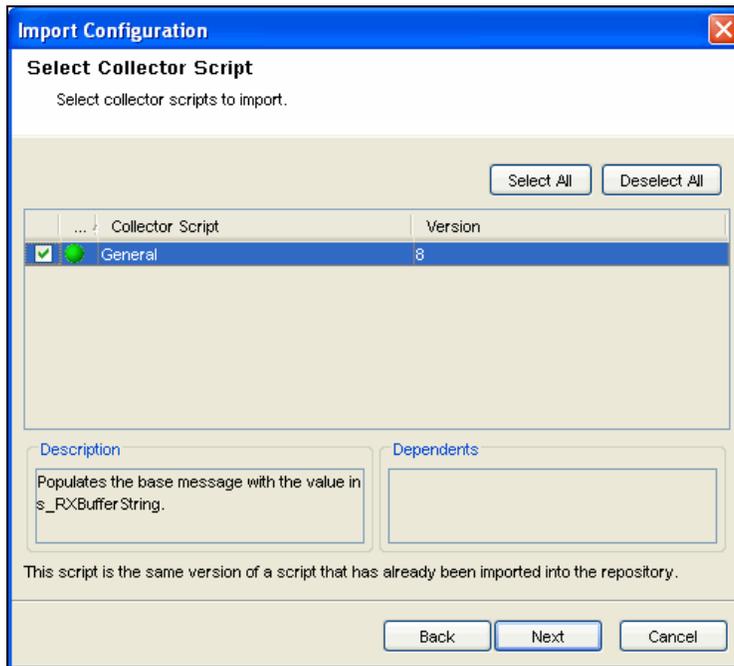
**Figure 9-41:** *Import Configuration-Select Nodes* window

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**NOTE:** Configurations must be saved to a zip file to import.

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3. Check the data to import and click *Next*. *Select Collector Script* window displays.



**Figure 9-42:** *Import Configuration-Select Collector Script* window

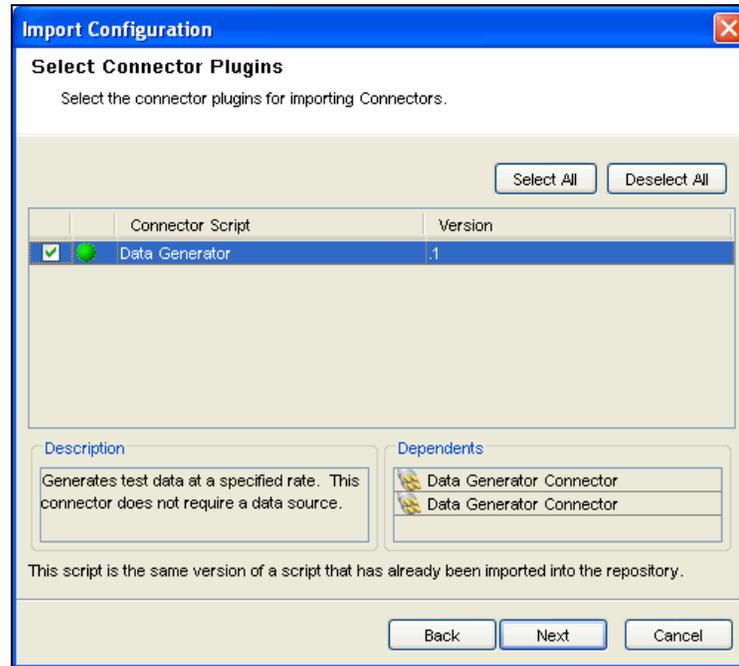
4. Select the Collector script from the list to import.

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**NOTE:** Color indicator is displayed in *Select Collector Scripts* and *Select Connector Plugins* window to indicate whether the plug-in is already present in the repository or not. If the plug-in does not present in the repository, then the

color is displayed as red and if same version of plug-in exists then the color is green else it is orange.

5. Click *Next*. *Select Connector Plugins* window displays.



**Figure 9-43:** *Import Configuration-Select Connector Plugins* window

6. Select the Connector plugins from the list to import.

**NOTE:** To view the description and dependents of a particular plugin in the above window, select that plug-in from the table. If there are any Collectors or connectors in the ESM panel which gets affected on importing the plug-in then *Affected Collectors* or *Affected Connectors* window is displayed.

7. Click *Next*. Summary page with the details of the configurations and plug-in selected to import displays.
8. Click *Finish*.

## Save Preferences

To save your preferences for next login:

1. Click *File* on the Menu Bar and select *Save Preferences*.

## Close

To close ESM:

1. Click *File* on the Menu Bar and select *Close*.

## Reset Layout

To reset to default settings:

1. Click *View* on the Menu Bar and select *Reset Layout*. Alternatively, click the *Reset* button on the Tool Bar.

## Undo Layout

To undo layout changes:

1. Click *View* on the Menu Bar and select *Undo Layout*. Alternatively, click the *Undo Layout* button on the Tool Bar.

## Redo Layout

To redo layout changes:

1. Click *View* on the Menu Bar and select *Redo Layout*. Alternatively, click the *Redo Layout* button on the Tool Bar.

## Event Source Management Scratchpad

Scratchpad is the “Design Mode of the Health Monitor”. Through Scratchpad you can design and configure:

- Collector Managers
- Collectors
- Event Sources
- Connectors
- Event Source Servers

You can right-click the Sentinel icon and add the components. For more information, see [“Adding components to Event Source Hierarchy”](#).

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**NOTE:** You cannot view the status of any object in the design mode as they are not connected to an instance of a real Collector Manager.

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## Comparison between Sentinel 5.x and Sentinel 6.0

The following Sentinel 5 components have been rolled up into ESM. Along with the Sentinel 5 component name, there is a hint at where to find the related functionality in ESM.

Components	Sentinel 5.x	Sentinel 6.0
Build / Edit Collector	Building, Modifying or editing a Collector was possible in Collector Builder in 5.x	Building, Modifying or editing a Collector is possible in Collector Builder in 6.0
Import Collector	Importing a Collector is not applicable in 5.x	You can import a Collector from Sentinel Control Center in 6.0
Deploy Collector	Deploy Collector was possible in Collector Builder in 5.x	Deploy Collector is possible in Sentinel Control Center in 6.0
Debug Collector	A debugging interface that enabled a user to step through the parsing logic in a Collector. This interface was available in Collector Builder in Sentinel 5.x	In ESM, this is now done through the ESM panel in Sentinel Control Center. To debug a Collector in ESM, right click the Collector node you want to debug and select the <i>Debug</i> option.

Storage location for files for Collectors in development	%ESEC_HOME%\wizard\Elements on Collector Builder machine	%ESEC_HOME\data\collector_workspace on Collector Builder machine
Storage location for files for running Collectors	%ESEC_HOME%\wizard\Elements on Collector Manager machine	%ESEC_HOME\data\collector_mgr.cache\collector_instances on Collector Manager Machine
Collectors Scripts	Collector Scripts were managed from Collector Builder in Sentinel 5.x	In Sentinel Control Center, Collector Scripts are plug-ins in 6.0. A Collector Script plug-in must be added to the plug-in repository before it can be deployed as a Collector. Collector parameters are now set when deploying a Collector in ESM.
Port Configurations	The configuration of the connection to the event source as well as the Collector to parse the data from the event source. Port Configurations were managed from Collector Builder in Sentinel 5.x	In ESM, this configuration is now managed in the ESM panel in Sentinel Control Center. The connection mechanisms are now plug-ins, which must be added to plug-in repository before being deployed as Event Sources.
Collector Health Status View	A real-time view of the status (For example, on, off, events per second and so on) of Port Configurations configured across all Collector Managers. This view was available in the Sentinel Control Center in Sentinel 5.	In ESM, status information is now viewable in both graphical and tabular format of the ESM panel in Sentinel Control Center.
WORKBENCH_HOME directory	The WORKBENCH_HOME directory which was available in Sentinel 5.x and prior versions no longer exists.	

**Table 9-7: Comparison Table**

# 10 Administration

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## Understanding Admin Tab

In *Admin* tab you can configure filters and reports. In *User Manager* you can create users and you can assign rights to the users.

The *Admin* tab allows you to access:

- “Archive”
- “Reports”
- “Views”
- “Filters”
- “Menu Options”
- “DAS Statistics”
- “Color Filter”
- “Mapping”
- “Events”
- “Reporting Data”
- “Users”
- “Solution Packs”

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**NOTE:** You need to have appropriate permissions to access this tab. Only an Administrator has controls to enable/disable access to the features of Admin for a user.

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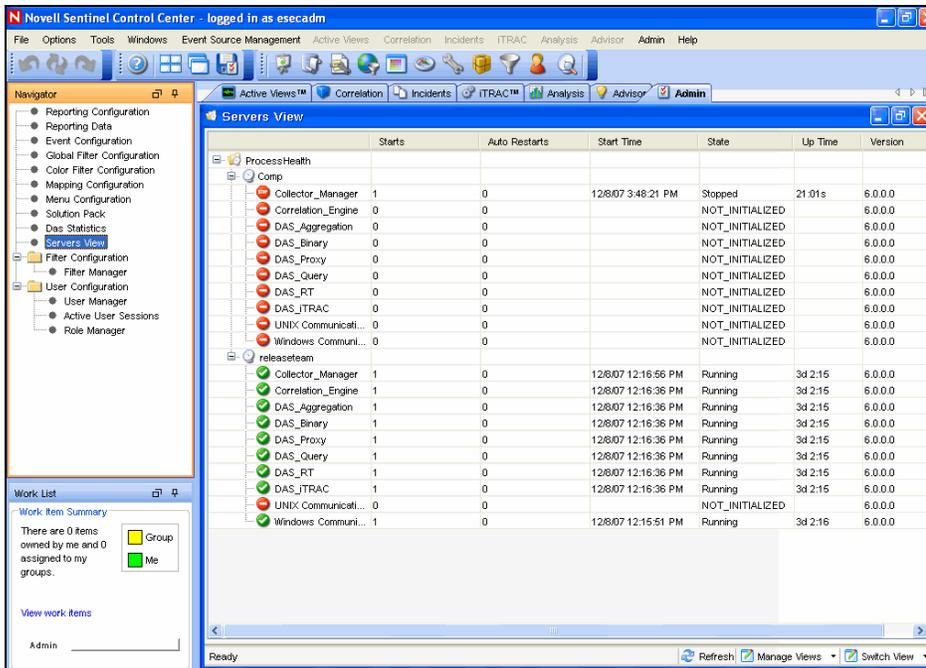


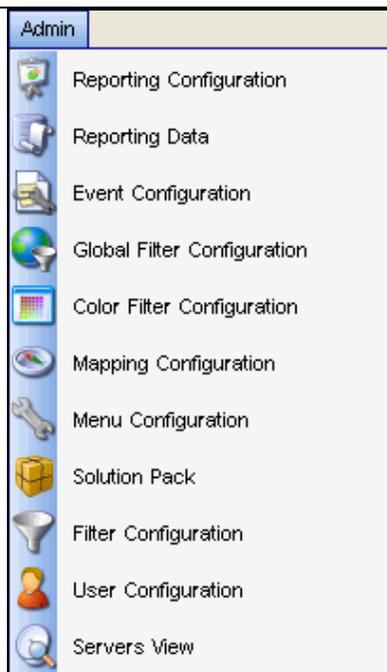
Figure 10-1: Sentinel Control Center

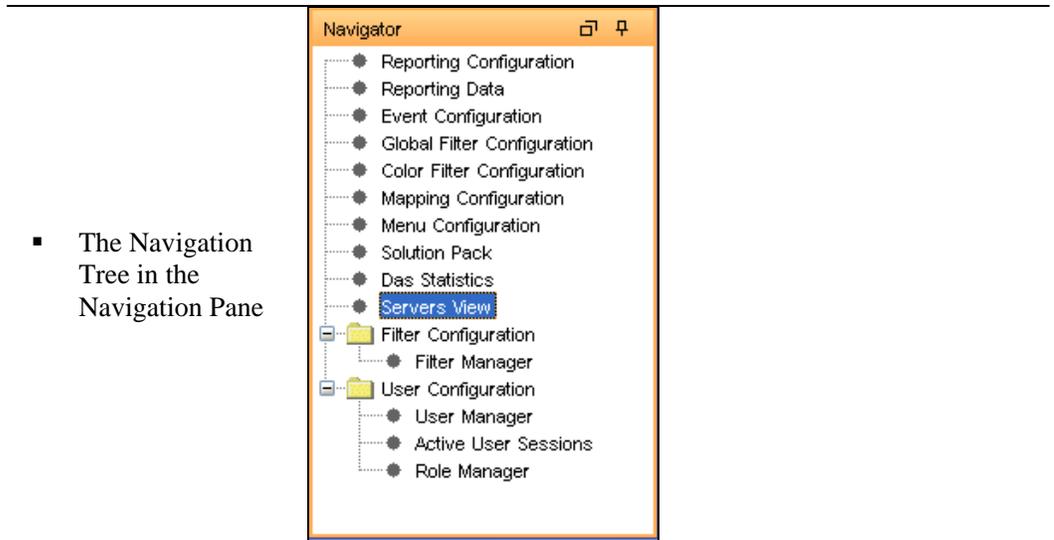
## Introduction to User Interface

In *Admin* tab, you can see *Server views*, *Filter Configuration* and *User Configuration* in the *Admin Navigator*.

You can navigate to these functions from:

- The Admin menu in the Menu Bar





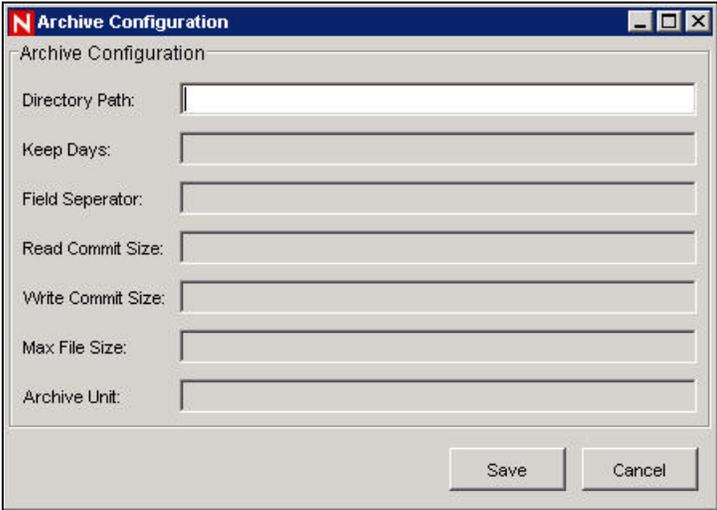
*Table 10-1: Admin Tab- User Interface*

## Archive Configuration Tab

*Archive Configuration* tab allows you to specify directory path for archiving of the partitions.

To open Archive Configuration:

1. Click *Admin* on the Menu Bar and select *Archive Configuration*. Alternatively, click *Archive Configuration* button in the Tool Bar.



*Figure 10-2: Archive Configuration window*

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**NOTE:** *Archive Configuration* can be enabled from *User Manager*. Only an Administrator has controls to enable/disable access to this feature.

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## Reporting Configuration Options for Analysis and Advisor Reports

To configure the URL for Analysis and Advisor Reports:

1. Click *Admin* tab.
2. In the *Admin Navigator*, click *Reporting Configuration*.

### **For Crystal Enterprise Server running on Windows:**

- In the Analysis URL box, specify the URL for the Crystal Enterprise Server and click *Refresh*.

```
http://<hostname_or_IP_of_web_server>/GetReports.asp?APS=<hostname>&user=Guest&password=&tab=Analysis
```

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**NOTE:** <hostname\_or\_IP\_of\_web\_server> must be replaced with the IP address or hostname of the Crystal Enterprise Server.

**NOTE:** The URL above will not work properly if the APS is set to the IP Address. It must be the host name.

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- In the Advisor URL box, specify the URL for the Crystal Enterprise Server and click *Refresh*.

```
http://<hostname_or_IP_of_web_server>/GetReports.asp?APS=<hostname>&user=Guest&password=&tab=Advisor
```

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**NOTE:** <hostname\_or\_IP\_of\_web\_server> must be replaced with the IP address or hostname of the Crystal Enterprise Server.

**NOTE:** The URL above will not work properly if the APS is set to the IP Address. It must be the host name.

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**NOTE:** For more information, see [Crystal Reports for Windows](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.

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### **For Crystal Enterprise Server running on Linux (SUSE and Red Hat):**

- In the Analysis URL box, specify the URL for the Crystal Enterprise Server and click *Refresh*.

```
http://<hostname_or_IP_of_web_server>:<web_server_port_default_8080>/esec-script/GetReports.jsp?APS=<hostname>&user=Guest&password=&tab=Analysis
```

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**NOTE:** <hostname\_or\_IP\_of\_web\_server> must be replaced with the IP address or hostname of the Crystal Enterprise Server.

**NOTE:** The URL above will not work properly if the APS is set to the IP Address. It must be the host name.

**NOTE:** <web\_server\_port\_default\_8080> must be replaced with the port of the Crystal Web server is listening on.

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- In the Advisor URL box, specify the URL for the Crystal Enterprise Server and click *Refresh*.

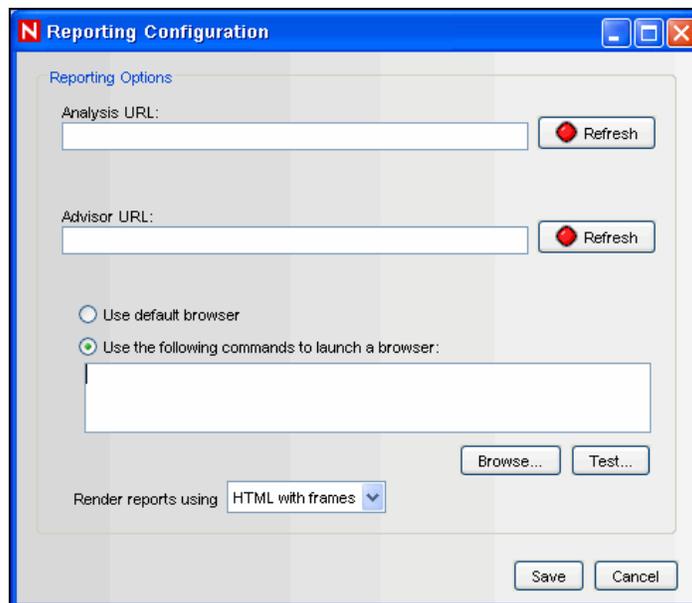
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http://<hostname_or_IP_of_web_server>:<web_server_port_default_8080>/esec-script/GetReports.jsp?APS=<hostname>&user=Guest&password=&tab=Advisor
```

**NOTE:** <hostname\_or\_IP\_of\_web\_server> must be replaced with the IP address or hostname of the Crystal Enterprise Server.

**NOTE:** The URL above will not work properly if the APS is set to the IP Address. It must be the host name.

**NOTE:** <web\_server\_port\_default\_8080> must be replaced with the port of the Crystal Web server is listening on.

**NOTE:** For more information, see [Crystal Reports for Linux](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.



**Figure 10-3:** Reporting Configuration window

You can select *Use default browser* to use your default browser or select *Use the following commands to launch a browser* to specify a command to launch a browser. When using a browser other than the default browser, your command line must be followed by a %URL%. For example:

```
C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\IEXPLORE.EXE
%URL%
```

3. Wait for the *Refresh* button to turn green and click *Save*. You must logout of the Sentinel Control Center and login again.

## Server Views

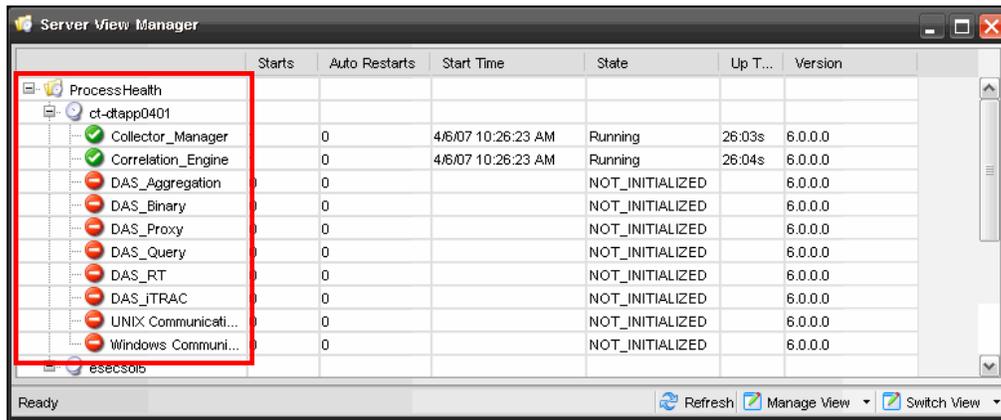
Through Server view you can Start/Stop/Restart the processes that get installed on the product installation. Server Views allows you to monitor the status of all Sentinel Server processes across the system. The following are the Sentinel Server processes:

- Collector\_Manager
- Correlation\_Engine
- DAS\_Aggregation
- DAS\_Binary
- DAS\_Proxy
- DAS\_Query
- DAS\_RT
- DAS\_iTRAC
- Unix Communication Server
- Windows Communication Server

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**NOTE:** Windows Communication Server and Unix Communication Server will run for their respective platform.

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**Figure 10-4:** Server View window

- **Start, stop or restart processes:** These actions can be taken on a process by right clicking on the process entry.

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**NOTE:** The options in the right click actions on the Windows Communication Server and Unix Communication Server are not enabled because stopping these Communication Server will result in losing contact with all of the processes.

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The terms *Starts* and *AutoRestarts*, in the context of the *Server View*, are defined as follows:

- **Starts:** The number of times the process was started, for whatever reason. This includes starts initiated by the user through the GUI or done automatically.
- **AutoRestarts:** The number of times the process was automatically restarted. Because this only applies to purely automatic restart scenarios, it does not apply to restarts initiated by a user. This field is helpful for determining if the process exited (For example, because of an error) and was automatically restarted by Sentinel Watchdog.

## Monitoring a Process

To Monitor a Process:

1. Click the *Admin* tab.

Click *Servers View*. Alternatively, in *Navigator* click *Servers View > Servers View*. You can also click *Servers View* icon.



2. Expand the server view. All the processes will list as shown in the above figure.

## Creating a Servers View

To Create a Servers View:

1. Click the *Admin* tab.  
Click *Servers View*. Alternatively, in *Navigator* click *Servers View > Servers View*. You can also click *Server View* icon.



2. To create a new view, on the bottom right corner click *Manage View* drop down arrow. Click *Add View*.
  - Specify your Option Name
  - To arrange which fields you want to be shown, click *Fields*
  - To group different attributes, click *GroupBy*
  - To sort by different attributes, click *Sort*
  - To filter, click *Filter*
  - To change the display values of the processes shown in the servers view, click *Leaf Attribute*
3. Click *Save*.

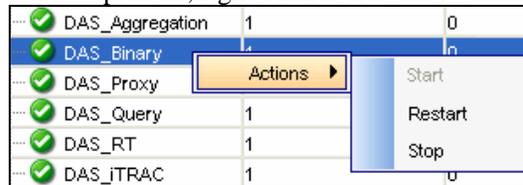
## Starting, Stopping and Restarting Processes

To Start, Stop and Restart Processes:

1. Click the *Admin* tab.  
Click *Servers View*. Alternatively, in *Navigator* click *Servers View > Servers View*. You can also click *Servers View* icon.



2. Expand the servers view. All the processes will list as shown in the above figure. Select a process, right-click > *Actions > select a function (Start, Restart or Stop)*.



**Figure 10-5:** Action selection

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**NOTE:** You cannot stop the Windows Communication Server and Unix Communication Server using this feature.

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## Filters

Filters allow you to process data based on specific criteria for events in real-time and for users of the system. Filters enable you to manage data seen in the Sentinel Control Center. The Filter Engine drives the *Real Time Event* windows by maintaining the data structure for each security filter. Filters prevent users from viewing unauthorized events and drop events that users don't want to see. Filters are created in the Admin tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

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**NOTE:** The following are invalid filter name characters: \$ # . \* & : < > .

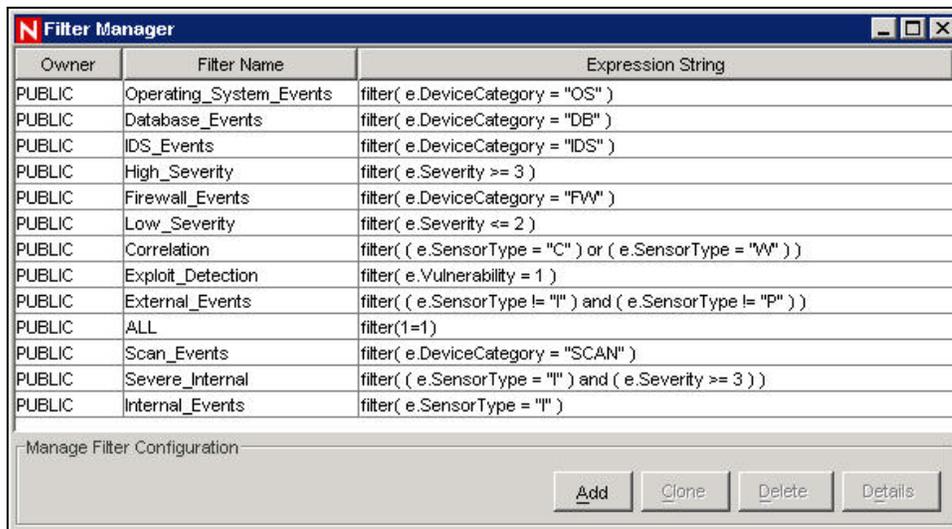
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There are three types of filters:

- “Public Filters”
- “Private Filters”
- “Global Filters”

## Public Filters

Public filters are system-owned. Public filters can be used as security filters or display filters. Security filters are based on user permissions. Display filters determine which events are depicted in the real time event tables, charts and graphs.



Owner	Filter Name	Expression String
PUBLIC	Operating_System_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "OS" )
PUBLIC	Database_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "DB" )
PUBLIC	IDS_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "IDS" )
PUBLIC	High_Severity	filter( e.Severity >= 3 )
PUBLIC	Firewall_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "FW" )
PUBLIC	Low_Severity	filter( e.Severity <= 2 )
PUBLIC	Correlation	filter( ( e.SensorType = "C" ) or ( e.SensorType = "W" ) )
PUBLIC	Exploit_Detection	filter( e.Vulnerability = 1 )
PUBLIC	External_Events	filter( ( e.SensorType != "I" ) and ( e.SensorType != "P" ) )
PUBLIC	ALL	filter(1=1)
PUBLIC	Scan_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "SCAN" )
PUBLIC	Severe_Internal	filter( ( e.SensorType = "I" ) and ( e.Severity >= 3 ) )
PUBLIC	Internal_Events	filter( e.SensorType = "I" )

Manage Filter Configuration

Add Clone Delete Details

Figure 10-6: Filter Manager window

## Private Filters

Private filters are user-owned. Private filters are display filters and are shareable if you have the View Private Filters permission.

## Global Filters

Global filters are classified as Public Filters. Global filters are processed at the Collector Manager sequentially for each event until a match is found. Global filter evaluation stops for that event and the matched global filter action is taken for that event. The order of evaluation of global filters is top to bottom, as shown in the Console. They can be enabled or disabled as needed.

Global filters do the following:

- Enable a global action on events, such dropping events, routing events to the database only or routing events to the database and the Sentinel Control Center or Routing events only to GUI or Sentinel Control Center
- Are processed by *Collector Manager*
- Are configured in the *Admin* tab under the *Global Filter Configuration* option where they can be enabled and disabled
- Drop events
- Can route events to the database only
- Can route events to the database and to the Sentinel Control Center

- Can route events only to Sentinel Control Center

Through the *Global Configuration* window, you can:

- “Create Global Filter”
- “Rearrange a Global Filter”
- “Delete a Global Filter”

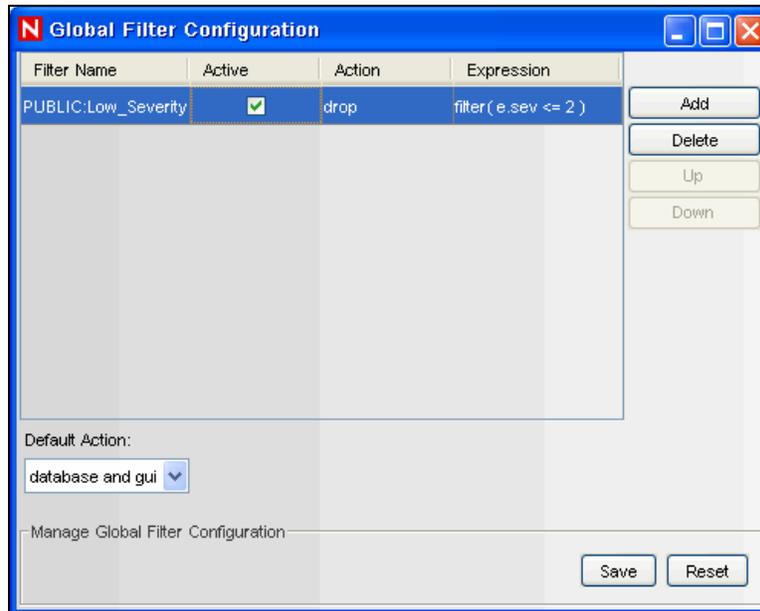


Figure 10-7: Global Filter Configuration

## Creating a Global Filter

To Create a Global Filter:

1. Click the *Admin* tab.
2. Click *Admin > Global Filter Configuration* or select *Global Filter Configuration* in the navigation tree.
3. In the *Global Configuration* window, click *Add*.
4. In the new blank row, click *Filter Name* column.
5. Select a filter and click *Select* or *Add* (if you need to create a filter).
6. In the *Active* column, click *Active* box.
7. In the *Action* column, select the action that the global filter will have on events that pass this global filter. If an event does not meet any of the active global filters, then the default action determines how the event is handled.

You can set the Default Action box to one of the following:

- **drop:** Events will not go to the Sentinel Control Center or the Sentinel Server database
  - **database:** Events will be sent directly to the database, bypassing the Sentinel Control Center
  - **database and gui:** Events will be sent to the Sentinel Control Center and Sentinel Server database
  - **gui only:** Events will be sent to the Sentinel Control Center.
8. Continue adding filters until you have completed adding all the required filters.

9. Click *Save*.

## Rearranging Global Filters

To Rearrange Global Filters:

1. In the *Global Configuration* window, Select a filter and click *Up* or *Down* to move it to a different location on the list.
2. Click *Save*.

## Deleting a Global Filter

**NOTE:** When deleting a Global Filter, the confirmation message will not display.

To delete a global filter:

1. In the *Global Configuration* window, Select a filter from the list and click *Delete*.
2. Click *Save*.

## Configuring Public and Private Filters

Configuring Public and Private filters allow you to:

- “Add a Filter”
- “Clone a Filter”
- “Modify a Filter”
- “View the Details of a Filter”
- “Delete a Filter”

Owner	Filter Name	Expression String
PUBLIC	Operating_System_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "OS" )
PUBLIC	Database_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "DB" )
PUBLIC	IDS_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "IDS" )
PUBLIC	High_Severity	filter( e.Severity >= 3 )
PUBLIC	Firewall_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "FW" )
PUBLIC	Low_Severity	filter( e.Severity <= 2 )
PUBLIC	Correlation	filter( ( e.SensorType = "C" ) or ( e.SensorType = "W" ) )
PUBLIC	Exploit_Detection	filter( e.Vulnerability = 1 )
PUBLIC	External_Events	filter( ( e.SensorType != "I" ) and ( e.SensorType != "P" ) )
PUBLIC	ALL	filter(1=1)
PUBLIC	Scan_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "SCAN" )
PUBLIC	Severe_Internal	filter( ( e.SensorType = "I" ) and ( e.Severity >= 3 ) )
PUBLIC	Internal_Events	filter( e.SensorType = "I" )

Manage Filter Configuration

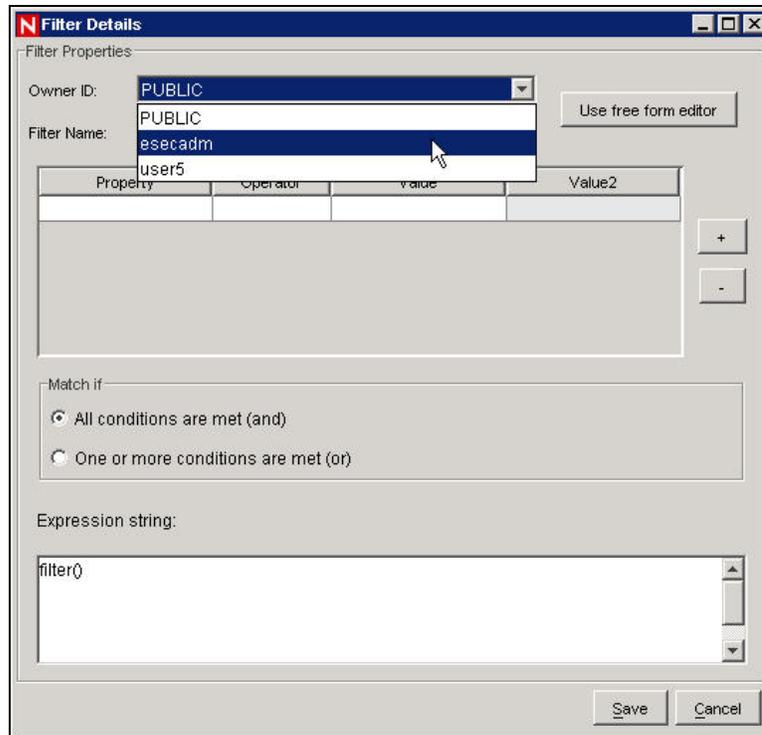
Add Clone Delete Details

*Figure 10-8: Filter Manager window*

## Adding a Filter

To add a public and private filter:

1. Click *Admin > Filter Manager* or select *File Manager* under the *Filter Configuration* folder in the *Navigator*; Click *Add*.
2. Select an *Owner ID* (public or private [user owned]).



**Figure 10-9:** Filter Details window

3. Specify a Filter Name.
4. The table editor is the default selection for editing the contents.

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**NOTE:** Optionally, you can click Use free form editor to display a free form editor. The free form editor allows you to create complex expressions not possible with the table editor. However, after the expression is modified with the free form editor, the table editor cannot be used with the expression.

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5. Select the criteria for the following columns:
  - Property
  - Operator
  - Value columns.
 Your choices displays in the Expression string box.
6. In the Match if box, click either:
  - All conditions are met (and)
  - One or more conditions are met (or)
7. To create another filter expression, click *Create a New Filter Expression (+)* to add another row to the filter expression table.
8. To remove a filter expression, select a filter expression from the table and click *Remove the Selected Expression (-)*.
9. Click *Save*.

### To Clone a Public and Private filter

Cloning is a convenient way to duplicate a filter to assure consistency of criteria among a group of filters or users.

To clone a public and private filter:

1. Open the *Filter Manager* window.
2. Click *Clone*.
3. Provide a new filter name.
4. Change any the original filter's criteria.
5. Click *Save*.

## Modifying a Public and Private Filter

To modify a Public and Private filter:

1. Open the *Filter Manager* window.
2. Select a filter and click *Details*.
3. Change any of the criteria as desired. You will not be able to change the Owner ID and the *Filter Name*.
4. Click *Save*.

## Viewing the Details of a Public and Private Filter

To view a public or private filter:

1. Open the *Filter Manager* window.
2. Select a filter and click *Details*.

## Deleting a Public and Private Filter

To delete a Public and Private filter:

1. Open the *Filter Manager* window.
2. Select a filter and click *Delete*.
3. A confirmation window displays. Click *Yes* in delete confirmation dialog.

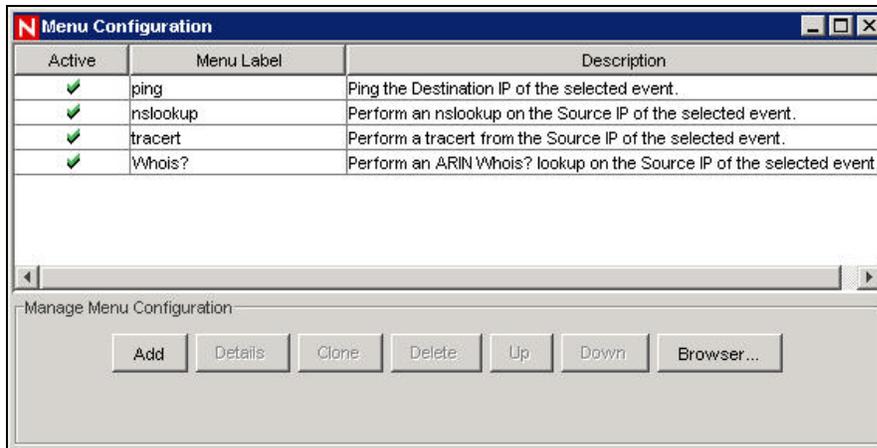
## Configure Menu Options

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**NOTE:** To use this feature, you must have the user permission Menu Configuration.

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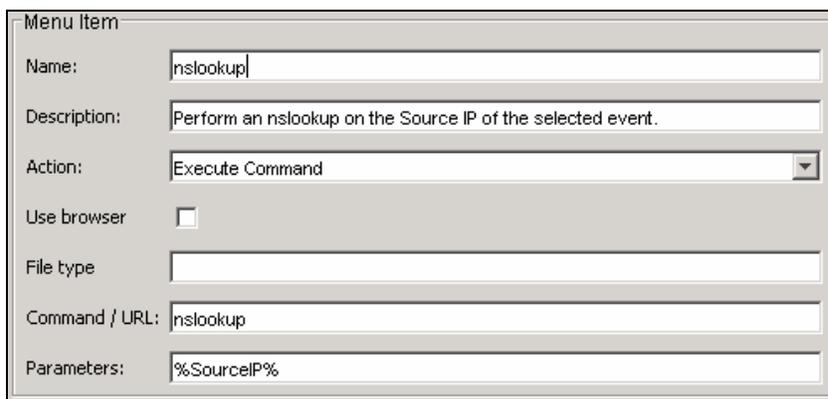
Use the *Menu Configuration* window to create the menu items that appear on the Event menu, which is available by right-click when a single event is selected in any table displaying an event (for example, an *Active View* window, *Snapshot* window, *Incidents Events* window, or *Offline Query* window). Sentinel has the following default Menu Configuration items that you can clone, activate or deactivate:



**Figure 10-10: Menu Configuration**

- **Ping:** Ping the destination IP of the selected event
- **nslookup:** Perform an nslookup on the Source IP of the selected event
- **traceroute (tracert on Microsoft SQL 2005):** Perform a traceroute from the Source IP of the selected event to the Sentinel Server
- **Whois?:** Perform an ARIN Whois? lookup on the Source IP of the selected event

To view the configuration details for any of these options, select the item and click *Details*. The following is the nslookup configuration.



**Figure 10-11: Menu Item**

In addition, new options can be customized to execute a command or open a Web browser.

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**NOTE:** The scripts, commands, or applications must be available in \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec (on UNIX) or %ESEC\_HOME%\config\exec (on Windows). Symbolic links are not supported on UNIX.

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Menu Configuration allows you to:

- “Adding an Option to the Menu Configuration Menu”
- “Cloning a Menu Configuration Option”
- “Modifying a Menu Configuration Option”
- “Viewing a Menu Configuration Option’s Parameters”
- “Activating or Deactivating a Menu Configuration Option”
- “Rearranging Event Menu Options”
- “Deleting a Menu Configuration Option”
- “Editing Your Menu Configuration Browser Setting”

## Adding an Option to the Menu Configuration Menu

To execute a command from the right-click menu:

1. Click *Admin* tab.
2. In the *Admin Navigator*, click *Admin > Menu Configuration*.
3. Click *Add*.
4. In the *Menu Configuration* dialog box, specify:
  - **Name:** Provide a name for the command. To place the command in a folder, provide [foldername]/[commandname].
  - **Description**
  - **Action:** Execute Command
  - **Use browser:** Select this option to open the output of your command using the default browser.

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**NOTE:** This option is only available if your menu configuration browser settings are set to *Use Default Browser*. For more information, see [“Editing Your Menu Configuration Browser Settings.”](#)

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- **File Type:** If you selected the Action *Execute Command*, your Browser settings are setup to *Use Default Browser*, and you selected the option *Use the following commands to launch a browser*, you have the option of setting the File Type for the output of this command.
- **Command /URL**
  - For UNIX, the script/application must be located in the \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec directory. For any script or application only specify the command. Any path specified will be ignored.

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**NOTE:** For Windows (Correlation), the script/application must be located in one of the directories listed in your Windows Environmental Variables. Any path specified will be ignored.

**NOTE:** For Windows (non-Correlation), specifying a path is optional. Specifying a command without a path will default to %ESEC\_HOME%\bin and all other paths specified in your environmental variables.

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- **Parameters:** Parameter must be enclosed by percent signs (for example, %EventName%).

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**NOTE:** For a list of available tags you can use when specifying parameters, click *Help* on the Menu Configuration dialog box or see [Sentinel Meta-tags](#) in [Sentinel User Reference Guide](#). However, if you have renamed a tag, such as renaming CustomerVar24 to PolicyName, you must use the new name when setting parameters.

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5. Click *OK*. The new option is added to the list of menu items in the *Menu Configuration* window.

To open a Web page from the right-click menu:

1. Click *Admin* tab.
2. In the *Admin Navigator*, click *Admin > Menu Configuration*.
3. Click *Add*.
4. In the Menu Configuration dialog box, specify:

- **Name:** Specify a name for the command. To place the command in a folder, provide [foldername]/[commandname].
- **Description**
- **Action:** Launch Web Browser.
- **Command / URL:** Provide the URL for the Web site.
- **Parameters:** Parameter must be enclosed by percent signs (for example, %EventName%)

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**NOTE:** For a list of available tags you can use when specifying parameters, click *Help* on the Menu Configuration dialog box or see [Sentinel Meta-tags](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*. However, if you have renamed a tag, such as renaming CustomerVar24 to PolicyName, you must use the new name when setting parameters.

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5. Click *OK*. The new option is added to the list of menu items in the *Menu Configuration* window.

## Cloning a Menu Configuration Option

To clone a Menu Configuration option:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Select a menu item from the table and click *Clone*.
3. In the *Menu Configuration* dialog box, edit:
  - Name
  - Description
  - Action
  - To use a browser or not. For information, see “[Add a browser feature to your Menu Configuration Option](#)”.
  - Command/URL
  - Parameters
  - Select an action:
    - Execute Command
    - Launch Web Browser.

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**NOTE:** For a list of available tags you can use when specifying parameters, click *Help* on the Menu Configuration dialog box or see [Sentinel Meta-tags](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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4. Click *OK*. The new option is added to the list of menu items in the *Menu Configuration* window.

## Modifying a Menu Configuration Option

To modify a Menu Configuration option:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Double-click a menu option.
3. Type your desired changes and click *OK*.

## Viewing Menu Configuration Option Parameters

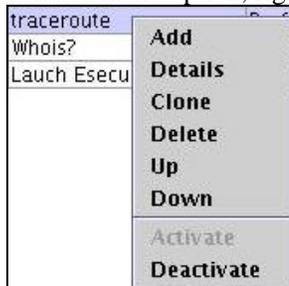
To view the parameters for a Menu Configuration menu option:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Highlight a menu item and click *Details*.

## Activating or Deactivating a Menu Configuration Option

To activate or deactivate a Menu Configuration option:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.  
Select a menu option, right-click and select either *Activate* or *Deactivate*.



*Figure 10-12: Activate/Deactivate*

## Rearranging Event Menu Options

To move an Event menu option up or down:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Select a menu option and click *Up* or *Down*.

## Deleting a Menu Configuration Option

To delete a Menu Configuration option:

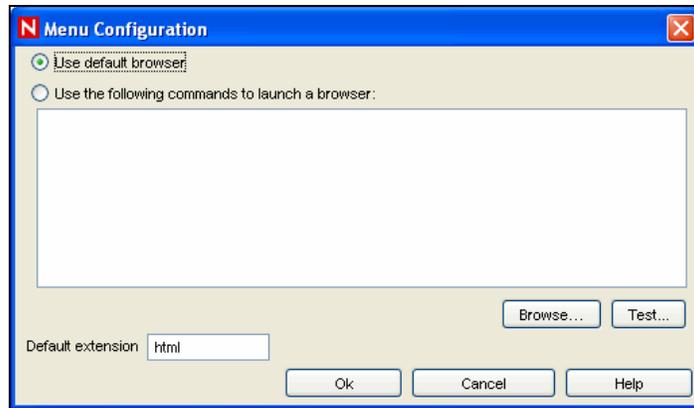
1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Select a menu option and click *Delete*.
  - Click *Yes* to delete the menu option
  - Click *No* to retain the menu option

## Editing Your Menu Configuration Browser Settings

This option allows you to send your Menu Configuration Option output to an external browser. The external browser can be any application. It is not restricted to Internet Browsers. By changing the file extension you can launch whatever application is associated with that extension. For example, txt is often associated with Notepad. You can also select to launch a specific program (for example, you can set txt files to be opened by wordpad or other editor).

To Edit your Menu Configuration Browser Settings:

1. Open the *Menu Configuration* window.
2. Click *Browser*.



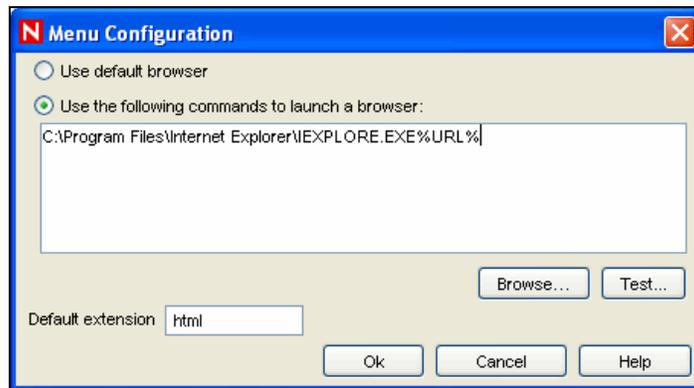
**Figure 10-13:** Menu Configuration-Use default browser

You can select from the following two options:

- **Use default browser:** Uses the default browser set in that particular machine. For example, in windows, “Internet Explorer”.
- **Use the following commands to launch a browser:** Allows you to specify a specific application to launch. When using a browser other than the default browser, your command line must be followed by a %URL%. For example:

```
C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\IEXPLORE.EXE
%URL%
```

The following is an example where the output of the Menu Option launches into Internet Explorer.



**Figure 10-14:** Menu Configuration-Use the commands to launch a browser

3. After you set your configuration, click *OK*.

## DAS Statistics

This feature is for internal monitoring of your system. It is not intended for the average user. DAS Statistics monitors the following:

- DAS\_Binary
- DAS\_Query
- DAS\_rt
- Collector\_Manager
- Correlation\_Engine
- DAS\_iTRAC

Statistics are broken down as follows:

- **Service:** Name of service such as DAS\_Query
- **Time:** Time since the last update
- **num:** Number of requests processed for this entry
- **WaitTime:** Average wait time in seconds for a request before its processing starts
- **Runtime:** Average time to process a request (in seconds)
- **#wait:** Average size of the wait queue
- **#run:** Average size of the run queue

The information is divided into 3 sections:

- Requests
- Services
- ThreadPools

Under Requests it keeps all the requests by channel (such as services.CorrelationService). Under services it does the same by service. Sometimes it provides a breakdown by appending “<category>” under the name, such as Services.CorrelationService or Services.RemoteObjectService.EMap.getMapPK.

Under Services, all the remote method calls from user defined services (your XML services) are all under services.RemoteObjectService. Under that it puts the name of the service (EMap) in the above example and if asked, the name of the method (getMapPK in the above).

When a request is received by a server, such as DAS Query, a task is created and scheduled. The task is then assigned to a thread pool for execution. There can be more than one thread pool and a thread pool can service multiple services. For that reason, a request needs to wait for an available thread even if the service is not heavily used. If the statistics indicate that the wait time for a request is large and the number of requests for that service is low, check the information about the thread pools.

The numbers next to an entry are the sum for all its children. So requests 15 means that there are 15 requests for all requests method calls. Under that, requests.configurations 1 means that 1 of the 15 are to configurations, requests.esecurity.correlation.config 2 means that 2 of the 15 are to esecurity.correlation.config and so on.

Service	Time	Name	Num	VWait (sec)	Run (sec)	#Waiting	#Running
DAS_RT-0049E98C-DD...	9:00:00 AM						
		ThreadPools	931	0.000	0.211	0.0	0.1
		ThreadPools.Def...	7	0.005	0.096	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.Def...	7	0.005	0.096	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.RTE...	5	0.009	37.498	0.0	0.1
		ThreadPools.RTE...	5	0.009	37.498	0.0	0.1
		ThreadPools.RTI...	547	0.000	0.015	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.RTI...	4	0.000	0.136	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.RTI...	0			0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.RTI...	4	0.000	0.000	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.RTI...	539	0.000	0.014	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.Tim...	372	0.000	0.001	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.Tim...	6	0.000	0.000	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.Tim...	6	0.000	0.078	0.0	0.0
		ThreadPools.Tim...	360	0.000	0.000	0.0	0.0
		requests	371	0.001	0.006	0.0	0.0
		requests.esecuri...	7	0.044	0.096	0.0	0.0
		requests.ewizar...	364	0.000	0.004	0.0	0.0
		services	371	0.001	0.006	0.0	0.0
		services.EventSt...	364	0.000	0.004	0.0	0.0

Figure 10-15: Das Statistics window

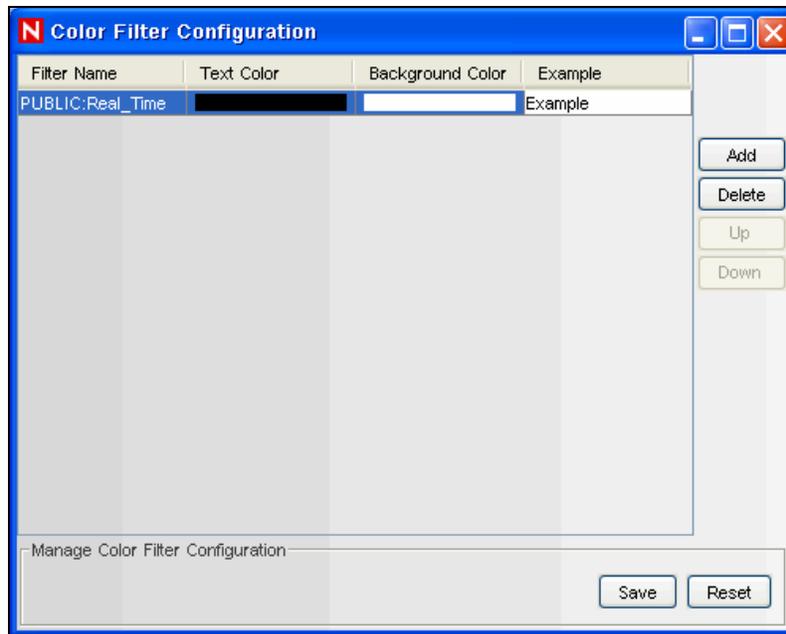
The information can be useful because it shows what is going on. The number of requests is especially useful, you can see where they are all going or concentrated. The #waiting is useful because it shows how busy the server is. That number should be small. If it is large, new requests (even for simple tasks) will need to wait for potentially slow ones. This is

not a good situation. The average run time is very important because it shows which requests are actually taking all the time, as opposed to waiting for others.

## Color Filter Configuration

The *Color Filter Configuration* allows you to assign background and text colors to events in the Sentinel Control Center based on filter criteria. The background and text colors assigned to a filter apply to all Sentinel tables, including active views, event tables associated with Incidents, offline queries and historical event queries.

On applying a color filter, all the event tables are updated.



**Figure 10-16:** Color Filter Configuration

The *Color Filter Configuration* GUI displays a listing of all the color filters that are defined in the order in which they should be applied. If an event meets the criteria for more than one of the color filters, the topmost color filter configuration will be applied. For example, the following filter configurations are created and attached to color filter configuration:

- Color filter configuration 1: sev=2 (with background color red and text color yellow)
- Color filter configuration 2: sev>1 (with background color white and text color black)

Any event with severity=2 will meet the criteria for both color filters, but since the sev=2 color filter configuration is at the top, all the events with sev=2 will be coded as per color filter configuration 1. All the other events with sev>1 (For example, sev=3, 4, 5 and so on) will follow color filter configuration 2.

### Adding Color Filter

To add a color filter:

1. Click *Color Filter Configuration* in the navigation pane or click the *Color Filter Configuration* button.
2. Click *Add*. A new *Color Filter Configuration* row is created as shown below.

Filter Name	Text Color	Background Color	Example
			Example

Figure 10-17: Color Filter Configuration row

3. Click *Filter Name* drop down list. The *Filter Selection* window displays.
4. From the list, select a filter to which you want to apply the color filter configuration and click *Select* or click *Add* to create a new filter. For more information on configuring filters, see “Configuring Public and Private Filters”.

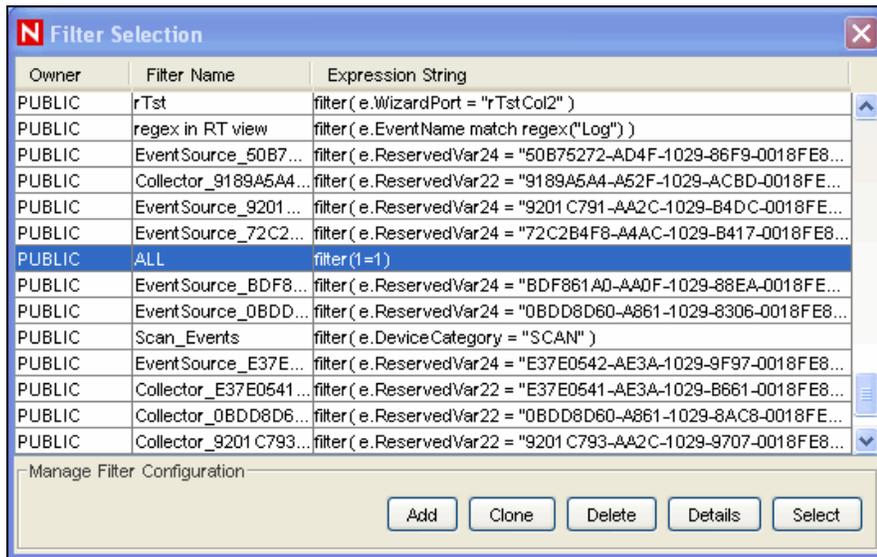


Figure 10-18: Filter Selection window

5. In the *Color Filter Configuration* window click *Text Color*. The *Pick a Color* window displays. Select a color from the *Swatches* tab. Alternatively, click *HSB* or *RGB* tab and specify the *HSB* or *RGB* color value in the respective tab. Click *OK*.

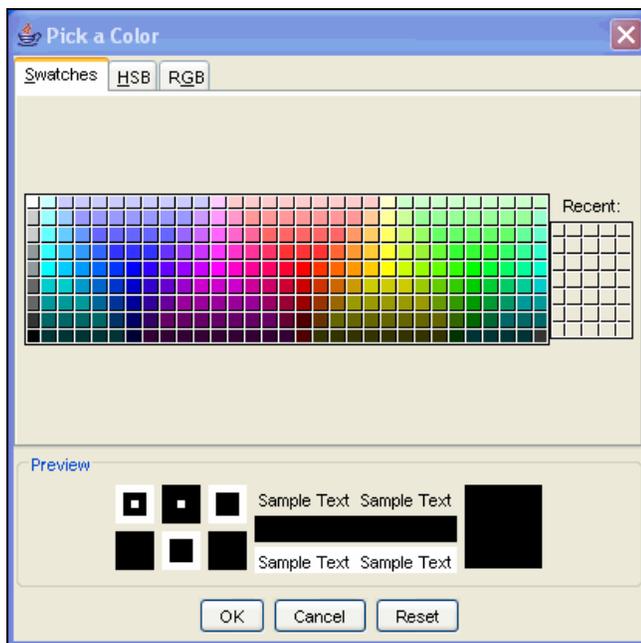


Figure 10-19: Color Selection window

6. In the *Color Filter Configuration* window, click *Background Color*. The *Pick a Color* window displays. Select a color from the *Swatches* tab. Alternatively, click *HSB* or *RGB* tab and specify *HSB* or *RGB* color value in the respective tab. Click *OK*.
7. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** The order of the color filter configuration row in the *Color Filter Configuration* window matters. In the case where more than one color filter definition applies to an event, the formatting for the topmost color filter takes precedence.

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## Deleting Color Filter

To delete a color filter:

1. Click *Color Filter Configuration* in the navigation pane.
2. Select a *Color Filter Configuration* row and click *Delete*.

## Setting Color Filter Priorities

To set priority for a color filter:

1. Click *Color Filter Configuration* in the navigation pane or click the *Color Filter Configuration* button.
2. Select a *Color Filter Configuration* row.
3. Click *Up* or *Down* button to set the priority.

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**NOTE:** The *Up* and *Down* button will be active only when there is more than one color filter configuration row available in the *Color Filter Configuration* window.

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## Mapping

A map is a collection of values and keys defined in a CSV or text file. You can enrich your data by using maps. With the help of maps you can add additional information to the incoming events from your source device. This additional information which was not present can be used for correlation and reporting.

You can create your custom maps in addition to the default maps available. You can use event mapping which allows you to add additional data to an event by using data already present in the event and by referencing and pulling data from an outside source. For more information, see “[Event Configuration](#)” and “[Event Mapping](#)”.

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**NOTE:** In order to do Mapping, your `configuration.xml` file must be pointing to a Communication Server that has `DAS_Binary` and `DAS_Query` connected to it. This will normally be the case, by default, as long as the Communication Server and DAS processes are running.

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The *Mapping* tab allows you to:

- [Add new map definitions](#)
- [Edit map definitions](#)
- [Delete map definitions](#)
- [Update map data](#)

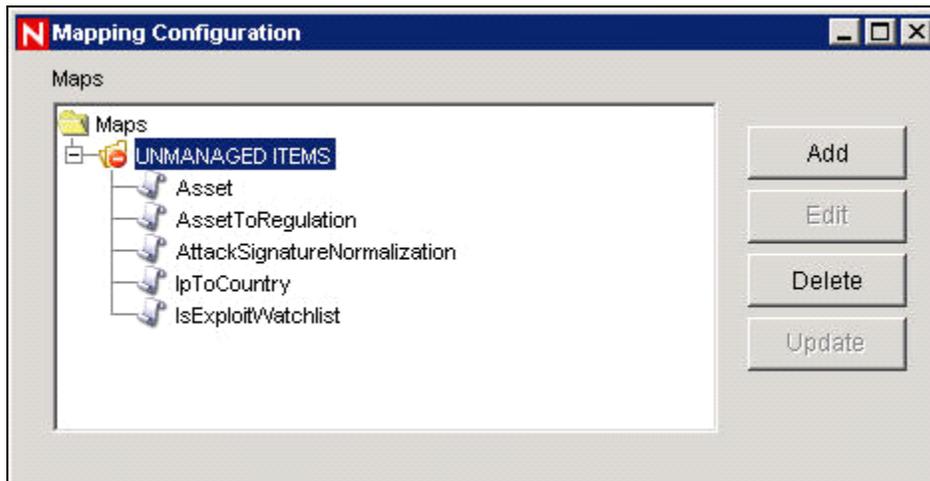
Mapping works together with the *Referenced from Map Data Source* option under [Event Configuration](#). You can map by using a string or number range. The following are the default maps available:

- **Asset:** Contains the data from the map data source file `asset.csv`. The `asset.csv` is automatically generated from asset data from Sentinel Database when an asset Collector is run. This file could be populated manually instead, if desired.
- **AssetToRegulation:** Contains the data from the map data source file `AssetToRegulation.csv`. This file must be populated manually.
- **AttackSignatureNormalization:** Contains the data from the map data source file `attackNormalization.csv` (IDS signatures). The `attackNormalization.csv` file is automatically generated from Advisor data from Sentinel Database when an Advisor feed is completed.
- **IpToCountry:** Contains the data from the map data source file `IpToCountry.csv`. This file must be populated manually.
- **IsExploitWatchlist:** Contains the data from the map data source file `exploitDetection.csv` (vulnerabilities and threats). The `exploitDetection.csv` file is automatically generated from Advisor and Vulnerability data from Sentinel Database when either an Advisor feed is completed or a vulnerability Collector is run.

To view maps in the GUI:

1. Navigate to *Admin* tab and select *Mapping Configuration* from the *Navigation*

pane or click *Mapping Configuration* button .



*Figure 10-20: Mapping Configuration window*

The main Mapping GUI displays a listing of all of the maps that have been defined for the system.

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**NOTE:** Maps under *UNMANAGED ITEMS* folder cannot be edited or deleted.

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## Adding Map Definitions

To add a map definition:

1. Navigate to *Admin* tab and select *Mapping Configuration* from the navigation pane or click *Mapping Configuration* button.
2. Click *Add*.

3. If you are creating a new map folder, click *New Dir*. Specify a folder name.

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**NOTE:** If this is your first map definition, it is recommended that you create a new map definition folder. Creating a map definition under the *UNMANAGED ITEMS* folder will not allow you to edit or delete your map definition.

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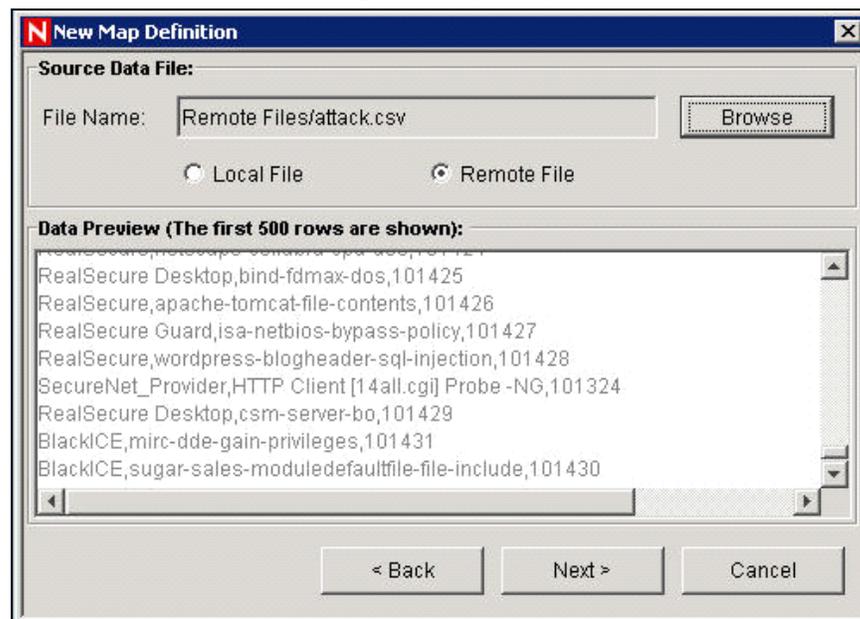
4. Ensure that the folder you want to provide your map definition into is selected. (that is, the folder indicates that it is open).
5. Specify your Map Name.
6. Click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** The Map Type field box is disabled.

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7. Select either Local File or Remote File.
  - **Local File:** Allows you to browse for your file on your local file system (on the machine where SDM was launched from).
  - **Remote File:** Allows you to select from existing map source data files on the server where DAS is running. Seven files that might already exist on the server (if Advisor is installed and Vulnerability data was uploaded) are *Asset*, *AssetToRegulation.csv*, *IpToCountry.csv*, *taxonomy.csv*, *CustomerToHierarchy.csv*, *attackNormalization.csv* and *exploitDetection.csv*. Remote file points to `%ESEC_HOME%\data\map_data` (Windows) or `$ESEC_HOME/data/map_data` (UNIX)



**Figure 10-21:** New Map Definition window-Source Data File

Select your map definition file. Click *Next*.

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**NOTE:** For map files that contain more than 500 lines, you will not see all the lines in the SDM.

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8. In the *New Map Definition* window, set the following:
  - **Delimiter:** (pipe, comma, semicolon and so on) of data in rows of the map data source file

- **Start at row:** The number of rows to skip from the top of the map data source file.
- Column names
- **Column types:** The currently supported column types are:
  - *String:* A string is a group of characters used as a single object by a computer. A string might consist of a single letter, word or number. The word FINANCE or IP Address 192.168.2.40 might be a string. A string can also consist of a combination of words, spaces, and numbers. The street address of 1313 LION DOG TOWER could be a string.
  - *Number Range:* A number range (NumberRange) is a range of numbers. For example, 10 to 200 are represented as 10-200. To use the range map functionality, a map definition must have exactly one key column and the key column must be of type NumberRange. If there are any other key columns, or the key column is of a different type, the mapping service will not consider the map a range map.
- **Active columns:** When a column is marked as active, the data in the column will be distributed to processes using maps. All key columns must be active. Only non-key columns that are active can be select as the *Map Column* under the *Events* tab.
- **Key columns:** A key is a unique identifier for the row of data in the map data. If more than one column is selected as a key, the overall key of the map will include all of the columns selected as keys.
- **Column filtering:** A row can be explicitly included or excluded based on matching criteria for a particular column. This can be used to exclude rows from the map source data that are not needed or will interfere with your mapping.

As you configure each setting and filter, the data table will automatically update to allow you to preview your data and ensure your data is being parsed as expected.

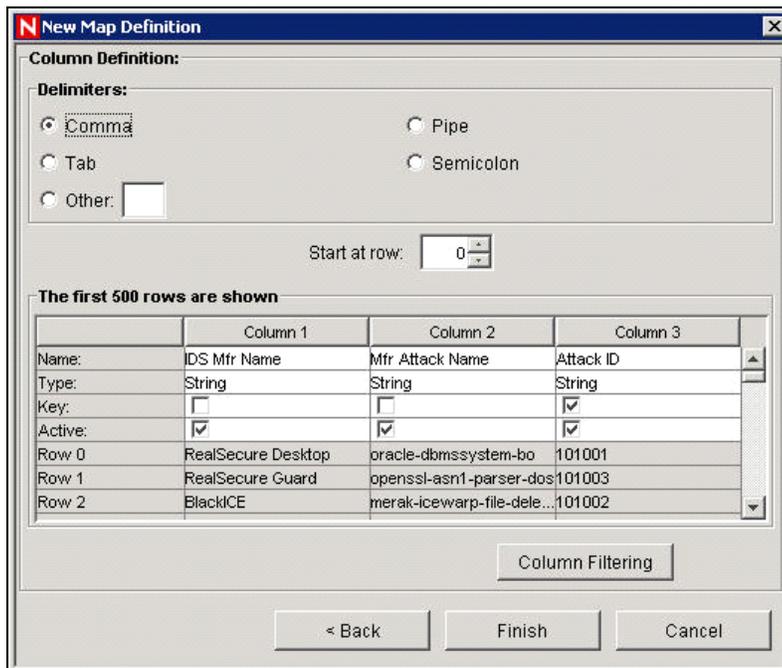


Figure 10-22: New Map Definition window-Column Definition

9. After you finish configuring all parameters and filters for the definition, click *Finish*.
10. If you selected Local File in step 7 above, you will be prompted to upload your file to the Remote Files virtual folder located: %ESEC\_HOME%\data\map\_data. Specify a file name and click *OK*.

## Adding a Number Range Map Definition

To use the range map functionality, a map definition must have exactly one key column and the key column must be of type NumberRange. If there are any other key columns, or the key column is of a different type, the mapping service will not consider the map a range map.

To create a range map, select a single column to be the key of the map and select *NumberRange* as the type of the column. The format of the data in a column of type *NumberRange* must be “m-n”, where m is the minimum number in the range and n is the maximum number in the range (that is, 10-200). The maximum number in the range is not included in the range (that is, [m,n)). This means a range of 10-200 will only key off numbers equal to 10 to 199. An example set of data is with the first column as the key:

```

1-2 , AA
2-4 , AA
4-12 , BB
10-20 , BB
30-31 , BB
100-200 , AA
110-120 , CC

```

The first 500 rows are shown

	Column 1	Column 2
Name:	Range	Value
Type:	NumberRange	String
Key:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Active:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Row 0	1-4	AA
Row 1	4-20	BB
Row 2	30-31	BB
Row 3	100-110	AA
Row 4	110-120	CC
Row 5	120-200	AA

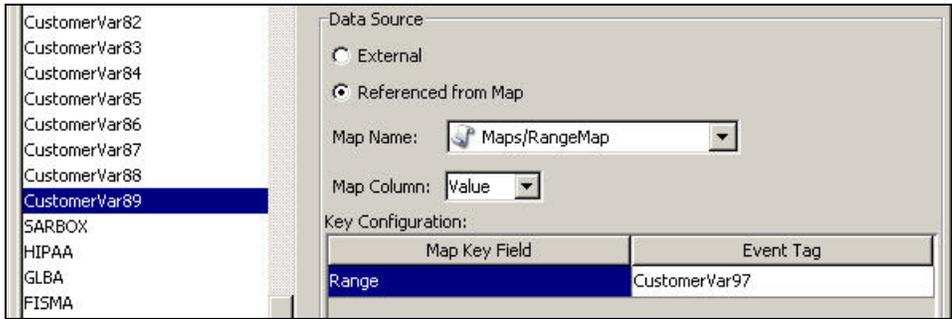
**Figure 10-23:** Number Range Map Definition

The example table gets transformed to:

FROM	TO:
1-2 , AA	1-4 , AA
2-4 , AA	4-20 , BB
4-12 , BB	30-31 , BB
10-20 , BB	100-110 , AA
30-31 , BB	110-120 , CC
100-200 , AA	120-200 , AA
110-120 , CC	

**Figure 10-24:** Table Transformation

An example event configuration on the above map might look like:



**Figure 10-25: Event Configuration**

Where CustomerVar97 is expected to contain a numeric value (or is of a type that can be converted to a numeric value, such as an IP or Date).

When performing lookups into the example range map, the value in CustomerVar97 will take the range map and search for the range that the value belongs in (if any). Some examples and their results are:

```
CustomerVar97 = 1; CustomerVar89 will be set to AA
CustomerVar97 = 4; CustomerVar89 will be set to BB
CustomerVar97 = 300; CustomerVar89 will not be set
```

Internally, Sentinel converts IP addresses and dates to an integer for tags of the type IPv4 and Date.

IPv4 tags are:

- DestinationIP (dip)
- SourceIP (sip)

Date tags are:

- CustomerVar11 to CustomerVar20 (cv11 to cv20)
- DateTime (dt)
- ReservedVar11 to ReservedVar20 (rv11 to rv20)
- DeviceEventTime
- SentinelProcessTime
- BeginTime
- EndTime

For more information on meta-tags, see [Sentinel Meta-tags](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

For example, for the table below, column 1 is numerical range equivalent to an IP range of 10.0.0.0 to 10.0.2.255.

```
167772160-167772415 , AAA
167772416-167772671 , BBB
167772672-167772927 , CCC
```

Using the same setup as the previous example, if:

- The Event Tag is set to DestinationIP and key column set to column 1 (range)
- Map Column to column 2 (value). The output values for CustomerVar89.

The first 500 rows are shown

	Column 1	Column 2
Name:	range	value
Type:	NumberRange	String
Key:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Active:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Row 0	167772160-167772415	AAA
Row 1	167772416-167772671	BBB
Row 2	167772672-167772927	CCC

**Figure 10-26:** Number Range Map Definition

CustomerVar87	Data Source				
CustomerVar88	<input type="radio"/> External				
CustomerVar89	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Referenced from Map				
SARBOX	Map Name: <input type="text" value="Maps/e-Security/qwerty"/>				
HIPAA	Map Column: <input type="text" value="value"/>				
GLBA	Key Configuration:				
FISMA	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Map Key Field</th> <th>Event Tag</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>range</td> <td>DestinationIP</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Map Key Field	Event Tag	range	DestinationIP
Map Key Field	Event Tag				
range	DestinationIP				
NISPOM					
SIPCountry					
DIPCountry					
CustomerVar97					

**Figure 10-27:** Event Configuration

If an event contains a destination IP of 10.0.1.14 (equivalent to numerical value of 167772430), the output for column CustomerVar89 within the event will be BBB.

Sentinel supports the following number ranges:

- Range from negative number to negative number (for example, “-234—34”)
- Range from negative number to positive number (for example, “-234-34”)
- Range from positive number to positive number (for example, “234-236”)
- Single number range (negative) (for example, “-234”). In this case, the min and the max will both be -234.
- Single number range (positive) (for example, “234”). In this case, the min and the max will both be 234.
- Range from negative number to max number (for example, “-234-”). In this case, the min will be -234 and the max will be  $(2^{63} - 1)$ .
- Range from positive number to max number (for example, “234-”). In this case, the min will be 234 and the max will be  $(2^{63} - 1)$ .

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**NOTE:** In all cases, the min must be less than or equal to the max (for example, “-234—235” is NOT valid).

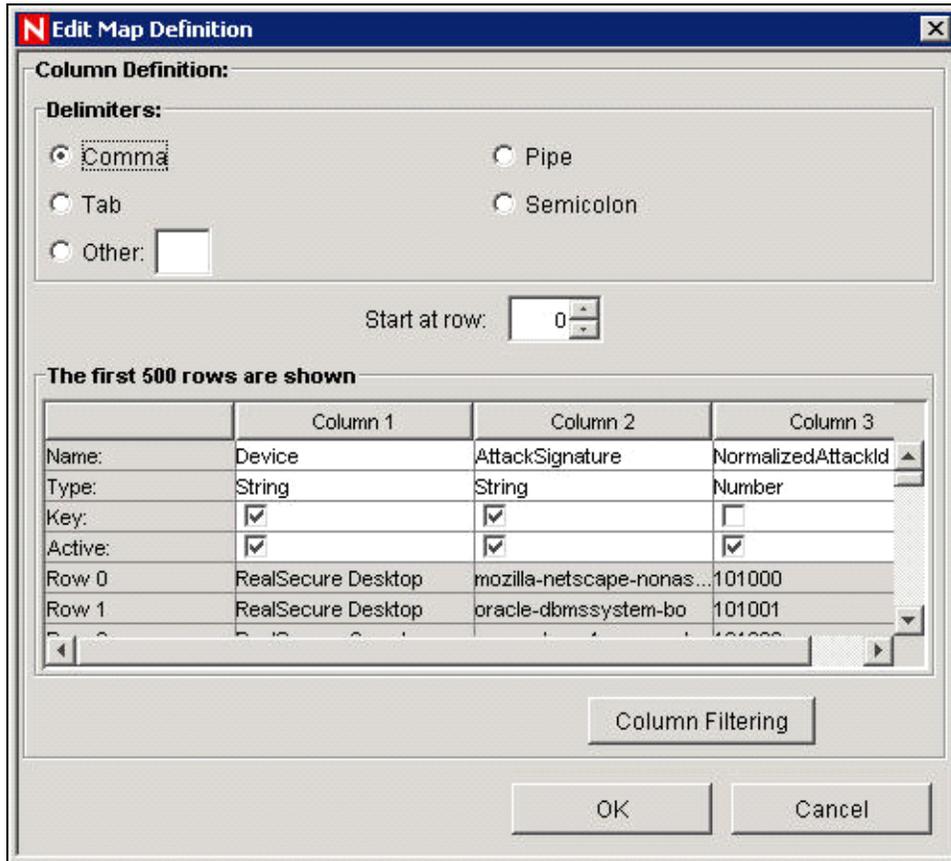
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## Editing Map Definitions

To edit a map definition:

1. Navigate to *Admin* tab and select *Mapping Configuration* from the navigation pane or click *Mapping Configuration* button.
2. Expand the folder of interest.
3. Highlight a map definition and click *Edit*.

**NOTE:** The editing function is disabled for map definitions that are under the UNMANAGED ITEMS folder.



**Figure 10-28:** Edit Map Definition window

The edit function allows you to:

- set your delimiters
- set which row to start your map
- rename your columns
- activate or deactivate a column
- set your column keys
- column filter

4. After making your changes, Click *OK*.

## Deleting Map Definitions

To delete a map definition:

1. Navigate to *Admin* tab and select *Mapping Configuration* from the navigation pane or click *Mapping Configuration* button.
2. Expand the folder of interest.
3. Highlight the map definition to be deleted.
4. Click *Delete*.

**NOTE:** Map definitions under the *UNMANAGED ITEMS* folder cannot be deleted.

## Updating Map Data

Updating allows you to replace the map source data file of a map on the server running DAS with another file. Your new map source data file must have the same delimiter, number of columns, and overall structure as the existing map data source file in order for the map to function properly after the update. The new map source data file should only differ from the existing file by the values that appear in the columns. If the new map source data file has a different structure than the existing file, use the “Edit” feature to update the map definition.

Map updates can be performed on demand from the Sentinel Control Center. To set up an automated process to update map data, it is possible to run an equivalent process from the command line.

To update map data from the Sentinel Control Center:

1. If you haven’t already, create a file containing the new map source data. This file can be generated (for example, from a data dump script), created manually from scratch, or be an edited version of the existing map data source file. If needed, you can obtain the existing map data source file from the location:

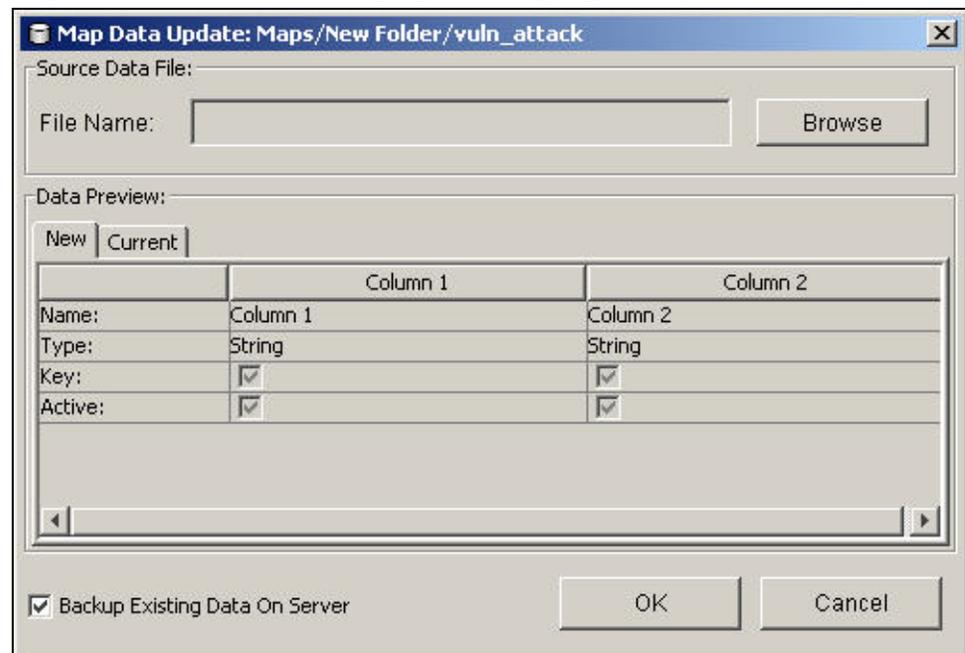
**For Windows:**

`%ESEC_HOME%\data\map_data`

**For UNIX:**

`$ESEC_HOME/data/map_data`

2. Navigate to *Admin* tab and select *Mapping Configuration* from the navigation pane or click *Mapping Configuration* button.
3. Expand the folder of interest. Highlight the mapping to be updated. Click *Update*.



**Figure 10-29:** Map Data Update window

4. Select the new map data source file by clicking *Browse* and selecting the file with the new map data. After selecting the file, the data from the new map data source

file displays under the *New* tab. The map data you are replacing will be under the *Current* tab.

5. Uncheck or leave the default setting for *Backup Existing Data On Server*. Enabling this option results in a backup of the existing map data source file being put in the %ESEC\_HOME%\bin\map\_data (Windows) or \$ESEC\_HOME/data/map\_data (UNIX) folder. The prefix of the name of the backup map data source file will be the name of the existing map data source file. The end of the filename will contain a set of random numbers followed by the .bak suffix. For example: vuln\_attacks10197.bak.
6. Click *OK*.
7. The data from the new map data source file will be uploaded to the server, replacing the contents of the existing map data source file. After the source data is completely uploaded, the map data will be regenerated and distributed to map clients (For example, *Collector Manager*).

To update map data using the command line:

1. If you haven't already, create a file containing the new map source data. This file can be generated (for example, from a data dump script), created manually from scratch, or be an edited version of the existing map data source file. If needed, you can obtain the existing map data source file from the location:

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\data\map_data
```

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/data/map_data
```

2. Log into the Sentinel database.
3. Find UUID for the map in the MD\_CONFIG table (refer to the CONFIG\_ID column for the appropriate map listed in the VALUE column).
4. On the Sentinel Server machine, log in as esecadm.
5. Run the following command:

**On Windows:**

```
map_updater.bat <uuid> <source path> [nobackup]
```

**On UNIX:**

```
map_updater.sh <uuid> <source path> [nobackup]
```

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**NOTE:** On Windows, if the map data is in a directory including a space (For example, Program Files), it might be necessary to place double quotes around the new data file path.

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6. The data from the new map data source file will be uploaded to the server, replacing the contents of the existing map data source file. After the source data is completely uploaded, the map data will be regenerated and distributed to map clients (for example, *Collector Manager*).

Unless the optional -nobackup argument is added, the previous map data will be saved in a backup file on the server. Enabling this option results in a backup of the existing map data source file being put in the %ESEC\_HOME%\bin\map\_data (Windows) or \$ESEC\_HOME/data/map\_data (UNIX) folder. The prefix of the name of the backup map data source file will be the name of the existing map data source file. The end of the

filename will contain a set of random numbers followed by the .bak suffix. For example: vuln\_attacks10197.bak.

## Event Configuration

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**NOTE:** In order to use the Event Configuration, your `configuration.xml` file must be pointing to a Communication Server that also has DAS\_Binary and DAS\_Query connected to it. This will normally be the case, by default, as long as your Communication Server and DAS processes are running.

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## Event Mapping

Event Mapping is a mechanism that allows you to add data to an event by using data already in the event to reference and pull in data from an outside source. The outside data source is a map, which is defined using the “**Mapping tab**”. The data already in the event that should be used as the reference into the map and the data to be pulled from the map into the event are specified using the *Events* tab.

Because virtually any data set can be made into a map, Event Mapping is useful for incorporating into the event stream data from elsewhere in your organization. Some opportunities Event Mapping provides are:

- Regulatory Compliance monitoring
- Policy compliance
- Response prioritization
- Enable security data to be analyzed related to business operations
- Enhance accountability

When an Event Mapping is defined, it is applied system-wide to all events from all Collectors. Additionally, Sentinel will automatically distribute map data to all processes that perform event mappings as well as keep the map data in these processes up-to-date. For these reasons, Event Mapping provides significant capabilities to support enterprise deployments.

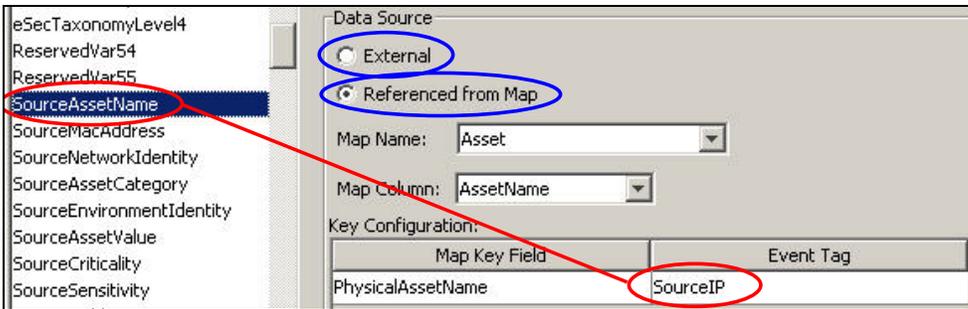
Event Mapping comprises of four main parts:

- **Controller:** Stores all map information
- **Distributor:** Automatically redistributes modified maps to those processes that registered for the map
- **Monitor:** A monitor to detect changes in map source data
- **Generator:** Generates maps from source data

One application of Event Mapping is Sentinel's Asset Data functionality. For example, asset information is collected and stored in the Sentinel Database asset schema and is represented by a Physical Asset Entry. Soft assets, such as services and applications, are represented by an entry that is linked to a Physical Asset. The primary automated update mechanism for asset data is through an asset Collector reading data from a scanner such as Nmap. The asset Collector automates the retrieval of asset information by reading asset data from the scanner and populating the asset schema tables with this data. For Event Mapping, asset information is mapped from the destination IP and source IP.

There are two types of data sources:

- **External:** A Collector populates that value in the event tag.
- **Referenced from Map:** Data is retrieved from a map to populate the tag.



**Figure 10-30: Data Sources**

In the above illustration, the SourceAssetName tag is populated from the map called Asset (which has asset.csv as its map data source file). The specific value for SourceAssetName is taken from the AssetName column from the Asset map. The PhysicalAssetName column is set as the key. When the SourceIP tag of the event matches one of the source IP values in the PhysicalAssetName column of the map, the row with the matching key is used to intersect the AssetName Column. For instance, in the below example the IP corresponds to AssetName Finance35.

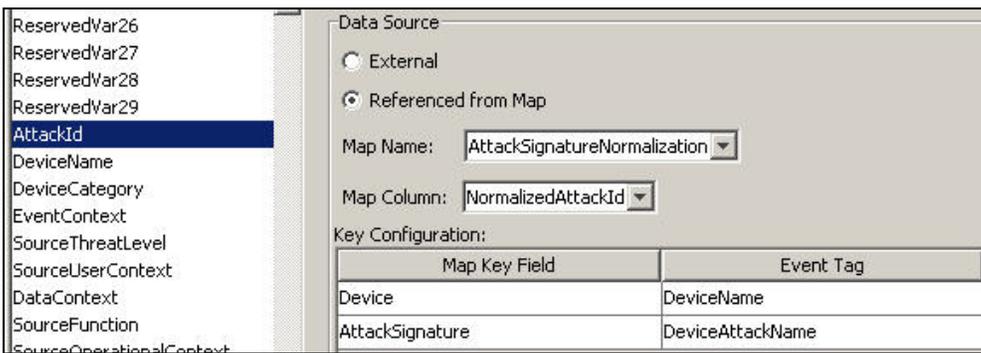
**NOTE:** When a column is set as a key, it will not appear in the Column drop down field.

PhysicalAssetName	CustomerID	MacAddress	AssetName
198.168.1.91			Marketing01
198.168.1.95			Marketing02
198.168.1.96			ProgramMgmt03
198.168.1.98			Finance34
198.168.1.100			Finance35

Annotations in the table: A blue circle around 'PhysicalAssetName' in the header has a blue arrow pointing to '198.168.1.100' in the first column. A blue circle around '198.168.1.100' has a blue arrow pointing to 'Finance35' in the fourth column. A green circle around 'AssetName' in the header has a green arrow pointing to 'Finance35' in the fourth column. A red circle around 'Finance35' in the fourth column has a red arrow pointing to 'SourceAssetName' in the text above the table. The word 'Key' is written next to the first column, and 'SourceAssetName' is written above the fourth column.

**Figure 10-31: Physical Assent Name corresponds to Asset Name**

You can have more than one column set as a key as you do not want the map to be a Range Map (Range Maps can only have one key column, with that column type set to NumberRange). For instance (with column type set to String) the AttackId tag has the DeviceName (name of the security device) and DeviceAttackName columns set as keys and uses the NormalizedAttackID column in the AttackNormalization map for its value. In a row where the DeviceName event tag matches the data in Device map column and the DeviceAttackName matches the data in the AttackSignature map column, the value for AttackId is the value in the NormalizedAttackID column. The configuration for Event Mapping just described is:



**Figure 10-32: Event Mapping Configuration**

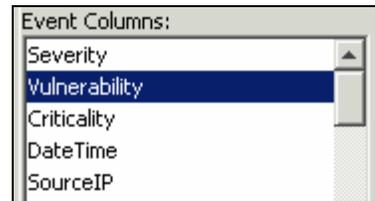
Device	AttackSignature	NormalizedAttackId	AttackId entry
Secure	BackDoorProbe (TCP 1234)		3 Trojan: Backdoor.SubSeven
Secure	BackDoorProbe (TCP 1999)		3 Trojan: Backdoor.SubSeven
Dragon	RWALLD:SYLOG-FORMAT		4 Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated P
Snort	RPC TCP rwalld request		4 Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated P
Snort	RPC UDP rwalld request		4 Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated P
Snort	WEB-IIS foxweb.dll access		12 Microsoft Exchange Server Arbitrary Code
RealSecure	SMTP_Exchange_Verb_DoS		12 Microsoft Exchange Server Arbitrary Code

**Figure 10-33:** Device and Attack Signature corresponds to Asset Name

To Configure Event tags (columns) to use Mapping:

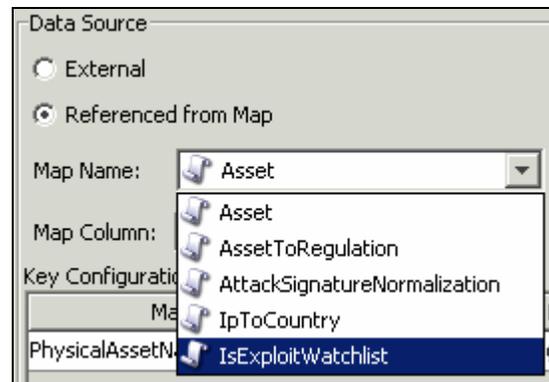
1. Navigate to *Admin* tab and click *Event Configuration* in the navigation pane or click *Event Configuration* button.
2. Highlight an event tag entry from the Event Columns list.

**NOTE:** The original Event Tag name displays above the Label field. In addition, the description of the event column is provided.



**Figure 10-34:** Event Column List

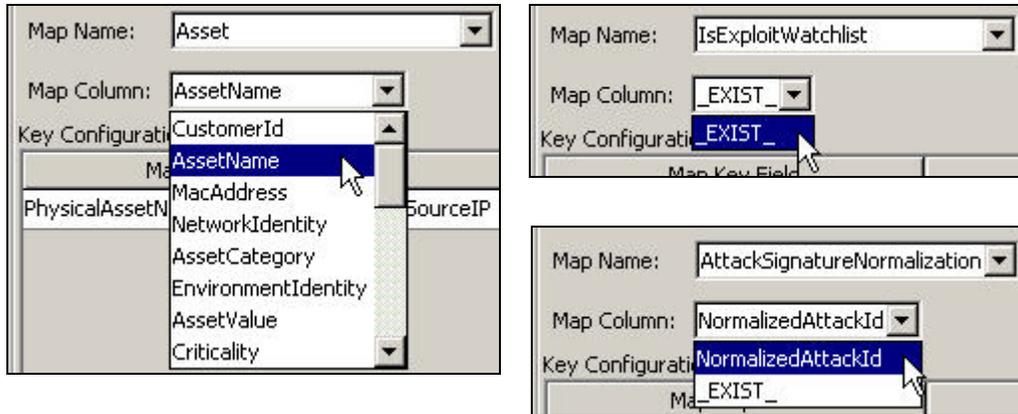
3. Click *Referenced from Map* to configure the event tag to be populated with data from a map. Click *External* to keep whatever value the Collector put in the event tag (if any).
4. Click the *Map Name* field down arrow.



**Figure 10-35:** Data Source

Select one of the available default maps or a map you have created.

5. Click the *Map Column* field down arrow and select a *Map Column* name. Depending on your *Map Name* choice in the previous step, these values will vary.



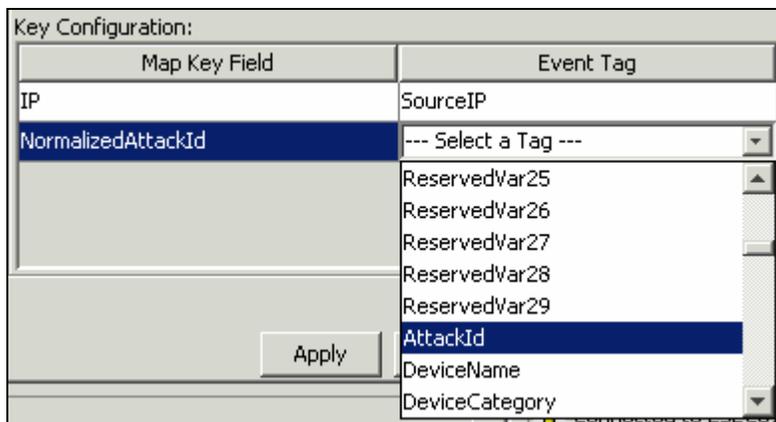
**Figure 10-36: Value Selection**

- **\_EXIST\_ :** This is a special Map Column that exists in every map. If this Map Column is selected, a “1” will be put in the event tag if the key is in the map data. If the key is not in the map data, a “0” will be put in the event tag.
  - **All other choices:** Names of active columns within the map definition that are not set as a key (for example, CustomerId column in Asset or NormalizedAttackId column in AttackNormalization)
6. In the Key Configuration, for each row in the table select the event tag in the Event Tag column that will be matched against the map key column specified in the corresponding Map Key Field column. The rows in the Key Configuration table will depend on the Map Name selected.

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**NOTE:** A key is a unique identifier for the row of data in the map data.

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**Figure 10-37: Key Configuration**

7. Click *Apply*.

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**NOTE:** Clicking *Apply* saves the changes you made for the currently selected event column in a temporary buffer. If you don't click *Apply*, when you select a different event column the changes you made to the previously selected event column are lost. Changes won't be saved to the server until you click *Save*.

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8. If you want to edit the *Event Mapping* of another *Event* column, repeat the steps above. Remember to click *Apply* after editing the *Event Mapping* of each *Event* column.
9. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** Clicking *Save* will save your changes to the server. The save function saves all changes stored in the temporary buffer (when you clicked *Apply*).

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## Renaming Tags

The *Event Configuration* window also allows you to assign names to existing event tag labels. For example, you can rename the label for event tag Ct2 to City. Doing this will result in the event tag that formally appeared in Sentinel Control Center as “Ct2” to now appear as “City”. Some places where event tags appear in Sentinel Control Center are filters, correlation rules, and Active Views.

Renaming Tags does not change the name of the variable in Collector scripts, however. Therefore, even if the event tag labeled Ct2 is renamed to City, the variable that must be used in a Collector script to reference this meta-tag will still be s\_CT2.

Below is a before and after illustration of this feature in an Active View.

SourceIP	DestinationIP	EventName	Ct2	Vulnerability	Criticality
	190.168.12.21	Failed_login-administrator	Shuri	0	
2	190.168.12.24	apache-chunked-encoding-bo	Shuri	1	
2	190.168.12.24	xlight-pass-bo	Shuri	0	
2	190.168.12.24	Reject	Shuri	0	

**Figure 10-38:** Active View window-Before illustration

SourceIP	DestinationIP	EventName	City	Vulnerability	Criticality
	190.168.12.21	Failed_login-administrator	Shuri	0	
2	190.168.12.24	apache-chunked-encoding-bo	Shuri	1	
2	190.168.12.24	xlight-pass-bo	Shuri	0	
2	190.168.12.24	Reject	Shuri	0	

**Figure 10-39:** Active View window-After illustration

To rename an event column:

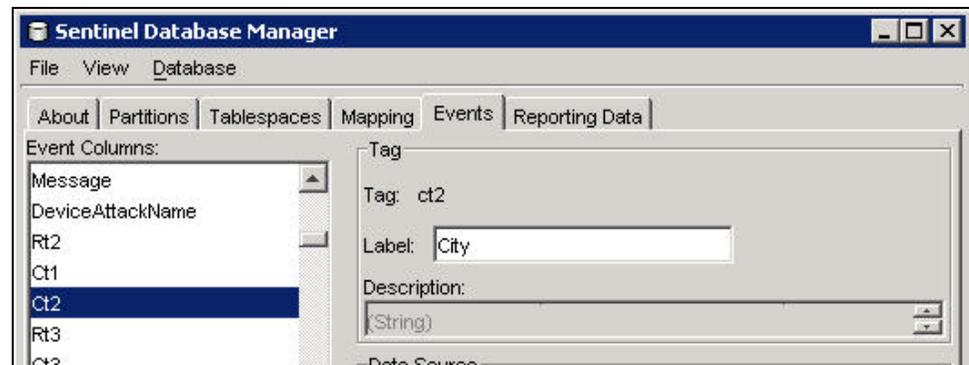
1. Click *Event Configuration* in the navigation pane or click the *Event Configuration* button.

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**NOTE:** The original Event Column name displays above the Label field. In addition, the description of the event column is provided.

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2. Highlight an event column entry.
3. Specify a new value for your Event Column in the *Label* field.



**Figure 10-40:** Sentinel Database Manager window

4. Click *Apply*.

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**NOTE:** Clicking on *Apply* saves the changes you made for the currently selected event tag in a temporary buffer. If you don't click *Apply*, when you select a different event tag, the changes you made to the previously selected event tag are lost. Changes won't be saved to the server until you click *Save*.

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5. Click *Save*.

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**NOTE:** Clicking *Save* will save your changes to the server. The save function saves all changes stored in the temporary buffer (when you clicked *Apply*).

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6. In order for changes to be visible in Sentinel Control Center, running Sentinel Control Centers must be closed and reopened.

## Reporting Data

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**NOTE:** In order to use Reporting Data, your `configuration.xml` file must be pointing to a Communication Server that has `DAS_Binary` and `DAS_Query` connected to it. This will normally be the case, by default, as long as the Communication Server and DAS processes are running.

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The *Reporting Data* tab is a *Summary Management Interface* for Sentinel. This tab allows you to enable and disable **Summaries**. Enabling a summary allows aggregation to start computing the counts for that particular summary.

A summary is a defined set of attributes that make up the key for which to compute the number of unique occurrences (event count) by each hour time period (event time). In the case of the *EventSevDestPortSummary*, when *active*, it saves the count of events for each unique combination of destination port and severity for an hour time frame. These saved computations of the event data allow for quicker summary reporting and querying. These reports are used by Crystal Reports. For more information, see [Crystal Reports for Windows](#) and [Crystal Reports for Linux](#) in the *Sentinel Installation Guide*. Certain summaries will need to be *active* in order for the summary reports to be accurate.

Aggregation is the process of calculating the running count for all active summaries as events flow through the system. These running counts are saved to the database in the respective summary tables.

Summaries Benefits:

- Greatly reduced event data set
- Conformed dimensions that allow the ability to drill-down, roll-up and drill-across on event data
- Summary reports run much faster with pre-computed summaries

Aggregation Benefits:

- Only processes active summaries
- Does not affect event insertion into the real time database.

*Reporting Data* tab allows you to:

- enable/disable any predefined summaries
- view attributes of each summary
- see the validity of a summary for a timeframe
- query which *eventfiles* need to be run so that the summary is complete

The following are all summaries already defined in the system. It lists the summary name, database table name and it's attributes in a brief description about the summary.

Summary Name	Table/Description
▪ EventSrcSummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_SRC_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by source ip, source asset information, source port, source user, taxonomy, event_name, resource, Collector, protocol, severity and event time by hour</li> </ul>
▪ EventDestSummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_DEST_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by destination ip, destination asset information, destination port, destination user, taxonomy, event_name, resource, Collector, protocol, severity and event time by hour.</li> </ul>
▪ EventSevDestTxnmySummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_DEST_TXNMY_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by destination ip, destination asset information, taxonomy, severity and event time by hour.</li> </ul>
▪ EventSevDestEvtSummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_DEST_EVT_NAME_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by destination ip, destination event asset, taxonomy, event name, severity and event time by hour.</li> </ul>
▪ EventSevDestPortSummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_PORT_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by destination port, severity and event time by hour.</li> </ul>
▪ EventSevSummary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ EVT_SEV_SMRY_1</li> <li>▪ This summary sums the event count by severity and event time by hour.</li> </ul>

**Table 10-2:** Summary Name description

To disable/enable Summary:

1. Click *Reporting Data* in the navigation pane or click *Reporting Data* button.
2. To disable a summary, click *Active* in the Status column until it changes to say *InActive*.
3. To enable a summary, click *InActive* in the Status column until it changes to say *Active*.

Source	Status
FormedEvent	InActive

**Figure 10-41:** Status Column

To enable *Aggregation for Top 10 reports* for Crystal Reports:

Enable the following three summaries:

- **EventDestSummary**
- **EventSevSummary**

▪ **EventSrcSummary**

Enable EventFileRedirectService in the das\_binary.xml located:

**For UNIX:**

\$ESEC\_HOME/config/das\_binary.xml

**For Windows:**

%ESEC\_HOME%\config\das\_binary.xml

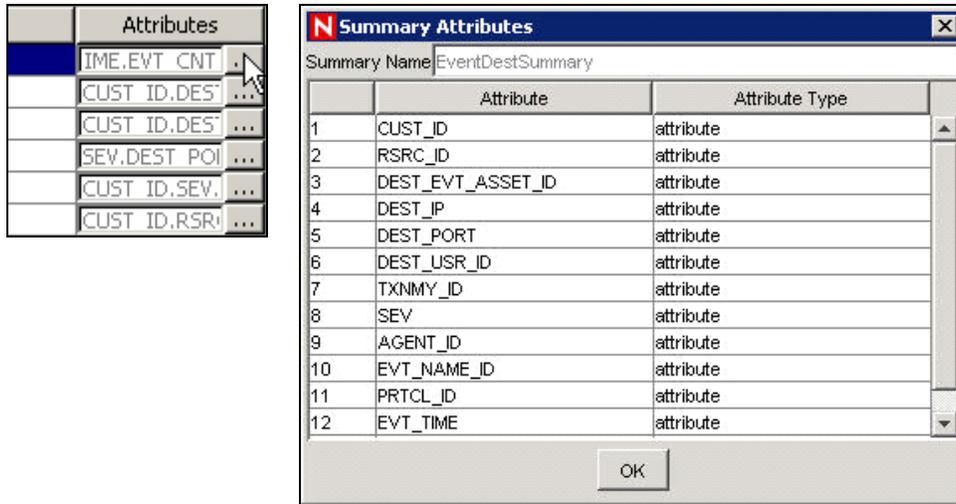
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**NOTE:** To enable the summary you must set the property “Status” to ON for EventFileRedirect in das\_binary.xml

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To view information for a Summary:

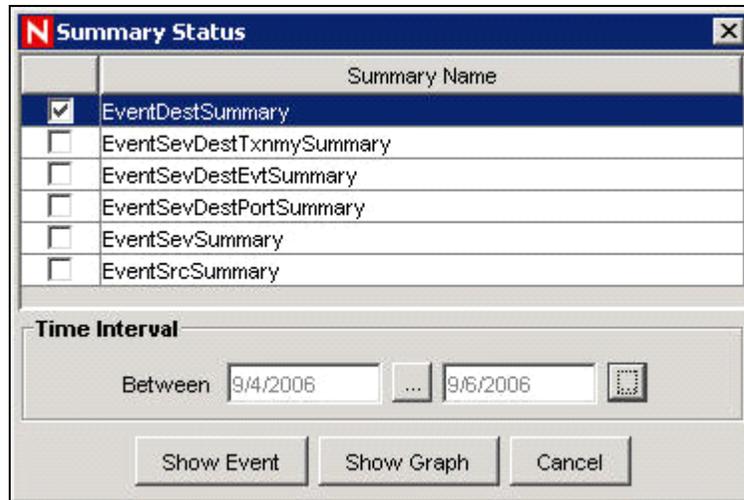
1. Click *Reporting Data* in the navigation pane or click the *Reporting Data* button.
2. Click the ... button in the *Attributes* column to see the attributes that makes up a summary.



*Figure 10-42: Summary Attributes*

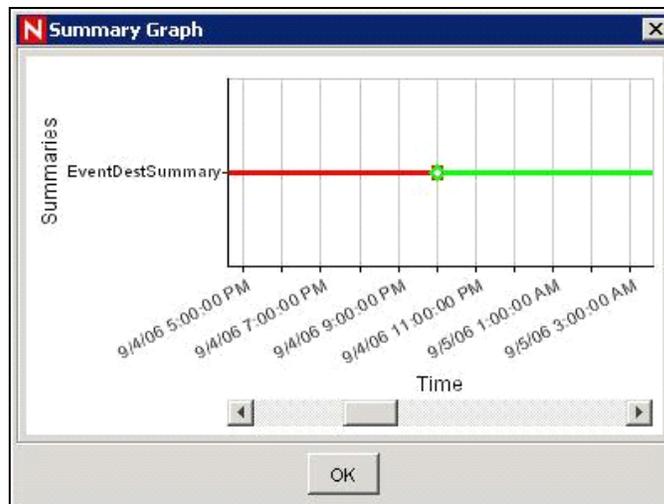
To check the Validity of a summary:

1. Click *Reporting Data* in the navigation pane or click the *Reporting Data* button.
2. Select *Status*.
3. Select the summary or summaries you want to query.



**Figure 10-43: Summary Status**

4. Select a time interval.
5. Click *Show Graph*.
6. The green bars signify that the summary is complete for that time frame. The red sections signify that the summary is missing data during that time period.



**Figure 10-44: Summary Graph**

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**NOTE:** To complete summaries, see [“Run EventFiles for a Summary”](#).

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To query the Eventfiles for a summary:

1. Click *Reporting Data* in the navigation pane or click the *Reporting Data* button.
2. Select *Status*.
3. Select the summary or summaries you want to query.

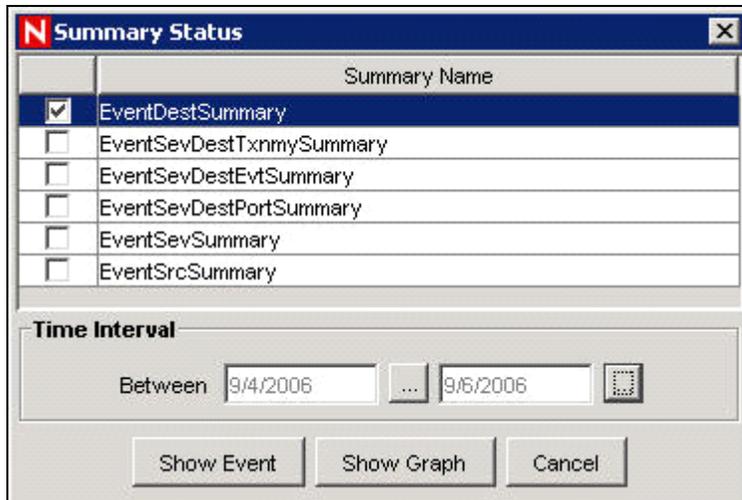


Figure 10-45: Summary Status

4. Select a time interval.
5. Click *Show Event*.
6. The Eventfiles needed to complete the summary displays in a list format.

**NOTE:** To complete summaries, see [“Run EventFiles for a Summary”](#).

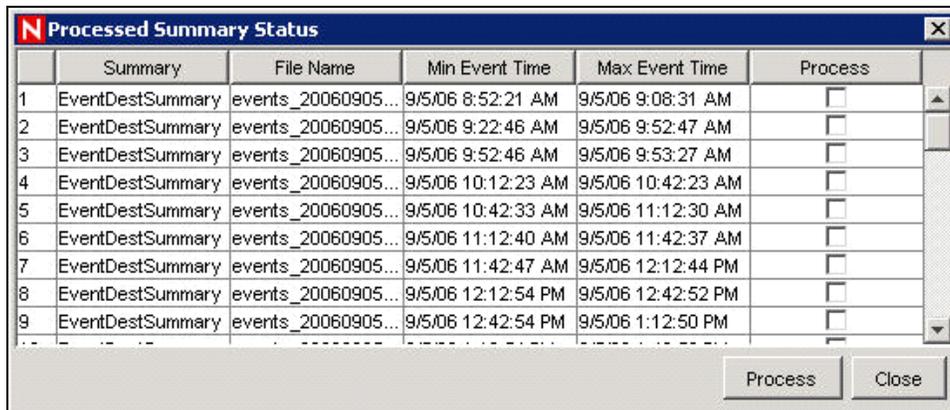


Figure 10-46: Processed Summary Status

To run Eventfiles for a summary:

1. Click *Reporting Data* in the navigation pane or click the *Reporting Data* button.
2. Select *Status*.
3. Select the *Summary* or *Summaries* you want to query.
4. Select a time interval.
5. Click *Show Event*.
6. The *Eventfiles* needed to complete the summary displays in a list format.
7. Check the *Eventfiles* that you want to run so that the summary is complete.

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...	Mon Jan ...	Mon Jan ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
...	Mon Jan ...	Mon Jan ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
...	Mon Jan ...	Mon Jan ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
...	Mon Jan ...	Mon Jan ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
...	Mon Jan ...	Mon Jan ...	<input type="checkbox"/>

Figure 10-47: Eventfiles selection

8. Click *Process*.

## User Configurations

You must have the user permission in order to work in the *User Configuration* window.

User configuration allows you to:

- “Create a User Account”
- “Modify a User Account”
- “View Details of a User Account”
- “Clone a User Account”
- “Delete a User Account”
- “Terminating an Active Session”
- “Add a iTRAC Role”
- “Delete iTRAC Role”
- “Viewing details of an iTRAC Role”

The installer will create the following default users on the Sentinel Server:

### Oracle and Microsoft SQL 2005 Authentication:

- **esecdba**: Schema owner (configurable at install time).
- **esecadm**: Sentinel administrator user (configurable at install time).

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**NOTE:** For UNIX, the Installer also creates the operating system user with the same user name and password.

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- **esecrpt**: Sentinel Reporter User, password as the admin user.
- **ESEC\_CORR**: Sentinel Correlation Engine users, used to create incidents.
- **esecapp**: Sentinel application username for connecting to the database.

### Windows Authentication:

- **Sentinel DB Administrator**: Schema owner (configurable at install time).
- **Sentinel Administrator**: Sentinel administrator user (configurable at install time).
- **Sentinel Report User**: Sentinel Reporter user, password as the admin user.
- **Sentinel Application DB User**: Sentinel application username for connecting to the database

## Opening the User Manager Window

To open the User Manager window:

1. Click the *Admin* tab.
2. Click *Admin > User Configuration*.

## Creating a User Account

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**NOTE:** In order to meet stringent security configurations required by Common Criteria Certification, Sentinel requires a strong password with the following characteristics:

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Select passwords of at least 8 with characters in length that includes at least one UPPER CASE, one lower case, one special symbol (!@#%\$%^&\*()\_+), and one numeric (0-9).

Your password might not contain your e-mail name or any part of your full name.

Your password should not be a “common” word (for example, it should not be a word in the dictionary or slang in common use).

Your password should not contain words from any language, because numerous password-cracking programs exist that can run through millions of possible word combinations in seconds.

You should select a password you can remember and yet is complex. For example, Msi5!YOld (My Son is 5 years old) OR IhliCf5#yN (I have lived in California for 5 years now).

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To use this feature, you must have the user permission User Management. User permissions are fairly detailed. For more information, see [Sentinel Database Users, Roles and Access Permissions](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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**NOTE:** The Sentinel Database Administrator, Sentinel Administrator, Sentinel Application User, and Sentinel Report User are created during installation. For more information about these users, see [Sentinel User Accounts](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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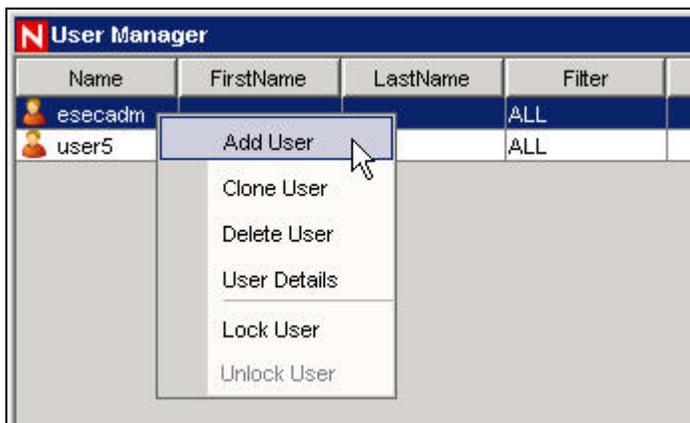
To create a user account using local authentication:

1. Go to the *Admin* tab.
2. Open the *User Configuration* folder.
3. Open the *User Manager* window.
4. Click *Add a new User*,



**Figure 10-48:** Add a new User

or highlight any user, right-click and select *Add User*.



**Figure 10-49:** User Manager window

5. Under Authorization:
  - Select *Local* for *Authentication*.
  - Specify User Name.

- Specify Password.
  - Confirm Password.
6. For Security Filter, click the down arrow. The *Filter Selection* window displays and shows all public filters.
  7. Select a filter and click *Select* or click *Add* to create and then select a new filter.

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**NOTE:** After assigning a security filter to a user, you cannot delete that filter.

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(Optional) Under Details, specify:

- First Name
  - Last Name
  - Department
  - Phone
  - Email
8. Click the *Permissions* tab and assign user permissions.
  9. Click the *Roles* tab and select an iTRAC workflow role for the user.
  10. Click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** Oracle does not allow the creation of users named the same as one of the Oracle Reserved words. Also, Sentinel does not allow you to use these names.

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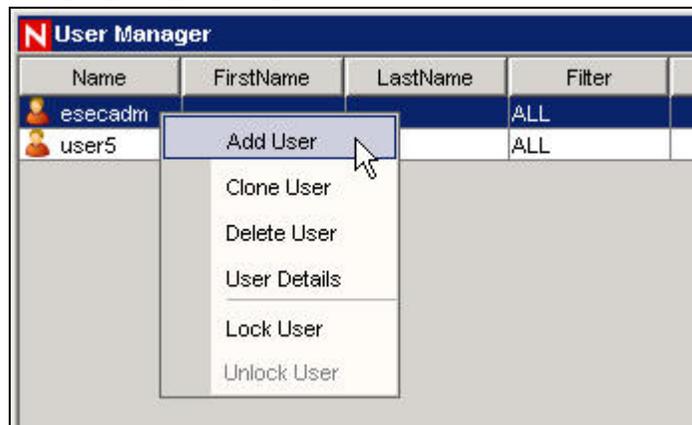
To create a user account using domain authentication:

1. Go to the *Admin* tab.
2. Open the *User Configuration* folder.
3. Open the *User Manager* window.
4. Click *Add a new User*,



**Figure 10-50:** Add a new User

or highlight any user, right-click and select *Add User*.



**Figure 10-51:** User Manager window

5. Under Authorization:
  - Select *Domain* authentication.
  - Specify an existing User Name in the form Domain\Username.

6. For Security Filter, click the down arrow. The *Filter Selection* window displays and shows all public filters.
7. Select a filter and click *Select* or click *Add* to create and then select a new filter.

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**NOTE:** After assigning a security filter to a user, you cannot delete that filter.

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(Optional) Under Details, specify:

- First Name
  - Last Name
  - Department
  - Phone
  - Email
8. Click the *Permissions* tab and assign user permissions.
  9. Click the *Roles* tab and select an iTRAC workflow role for the user.
  10. Click *OK*.

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**NOTE:** Oracle does not allow the creation of users named the same as one of the Oracle Reserved words. Also, Sentinel does not allow you to use these names.

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## Modifying a User Account

To use this feature, you must have the User Management permission.

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**NOTE:** The Sentinel Database Administrator, Sentinel Administrator, Sentinel Application User, and Sentinel Report User are created during installation. For more information about changing passwords for these users, see [Sentinel User Accounts](#) in *Sentinel User Reference Guide*.

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To modify a user account:

1. Open the *User Manager* window.
2. Double-click a user account or right-click > *User Details*.
3. Modify the account.
4. Click *OK*.

## Viewing Details of a User Account

To use this feature, you must have the User Management permission.

To view user account details:

1. Open the *User Manager* window.
2. Double-click a user account or right-click > *User Details*.
3. Review the details of the user account and close the window.

## Cloning a User Account

To clone a user account:

1. Open the *User Manager* window.
2. Select a user account ID, right-click > *Clone User*.
3. Change the user information and the user permissions.
4. Click *Save*.

## Deleting a User Account

To use this feature, you must have the User Management permission.

To delete a user account:

1. Open the *User Manager* window.
2. Select a user account ID, right-click > *Delete User*.
3. A Delete box displays. Click *Yes* to Delete the User.

## Terminating an Active Session

To terminate an active session:

1. Open the *Active User Sessions* window.
2. Highlight an active session you want to terminate.
3. Right click > *Kill Session*.
4. You will be prompted for a termination message. This option is provided so that you can inform the user why you are killing the session.

## Adding an iTRAC Role

To add an iTRAC Role:

1. Open the *Role Manager* window.
2. Click *Add a new Role*,



*Figure 10-52: Add a new Role*  
or right-click > *Add New Role*.

## Deleting an iTRAC Role

To delete an iTRAC Role:

1. Open the *Role Manager* window.
2. Select a role, right-click > *Delete Role*.

## Viewing Details of a Role

To view role details:

1. Open the *Role Manager* window.
2. Select a role, right-click > *Role Details*.

## Solution Pack

Using Solution Pack you can import and install different content types (Correlation Rules, Dynamic List, Reports and so on) in Sentinel. You can import solution pack available in zip file from other system or server. These zip Solution Packs are created using *Solution Designer*. For more information on *Solution Designer*, see [“Solution Pack” section](#).

# 11

## Sentinel Data Manager

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### Understanding Sentinel Data Manager

The Sentinel Data Manager (SDM) is a tool by which users can manage the Sentinel Database. The SDM allows users to perform the following operations:

- Monitor Database Space Utilization
- View and Manage Database Partitions
- Configure Auto-Archives
- Configure Auto-Addition of Partitions

*Monitor Database Space Utilization, View and Manage Database Partitions and Configure Auto-Archives operations can be accessed using the Sentinel Data Manager GUI or using a command line interface to SDM.*

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**NOTE:** Event Mapping, Summary Data and Reporting data are SDM functionalities which are moved from SDM to Sentinel Control Center in Sentinel 6.x.

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### Starting the SDM GUI

There are several prerequisites to run the SDM GUI on a machine:

- If using an Oracle database, the Oracle JDBC driver must be downloaded and placed in the \$ESEC\_HOME/lib (UNIX) or %ESEC\_HOME%\lib (Windows) directory. As of the print date of this document, this file could be found at the following URL: [http://otn.oracle.com/software/tech/java/sqlj\\_jdbc/index.html](http://otn.oracle.com/software/tech/java/sqlj_jdbc/index.html). This file, typically called ojdbc14.jar, will be installed by default on the machine that hosts the Sentinel DAS component.
- The user must know the following information:
  - Name and password for the Sentinel Database User (esecdba by default)
  - Database host server
  - Database (instance) name
  - Port used for database communications (1521 by default for Oracle and 1433 by default for SQL Server)

To start SDM GUI on UNIX:

1. Login to the UNIX box as a member of the esec group (for example: esecadm).
2. Go to \$ESEC\_HOME/sdm
3. Provide the following command line:

./sdm

To start SDM GUI on Windows:

1. Click *Start > All Programs (Win XP) or Program Files (Win2000) > Sentinel > Sentinel Data Manager*.

**NOTE:** To run the SDM from the command line, see the **“SDM Command Line”**.

To connect to the Database:

1. Log into the machine with SDM installed.

**NOTE:** If the Sentinel Database Administrator account uses Windows Authentication, you must log into the SDM machine using the Sentinel Database Administrator account.

2. Start the SDM GUI using the appropriate procedure (for Windows or UNIX).
3. Select the database type (Oracle or MSSQL).
4. Specify the Database instance name used during the Sentinel database installation.
5. Specify the Database Host (hostname or IP address).
6. Specify the port used for database communications.
7. If using SQL Server authentication, specify the Sentinel Database Administrator username and password.

**NOTE:** If you select Windows Authentication, you will be authenticated to the MS SQL database as the user you are currently logged into Windows as (that is, single sign-on).

**For Oracle:**



*Figure 11-1: Connect to Database window-Oracle*

## For Windows:



*Figure 11-2: Connect to Database window-MS-SQL*

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**NOTE:** If you select to save your connection settings, the settings are saved to the local `sdm.connect` file. By default the `sdm.connect` file is located in `$ESEC_HOME/bin` directory or `%ESEC_HOME%\bin` folder. Next time you start the GUI, the connection settings will be re-populated from the `sdm.connect` file. This file can be used when running SDM from the command line.

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8. Click *Connect*. The SDM is now ready for use.

## Partitions Tab

The Sentinel database is partitioned by time to simplify maintenance and improve the performance of the database. The *Partitions* tab in the SDM allows users to view and manage database partitions for the tables that hold event data, correlated event data, and summary data.

To view partitions in the GUI:

1. Click the *Partitions* tab.
2. Select the table in the dropdown list you want to see.

SDM displays the partitions of the currently selected Database Table.

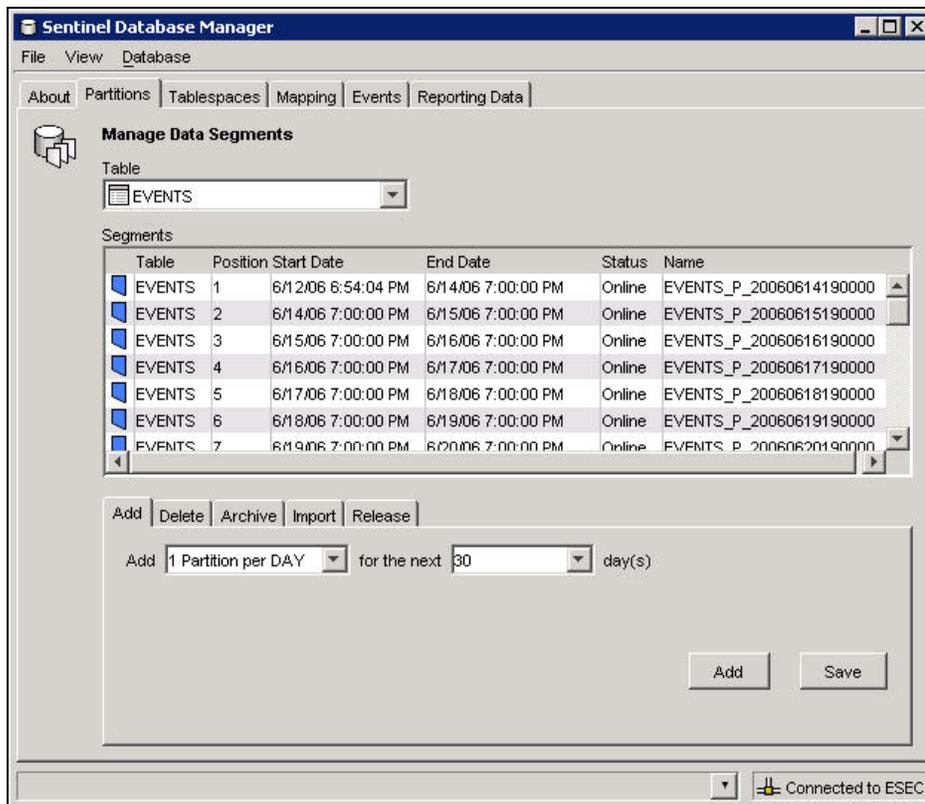
Each row in the Segments table displays the related Database Table, Time Range, Status and Name of the partition.

The Status of each of the partitions shown in the Segments table will have one of the following states:

Online	Partition with data that is available for access
Online Current	Partition to which events are currently getting inserted
Online Archived	Partition with data that has been archived but is still accessible because the partition has not been dropped
Offline Archived	Partition with data that has been archived and then dropped from the database
Online Archived Imported	Partition with data that has been archived, dropped from the database, and then re-imported into the database

**Table 11-1: Partition States**

**NOTE:** If you delete a partition without archiving it, it is deleted from the partition list in the GUI.



**Figure 11-3: Sentinel Database Manager-Partitions**

At the bottom of the *Partitions* tab, there are several smaller tabs that allow the user to perform the following operations:

- Add empty partitions to the database
- Delete partitions from the database
- Archive data from partitions to flat files in a specified, pre-existing directory
- Import Partitions
- Drop Partitions

Many of these operations can be executed automatically in the database using stored procedures, but this tab allows the administrator to perform these tasks manually.

To manage partitions:

1. Click the *Partitions* tab.
2. Select the table in the dropdown list.

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**NOTE:** Sentinel partitioned tables are organized into 2 groups. One is the EVENTS table group, which includes EVENTS and CORRELATED\_EVENTS; the other is the summary table group, which includes all summary, or aggregate, tables. If any one of the tables in the group is selected then the changes will apply to all the tables in the group.

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3. Select the tab in the bottom of the window that relates to the operation that you want to perform – *Add, Delete, Archive, Import* or *Release*.

To add partitions:

1. Select the *Add* partitions tab.
2. Specify the number of days over which to add the partitions.

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**NOTE:** You can specify the number of partitions in Partition Configuration in SDM GUI.

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3. Click *Add*.

To delete partitions:

1. Select the *Delete* partitions tab.
2. Specify the number of days for which older partitions will be deleted.
3. Click *Delete*.

To import partitions:

1. Select the *Import* partitions tab.
2. Select the partition in the Segment table into which the data will be imported.

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**NOTE:** You can specify the input directory in the “Archive Destination” field in Partition configuration tab in SDM GUI.

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3. Click *Import*.

To release imported partitions:

1. Select the *Release* partitions tab.
2. Select the partition in the Segment table that will be released.
3. Click *Release*.

## Archiving

Events, correlated events, and aggregation (or summary) tables can all be archived using SDM. There are several requirements for archiving:

- The directory to which the partitions are archived must already exist on the database server (not the machine running SDM); SDM does not create the directory.
- On UNIX systems, archiving cannot be to the /root directory.
- On UNIX systems, the oracle user must have permissions to write to the archive directory.
- On Windows systems, owner of the SQL Server Agent service must have permissions to write to the archive directory.

To archive partitions:

1. Select the *Archive* partitions tab.
2. Specify the number of days for which older partitions will be archived.

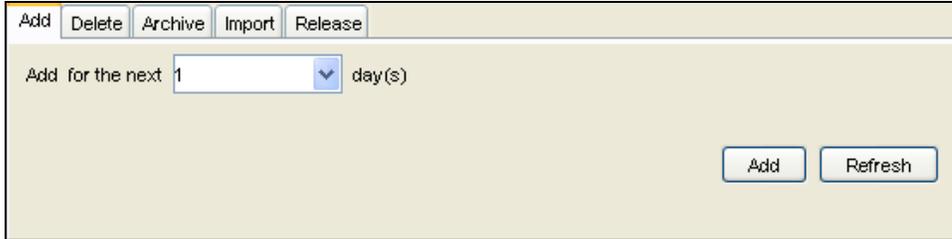
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**NOTE:** You can specify the archive directory in the Archive Destination field in Partition configuration tab in SDM GUI.

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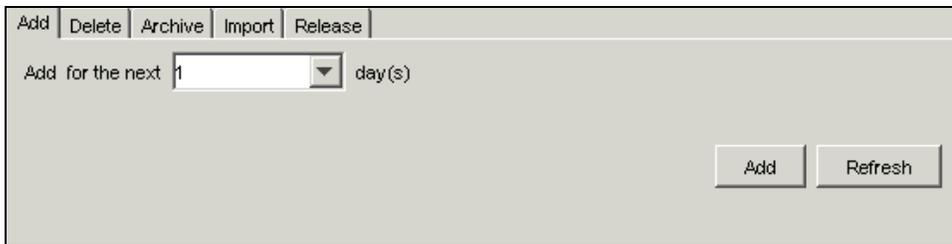
3. Click *Archive*.

*Oracle Archive Partitions* tab:



**Figure 11-4:** Oracle Archive Partition Tab

*Microsoft SQL Archive Partitions* tab:



**Figure 11-5:** Microsoft SQL Archive Partition Tab

## Tablespaces Tab

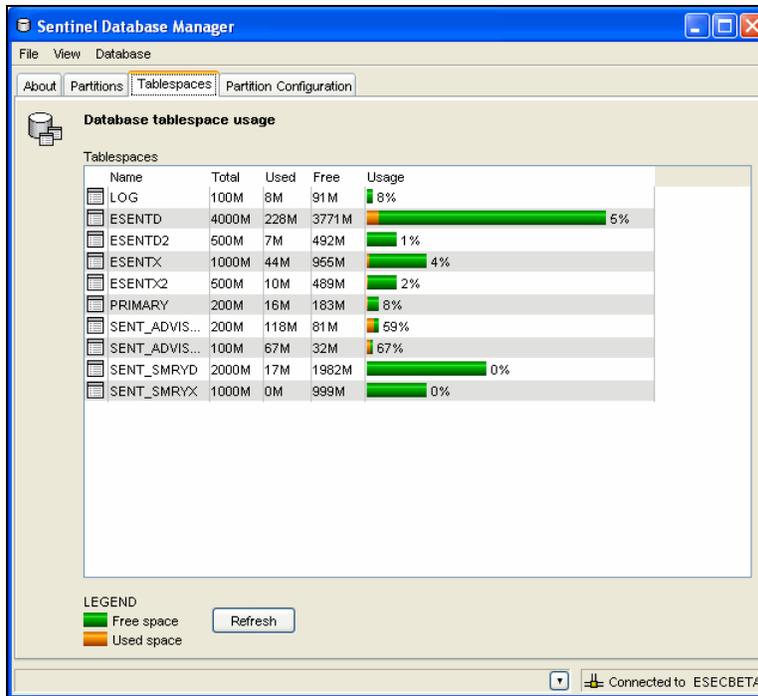
The *Tablespaces* tab in the SDM allows users to view the current database space utilization, including:

- Total space allocated for each tablespace
- Space used by each tablespace
- Space available (free) for each tablespace.

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**NOTE:** All the tablespaces are set to Autogrow.

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**Figure 11-6:** Sentinel Database Manager-Tablespaces

Color coded bar graphs help to visualize the total space allocated for each tablespace and the percent used of each tablespace.

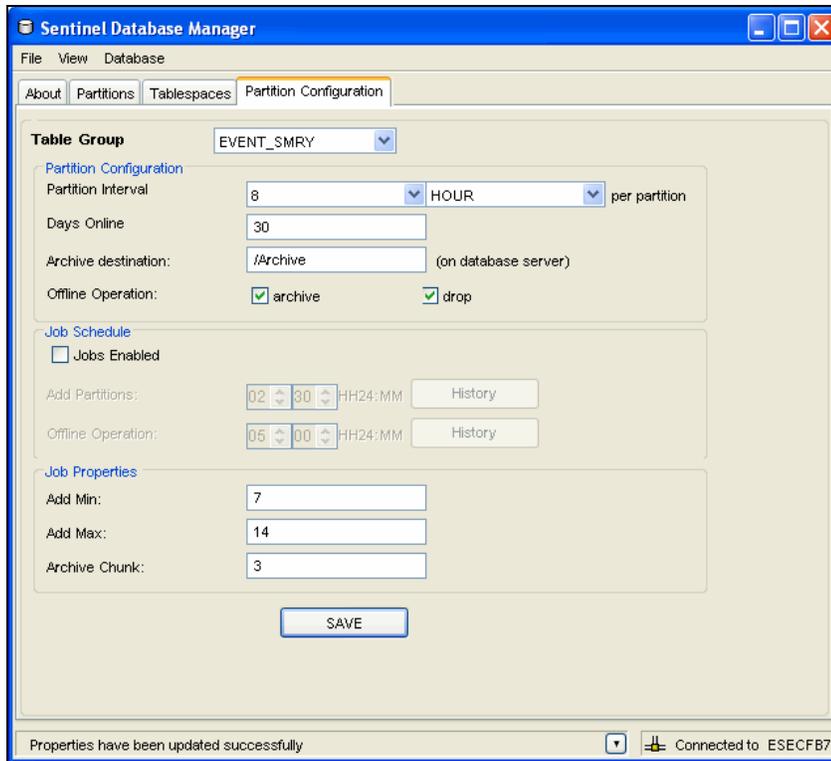
**NOTE:** On Microsoft SQL Server, “tablespace” usage represents “filegroup” usage.

## Partition Configuration

The *Partition Configuration* tab in the SDM allows you to set parameters to auto-archive partitions. It also allows you to auto-add partitions.

To configure auto-archive parameters:

1. Click the *Partition Configuration* tab. The *Partition Configuration* window displays.



**Figure 11-7:** Sentinel Database Manager-Partition Configuration

2. Select the table group from the drop-down list.
3. Specify the following partition configuration information:
  - **Partition Interval:** Specify the number of partitions that should be created per day or per hour.
  - **Days Online:** Number of days of data to keep online in the database.
  - **Archive destination:** Specify the destination to store the automatically archived data and the manually archived data.
  - **Offline operation:** Select archive and/or drop the data.

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**NOTE:** Data that is dropped without archiving cannot be retrieved using SDM. You should almost always select the *archive* option.

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4. Specify the Job Schedule parameters:
  - Check *Jobs Enabled* checkbox if its not selected. By default the *Jobs Enabled* checkbox will be checked if you have selected this feature during installation.
  - Schedule adding partitions and offline operation parameters. Click *Save*.
  - Click *History* to view the Job History.
5. Specify the Job Properties:
  - **Add Min:** Minimum number of days of partitions for future data that should exist in the database at any time
  - **Add Max:** Maximum number of days of partitions for future data that should exist in the database at any time
  - **Archive Chunk:** Minimum number of days of partitions that will account to total number of days of partitions for Archive.

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**NOTE:** If the fewer than Add Min days partitions exist in the database, partitions are added until there are enough partitions for Add Max days. Archiving also is

done in chunks of days so that these database operations are not necessary every day.

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6. Click *Save*.

## SDM Command Line

The SDM command line functions can be used instead of the GUI. The command line can be used to create a batch file or cron job for SDM operations, but Novell recommends using auto-archiving instead. Auto-archiving can be configured on the *Partition Configuration* tab of the SDM GUI.

The first step to using the SDM command line is to create a file that stores the connection properties for the database.

- “General Syntax”
- “Start SDM GUI”
- “Save Connection Properties”
- “Add Partitions”
- “Drop Partitions”
- “View Partitions”
- “Archive Data”
- “Delete Data”
- “Listing Files to Import”
- “Import Data”
- “Delete Import Data”
- “Viewing Sentinel Database Space Usage”
- “Update Map Data”

### General Syntax of the SDM command

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[path to SDM] -action [actionname] [action-specific  
flags] [path to database connection file]
```

The specific flags for each action are described below.

### Starting SDM GUI

```
startGui (DEFAULT)  
-action startGui [-connectFile <filePath>]
```

### Saving Connection Properties for Sentinel Data Manager

The saveConnection command saves the database connection details to a specified file. These connection details are necessary for all other SDM command line operations.

If you have run the SDM GUI with “Save connection settings” selected, the saveConnection command is not necessary. You can use the `sdm.connect` file located in `%ESEC_HOME%\sdm` for Windows or `$ESEC_HOME/sdm` for UNIX.

The saveConnection command uses the following flags:

-action	saveConnection
-server	<oracle or mssql2005>
-host	<database host IP Address or host name to connect to>
-port	<database port number to connect to [Oracle default: 1521/SQL Server default: 1433]>
-database	<database name/SID>
-driverProps	<Properties File>
-dbuser	<database username>
-password	<database password>
-winAuth	Used for Windows authentication. When using this option, -user and -password are not needed.
-connectFile	<filenameToSaveConnection>

**Table 11-2:** saveConnection command flags

The application saves all the above connection details along with the encrypted password to the `sdm.connect` file. All other SDM command line commands will refer to the specified file. This step should be completed first time you use the SDM command line on a machine and every time you want to change the connection details the application uses.

To run saveConnection:

1. Execute the command as follows:

```
-action saveConnection -server <oracle/mssql2005> -
host <hostIpAddress/hostname> -port <portnum> -
database <databaseName/SID> [-driverProps
<propertiesFile>] {-user <dbUser> -password <dbPass>
| -winAuth} -connectFile <filenameToSaveConnection>
```

The following example will save connections for a host with an IP address of 10.0.0.1 at port 1521 (default for Oracle, for SQL Server, default is 1433).

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action saveConnection -server oracle -host
10.0.0.1 -port 1521 -database esec -user esecdba -
password XXXXXX -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example (using SQL Server Authentication):**

```
sdm -action saveConnection -server mssql -host
10.0.0.2 -port 1433 -database esec -user esecdba -
password XXXXXX -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example (Windows Authentication):**

```
sdm -action saveConnection -server mssql -host
10.0.0.2 -port 1433 -database esec -winAuth -
connectFile sdm.connect
```

This will save the connection details to the `sdm.connect` file. All the rest of the commands will take this filename as input to connect to the designated database and to perform their actions.

## Adding Partitions

This action (`addPartitions`) adds the required number of partitions in the following tables according to the partition configuration settings:

- Oracle:
  - EVENTS

- CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1
- SQL Server
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1

---

**NOTE:** Partitions are added in database both for Events and Correlated events if you select any one of these two. Partitions will be added for all the summary tables if you select any one of them.

---

If you are configured to have 10 days worth of partitions, every time you run *addPartitions* it checks to see if you have 10 days of partitions ahead. If you have enough partitions for next 10 days it will not do anything. If not, it will add the required number of partitions for 10 days.

This action uses the following flags:

---

-action	addPartitions
-connectFile	<filePath>
-tableName	<table name>
-keepDays	<days to add>

---

*Table 11-3: Adding Partition flags*

To run addPartitions:

1. Execute this command as follows:

```
-action addPartitions -connectFile <filePath> -
tableName <table name> -keepDays <days to add>
```

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action addPartitions -connectFile
sdm.connect -tableName EVENTS -keepDays 10
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action addPartitions -connectFile sdm.connect
-ttableName EVENTS -keepDays 10
```

## Dropping Partitions

This action (*dropPartition*) drops all the partitions older than the flag *keepDays* from the following tables:

- Oracle:
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1

- EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1
- SQL Server
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1

To prevent unintentional loss of data, this action does not drop any partitions that are not archived. If you want to delete unarchived partitions, use the *forceDelete* flag.

---

**WARNING:**

If *-forceDelete* is used, the deleted data cannot be recovered, so use this option with caution.

---

This action uses the following flags:

---

-action	dropPartitions
-keepDays	<number of days to keep>
-forceDelete	<either “true” or “false”>
(optional)	This defaults to false if not specified, meaning that only the partitions that are older than keepDays and are already archived will be dropped. If set to true, all partitions older than keepDays will be dropped, even if they have not been archived.
-connectFile	<filePath>
-tableName	<table name>

---

**Table 11-4:** Dropping Partition flags

---

**NOTE:** Sentinel partitioned tables are organized into 2 groups. One is the EVENTS table group, which includes EVENTS and CORRELATED\_EVENTS; the other is the summary table group, which includes all summary, or aggregate, tables. If any one of the tables in the group is specified by the *-tableName* parameter, the *dropPartition* operation is applied to all tables in that group.

---

To run *dropPartition*:

Execute this command as follows:

```
-action dropPartitions -keepDays
<numberOfDaysToKeep> -tableName <table name> [-
forceDelete <true/false>] -connectFile <filePath>
```

The following examples drops all the partitions older than 30 days making sure all the partitions are archived. All partitions that were skipped (not removed) because they have not been archived are listed when the operation completes.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action dropPartitions -keepDays 30 -
tableName CORRELATED_EVENTS -forceDelete false -
connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Example:**

```
sdm -action dropPartitions -keepDays 30 -tableName
CORRELATED_EVENTS -forceDelete false -connectFile
sdm.connect
```

## Viewing Partition Summaries

This action (ViewPartitions) displays the partition summary of the following supported tables:

- Oracle:
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1
- SQL Server
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1

---

**NOTE:** You need to have SDM installed in order to view the partition summary.

---

This command uses the following flags:

---

-action	viewPartitions
-tableName	<table name>
-connectFile	<filePath>

---

**Table 11-5:** Viewing Partition Summaries flags

### To View Partition Summaries:

Execute this command as follows:

```
-action viewPartitions -tableName <table name> -
connectFile <filePath>
```

The following example, displays the list of partitions of the EVENTS table and status of each partition.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action viewPartitions -tableName EVENTS -
connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action viewPartitions -tableName EVENTS -
connectFile sdm.connect
```

## Archiving Data

Run this action (archiveData) after you set your archive configuration (this can be configured in *Partition Configuration* tab in SDM GUI). This action archives the data from the given table name according to the archive configuration. It archives data from:

- Oracle:
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
- SQL Server
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS

---

**NOTE:** Sentinel partitioned tables are organized into 2 groups. One is the EVENTS table group, which includes EVENTS and CORRELATED\_EVENTS; the other is the summary table group, which includes all summary, or aggregate, tables. If any one of the table in the group is specified by the `-tableName` parameter, the archiveData operation is applied to all tables in that table group.

---

This command uses the following flags:

<code>-action</code>	<code>archiveData</code>
<code>-connectFile</code>	<code>&lt;filePath&gt;</code>
<code>-tableName</code>	<code>&lt;table name&gt;</code>
<code>-keepDays</code>	<code>&lt;numberOfDaysToKeep&gt;</code>

**Table 11-6:** Archiving Data flags

To run archiveData:

1. Execute this command as follows:

```
-action archiveData -connectFile <filePath> -
tableName <table name> -keepDays
<numberOfDaysToKeep>
```

The following examples archive events and correlated events from the EVENTS and CORRELATED\_EVENTS tables according to the value set during archive configuration (using the `archiveConfig` command).

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action archiveData -connectFile sdm.connect
-tableName EVENTS -keepDays 30
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action archiveData -connectFile sdm.connect -
tableName EVENTS -keepDays 30
```

## Deleting Data

This action (deleteData) deletes the data older than a specified number of days from the given table name. It deletes data from:

- Oracle:
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1

- EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1
- SQL Server
  - EVENTS
  - CORRELATED\_EVENTS
  - EVT\_DEST\_EVT\_NAME\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_DEST\_TXNMY\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_PORT\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SEV\_SMRY\_1
  - EVT\_SRC\_SMRY\_1

---

**NOTE:** This action does not drop any partitions that are not archived. If you want to delete unarchived partitions, the optional flag *forceDelete* has to be specified with a value of true.

---

If *forceDelete* is used:

false or not specified	drops only the partitions older than keepDays and those that are archived
true	drops all the partitions older than keepDays including unarchived partitions

**Table 11-7:** *forceDelete* options

This command uses the following flags:

-action	deleteData
-keepDays	<number of days to keep>
[-forceDelete]	<either true or false>
-connectFile	<filePath>
-tableName	<table name>

**Table 11-8:** *Deleting Data flags*

To run deleteData:

1. Execute this command as follows:

```
-action deleteData -keepDays <numberOfDaysToKeep>
[-forceDelete <true/false>] -connectFile <filePath>
-tableName <table name>
```

- **Oracle Example:**

The following example drops partitions from all tables older than 13 days making sure all dropped partitions are archived. In the end, a list is generated of any partitions that were not deleted if they have not been archived.

```
./sdm -action deleteData -keepDays 13 -forceDelete
false -connectFile sdm.connect -tableName EVENTS
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

The following example drops the partitions from all tables older than 13 days making sure all dropped partitions are archived. In the end, it lists any partitions that were not deleted if they have not been archived.

```
sdm -action deleteData -keepDays 13 -forceDelete
false -connectFile sdm.connect -tableName EVENTS
```

## Listing Files to Import

This action (filesToImport) is used to list the files needed to import the data between the given dates into the following supported tables:

- SQL Server
  - HIST\_EVENTS
  - HIST\_CORRELATED\_EVENTS

---

**NOTE:** The tables are imported in Oracle with the same name they are archived with.

---

If these files have been moved to another location because of the original archiving operation (F, moved to tape), they must be restored to a directory accessible from the database server with their original file names.

This command uses the following flags:

---

-action	filesToImport
-tableName	<table name>
-startDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-endDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-connectFile	<filePath>

---

**Table 11-9:** Listing files to Import flags

---

**NOTE:** hh24 is hours represented in 24 hour format. For example, 1:15:00 p.m. is 13:15:00 and 3:00:00 a.m. is 03:00:00.

---

To run filesToImport:

1. Execute this command as follows:

```
-action filesToImport -tableName <table name> -
startDate <mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss> -endDate
<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss> -connectFile <filePath>
```

The following example lists all files containing data between dates “09/25/2007 00:00:00” (Sep 25<sup>th</sup> midnight) and “09/26/2007 00:00:00” (Sep 26<sup>th</sup> midnight) that have been previously archived.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action filesToImport -tableName Events -
startDate 09/25/2007 00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007
00:00:00 -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action filesToImport -tableName Events -
startDate 09/25/200\7 00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007
00:00:00 -connectFile sdm.connect
```

The following example lists all the files containing the data between dates “09/25/2007 16:00:00” (Sep 25<sup>th</sup> 4 PM) and “09/26/2007 18:00:00” (SEP 26, 6 PM) that has been archived earlier and can be imported back.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action filesToImport -tableName Events -
startDate 09/25/2007 16:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007
18:00:00 -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action filesToImport -tableName Events -
startDate 09/25/2007 16:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007
18:00:00 -connectFile sdm.connect
```

## Importing Data

This action (importData) imports data between the given dates into the Sentinel database so it can be used for historical reporting or other purposes. The data is imported into the following tables:

- SQL Server
  - HIST\_EVENTS
  - HIST\_CORRELATED\_EVENTS

---

**NOTE:** The tables are imported in Oracle with the same name they are archived with.

---

If the data has already been imported or there is no archived data is found between the specified dates, it returns a notification.

The application imports data from each file into a table and builds the historical view on all the historical tables. The report view joins on the original table and historical view. All Sentinel reports use the report view and thus will see any imported data.

This command uses the following flags:

---

-action	importData
-tableName	<table name>
-startDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-endDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-connectFile	<filePath>

---

**Table 11-10:** Importing Data flags

---

**NOTE:** hh24 is hours represented in 24 hour format. For example, 1:15:00 p.m. is 13:15:00 and 3:00:00 a.m. is 03:00:00.

---



---

**NOTE:** The files to be imported must exist in the directory with their original file names.

---

To run importData:

1. Place all the files you want to import in a specific directory (that is, dirPath - <directory to import files from>) and execute the following command

```
-action importData -startDate <mm/dd/yyyy
hh24:mi:ss> -endDate <mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss> -
tableName <table name> -connectFile <filePath>
```

The following example imports the archived files from the tmp directory containing the data between dates “09/25/2007 00:00:00” (Sep 25 midnight) and “09/26/2007 00:00:00” (Sep 26 midnight).

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action importData -startDate 09/25/2007
00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007 00:00:00 -tableName
Events -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action importData -dirPath c:\tmp -startDate
09/25/2007 00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007 00:00:00 -
tableName Events -connectFile sdm.connect
```

## Deleting Imported Data

This action (dropImported) deletes the imported data between the given dates from the following supported tables:

- SQL Server
  - HIST\_EVENTS
  - HIST\_CORRELATED\_EVENTS

---

**NOTE:** The tables are imported in Oracle with the same name they are archived with.

---

If there is no data imported between two specified dates, it returns a notification.

This command uses the following flags:

---

-action	dropImported
-startDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-endDate	<mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss>
-tableName	<table name>
-connectFile	<filePath>

---

**Table 11-11:** Deleting Imported data flags

---

**NOTE:** hh24 is hours represented in 24 hour format. For example, 1:15:00 p.m. is 13:15:00 and 3:00:00 a.m. is 03:00:00.

---

To run dropImported:

1. Execute this command as follows:

```
-action dropImported -startDate <mm/dd/yyyy
hh24:mi:ss> -endDate <mm/dd/yyyy hh24:mi:ss> -
tableName <table name> -connectFile <filePath>
```

The following example deletes the imported data between the given dates from the above mentioned tables.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action dropImported -startDate 09/25/2007
00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007 00:00:00 -tableName
Events -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action dropImported -startDate 09/25/2007
00:00:00 -endDate 09/26/2007 00:00:00 -tableName
Events -connectFile sdm.connect
```

## Viewing Sentinel Database Space Usage

In Tablespace Management, the command line option allows you to:

- View Sentinel database space usage

This action (dbstats) displays the Sentinel database usage for all Sentinel tablespaces in Oracle and Sentinel filegroups in MS SQL.

This command uses the following flags:

-action	dbstats
-connectFile	<filePath>

**Table 11-12:** Viewing Sentinel Database Space Usage flags

To view Sentinel Database Space Usage (Command Line):

1. Execute the following command:

```
-action dbStats -connectFile <filePath>
```

The following example displays the tablespaces of Sentinel database with their total space, used space and free space available.

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action dbStats -connectFile sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
Sdm -action dbStats -connectFile sdm.connect
```

## Update Map Data

This action allows you to replace the map source data file of a map on the server running DAS with another file. Your new map source data file must have the same delimiter, number of columns, and overall structure as the existing map data source file in order for the map to function properly after the update. The new map source data file should only differ from the existing file by the values that appear in the columns. If the new map source data file has a different structure than the existing file, use the Edit feature to update the map definition.

This command uses the following flags:

-action	updateMapData
-map	<mapName>
-file	<fileName>
-backup (Optional)	<true/false>
-connectFile	<filePath>

**Table 11-13:** Update Map Data flags

To run updateMapData:

Execute this command as follows:

```
-action updateMapData -map <mapName> -file  
<fileName> [-backup <true/false> (DEFAULT: true)] -  
connectFile <filePath>
```

- **Oracle Example:**

```
./sdm -action updateMapData -map Maps/rMap -file  
D:\EDLocal_Updated.csv -connectFile D:\sdm.connect
```

- **SQL Server Example:**

```
sdm -action updateMapData -map Maps/rMap -file  
D:\EDLocal_Updated.csv -connectFile D:\sdm.connect
```

# 12 Utilities

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## Introduction to Sentinel Utilities

This section allows you to understand the utilities provided by Sentinel. You can use these utilities for the following purposes:

- For starting or stopping certain Sentinel services.
- For modifying Sentinel configuration.
- To determine the version of a Sentinel library.
- For troubleshooting activities.
- For configuring Sentinel email.

## Starting and Stopping Sentinel Server

A Sentinel Server is made up of the following components:

- Communication Server
- Correlation Engine
- DAS
- Collector Manager

Any combination of the above components can be installed in a particular Sentinel Server.

In a distributed installation of Sentinel, it is likely that there will be more than one machine with a Sentinel Server running on it. In this case, all of the Sentinel Servers work together to provide the complete Sentinel functionality.

---

**NOTE:** At most one Communication Server and DAS component can be installed across all Sentinel Servers in a distributed Sentinel installation. On the other hand, multiple instances of *Correlation Engine* and *Collector Managers* are allowed.

---

When a Sentinel Server is started or stopped, all components installed in that Sentinel Server are also started or stopped. To start or stop a particular component on a Sentinel Server, use the *Servers View* under the *Admin* tab in *Sentinel Control Center*.

You need to start or stop a Sentinel Server because of the following routine maintenance:

- Upgrades
- Patches

- Hotfixes

## Starting a Sentinel Server

To start the UNIX Sentinel Server:

1. Log into the machine where the Sentinel Server you want to start is installed as the Sentinel Administrator operating system user (by default *esecadm*)
2. Go to the `$ESEC_HOME/bin` directory.
3. Run the following command:

```
./sentinel.sh start
```

To start the Windows Sentinel Server:

1. Click *Start > Settings > Control Panel*.
2. Double-click *Administrative Tools*.
3. Double-click *Services*.
4. In the *Services* window, highlight *Sentinel*.
5. Right-click *>Start* or click *Start* in the tool bar.

## Stopping a Sentinel Server

To stop the UNIX Sentinel Server:

1. Log into the machine where the Sentinel Server you want to stop is installed as the Sentinel Administrator operating system user (by default *esecadm*)
2. Go to the `$ESEC_HOME/bin` directory.
3. Run the following command:

```
./sentinel.sh stop
```

To stop the Windows Sentinel Server:

1. Click *Start > Settings > Control Panel*.
2. Double-click *Administrative Tools*.
3. Double-click *Services*.
4. In the *Services* window, highlight *Sentinel*.
5. Right-click *>Stop* or click *Stop* in the tool bar.

## Sentinel Scripts

Depending upon which components are installed, the `$ESEC_HOME/bin` (on UNIX) or `%ESEC_HOME%\bin` (on Windows) directory might contain some or all of the scripts below. The *operational* scripts are appropriate for use during normal operations of Sentinel. The *troubleshooting* scripts should only be used when troubleshooting an issue.

For most scripts that require arguments, running the scripts without arguments provides details about the arguments and usage of the script.

## Operational Scripts

The scripts below can be used during the normal operation of Sentinel.

Script File:	Description:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ adv_change_passwd.bat</li> <li>▪ adv_change_passwd.sh</li> </ul>	Resets the encrypted Advisor password stored in the Advisor configuration files. For more information, see section <a href="#">Resetting Advisor password (Direct Download Only)</a> of <a href="#">Advisor Configuration</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ advisor.bat</li> <li>▪ advisor.sh</li> </ul>	Starts the Internet download and processing of Advisor feed data. This script is scheduled to run automatically when Advisor is installed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AnalyzePartitions.sh</li> </ul>	Runs the analyze partitions action on the Sentinel Database. This script is only available for Sentinel Database running on Oracle. For more information, see section <a href="#">Analyze Partitions</a> in <a href="#">Supported Platforms and Best Practices</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ BackupIncidentData.bat</li> <li>▪ BackupIncidentData.sh</li> </ul>	Used to backup Incident related data before running the delete incident utilities. For more information, contact <a href="#">Novell Technical Support</a> ( <a href="http://support.novell.com/phone.html?sourceidint=suplnav4_phonesup">http://support.novell.com/phone.html?sourceidint=su plnav4_phonesup</a> ).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ control_center.bat</li> <li>▪ control_center.sh</li> </ul>	Launches the Sentinel Control Center graphical user interface.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ dbconfig.bat</li> <li>▪ dbconfig</li> </ul>	Configures the database connection settings stored in the DAS container xml files. For more information, see section <a href="#">Reconfiguring Database Connection Properties</a> of <a href="#">Sentinel Data Access Service</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ dbHealthCheck.sh</li> </ul>	Displays Sentinel Database health information. This script is only available for Sentinel Database running on Oracle. For more information, see section <a href="#">Database Health Check for Oracle</a> in <a href="#">Supported Platforms and Best Practices</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ esm_manager.bat</li> <li>▪ esm_manager.sh</li> </ul>	Starts, stops, or restarts any of the Event Source Management nodes.  Available in Sentinel 6.0 SP1 and above.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ extconfig.bat</li> <li>▪ extconfig</li> </ul>	Resets any of the encrypted 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Integration passwords stored in the <code>das_query.xml</code> file. For more information, see either the section <a href="#">Resetting the Remedy Password</a> in the <a href="#">Remedy Help Desk Operations</a> or section <a href="#">Resetting the HP OpenView Passwords</a> in <a href="#">HP OpenView Service Desk Integration</a> , both of them are in the <i>3rd Party Integration Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ keymgr.bat</li> <li>▪ keymgr.sh</li> </ul>	Generates a random encryption key to be used to encrypt messages in transport over the iSCALE message bus. For more information, see the section <a href="#">Changing the Communication Encryption Key of Communication Layer (iSCALE)</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ mailconfig.bat</li> <li>▪ mailconfig.sh</li> <li>▪ mailconfigtest.bat</li> <li>▪ mailconfigtest.sh</li> </ul>	Configures and tests the configuration of SMTP e-mail server settings. For more information, see <a href="#">“Configuring Sentinel E-mail”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ proxy_passwd_update.bat</li> <li>▪ proxy_passwd_update.sh</li> </ul>	Changes the password used for the proxy server if Advisor is downloading information through a proxy server.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ register_trusted_client.bat</li> <li>▪ register_trusted_client.sh</li> </ul>	Registers the Sentinel installation as a trusted client of the Communication Server on the machine where this script is run. This script is used when manually configuring <i>Collector Manager</i> to connect to Sentinel through the proxy. For more information, see section <a href="#">Collector Manager in Communication Layer (iSCALE)</a> in <i>Sentinel Installation Guide</i> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ sdm.bat</li> <li>▪ sdm</li> </ul>	Launches the Sentinel Data Manager application. For more information, see <a href="#">“Sentinel Data Manager”</a> section.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ sentinel.sh</li> <li>▪ sentinel.bat</li> </ul>	Starts or stops the Sentinel Server. For more information, see <a href="#">“Starting and Stopping Sentinel Server”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ softwarekey.bat</li> <li>▪ softwarekey.sh</li> </ul>	Resets the Sentinel license key. For more information, see <a href="#">“Updating Your License Key”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ versionreader.bat</li> <li>▪ versionreader.sh</li> </ul>	Displays the version information stored in a Sentinel jar file. For more information, see <a href="#">“Sentinel .jar Version Information”</a> .

*Table 12-1: Operational Scripts*

## Troubleshooting Scripts

The scripts below are useful when troubleshooting an issue you are experiencing. They provide finer grain control of certain components in Sentinel, allowing you to drill down to the root cause of the issue. Starting and Stopping Sentinel Server

**NOTE:** These scripts should not be used during normal operation of Sentinel.

Script File:	Description:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ collector_mgr.bat</li> <li>▪ collector_mgr</li> <li>▪ correlation_engine.bat</li> <li>▪ correlation_engine</li> <li>▪ das_aggregation.bat</li> <li>▪ das_aggregation</li> <li>▪ das_binary.bat</li> <li>▪ das_binary</li> <li>▪ das_cmd.bat</li> <li>▪ das_cmd</li> <li>▪ das_itrac.bat</li> <li>▪ das_itrac</li> <li>▪ das_query.bat</li> <li>▪ das_query</li> <li>▪ das_rt.bat</li> <li>▪ das_rt</li> </ul>	Starts the associated Sentinel Server process. These scripts are useful when troubleshooting a problem with a Sentinel Server process that is not running properly and when no helpful error message is written to the log file. Before running one of these scripts, make sure the associated process is not already running on that machine.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ event_file_info.bat</li> <li>▪ event_file_info</li> </ul>	Displays information about an event file that will be processed by DAS Aggregation.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ list_broker_connections.bat</li> <li>▪ list_broker_connections</li> </ul>	Displays all of the active connections to the iSCALE message bus.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ runalert.bat</li> <li>▪ runalert.sh</li> <li>▪ runattack.bat</li> <li>▪ runattack.sh</li> </ul>	Starts the Internet download and processing of either the <i>alert</i> or <i>attack</i> Advisor feed data. The <i>advisor.bat</i> / <i>.sh</i> script will run both of these scripts during normal operation.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ setadvent.bat</li> <li>▪ setadvent.sh</li> </ul>	Used by the Advisor scripts to set some local environment variables.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ setenv.sh</li> </ul>	Used by many of the Sentinel script to set some local environment variables.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ start_broker.bat</li> <li>▪ start_broker.sh</li> </ul>	Starts the message bus component of the Communication Server. This script is useful if you are having problems starting the message bus (Sonic). For more information, see <a href="#">“Starting the Communication Server in Console Mode”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ StartSQLAgent.bat</li> </ul>	Starts the SQL Server Agent Service and configures it to run automatically. This script is run automatically by the installer.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ stop_broker.bat</li> <li>▪ stop_broker.sh</li> </ul>	Stops the message bus component of the Communication Server. For more information, see <a href="#">“Stopping the Communication Server in Console Mode”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ stop_container.bat</li> <li>▪ stop_container.sh</li> </ul>	Stops a particular Sentinel Server process. This is useful when you need to restart a particular Sentinel Server process without stopping the entire Sentinel Server. Please note that the Sentinel Server watchdog will automatically restart the process after it is stopped. For more information, see <a href="#">“Restarting Sentinel Containers”</a> .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ uninstallat.bat</li> <li>▪ uninstallcron.sh</li> </ul>	Removes the Advisor feed download and processing scheduled jobs. This script is run automatically by the uninstaller.

*Table 12-2: Troubleshooting Scripts*

## Starting the Communication Server in Console Mode

These scripts start the Communication Server on the command line in console mode. These scripts are useful for debugging the Communication Server without requiring you to run the rest of Sentinel Server.

**NOTE:** During normal operations, you should not use these scripts. Instead, follow the procedures in the section [“Starting a Sentinel Server”](#). If you use these scripts on Windows, for example, the service will only run as long as the Command Prompt window remains open.

To start the Communication Server (Windows):

1. Either go or navigate through Windows Explorer to:

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Either double-click (through Windows Explorer) or execute the following file:

```
start_broker.bat
```

To start the Communication Server (UNIX):

1. Login as Sentinel Administrator operating system user (default is *esecadm*).
2. Go to:

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

3. Specify:

```
./start_broker.sh
```

## Stopping the Communication Server in Console Mode

These scripts stop the Communication Server on the command line in console mode. These scripts are useful for troubleshooting the Communication Server without forcing you to stop the rest of Sentinel Server.

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**NOTE:** During normal operations, you should not use these scripts. Instead, follow the procedures in the section **“Stopping a Sentinel Server”**.

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To stop the Communication Server (Windows):

1. Either go or navigate through Windows Explorer to:

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Either double-click (through Windows Explorer) or execute the following file:

```
stop_broker.bat
```

To stop the Communication Server (UNIX):

1. Login as user Sentinel Administrator operating system user (default is *esecadm*).
2. Go to:

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

3. Specify:

```
./stop_broker.sh
```

## Restarting Sentinel Containers

The following procedures describe how to restart a Sentinel Server process from the command line.

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**NOTE:** During normal operations, you should not use these scripts. Instead, use the *Servers View* in the *Admin* tab of *Sentinel Control Center*.

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Below are the names of the Sentinel Server processes that can be restarted using the procedure described below. The name must be used in the command line exactly as shown below.

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
▪ Correlation_Engine	Processes Correlation Rules.
▪ Collector_Manager	Process raw event source data and sends events.
▪ DAS_Aggregation	Calculates event data summaries that are used in reports.

▪ DAS_Binary	Performs event database insertion.
▪ DAS_iTRAC	Provides the server-side functionality for the Sentinel iTRAC functionality.
▪ DAS_Proxy	Provides the server-side of the SSL proxy connection to Sentinel Server
▪ DAS_Query	Performs general Sentinel Service operations including Login and Historical Query.
▪ DAS_RT	Provides the server-side functionality for Active Views.

**Table 12-3:** Sentinel Server process names

To restart a Sentinel Server process (Windows):

1. Go to:

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Specify:

```
.\stop_container.bat <host machine> <process name>
```

For example:

```
.\stop_container.bat localhost DAS_RT
```

To restart a Sentinel Container (UNIX):

1. Login as user Sentinel Administrator operating system user (default is *esecadm*).

2. Go to:

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

3. Specify:

```
./stop_container.sh <host machine> <process name>
```

For example:

```
./stop_container.sh localhost DAS_RT
```

## Version Information

### Executable Version Information

Sentinel has a command line option to display the version information of the following executable:

- agentengine

To display Sentinel executable version information (UNIX):

1. Go to:

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

2. Specify:

```
./<process> -version
```

For example:

```
./agentengine -version
```

To display Sentinel executable version information (Windows):

1. Go to:

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Specify:

```
.\<process> -version
```

For example:

```
.\agentengine -version
```

## Sentinel .dll and .exe File Version Information

The following procedure describes how to gather the version information of Sentinel .dll and .exe files:

To obtain Sentinel .dll and .exe file version information:

1. Go to %ESEC\_HOME%.
2. Within the *bin* and *lib* directory, right-click either a .dll or .exe file and select *Properties*.
3. Click the *Version* tab.
4. In the *Item Name* pane, select *Product Version*. The version number of the file appears in the *Value* pane.

## Sentinel .jar Version Information

The following procedure describes how to gather the version information of Sentinel .jar files:

To obtain Sentinel .jar file version information:

1. Log into the machine where Sentinel is installed as the Sentinel Administrator operating system user (default is *esecadm*) on UNIX or as an Administrator on Windows.
2. Go to:

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

3. At the command line, Specify:

**For UNIX:**

```
./versionreader.sh <path/jar file name>
```

**For Windows:**

```
.\versionreader.bat <path/jar file name>
```

## Configuring Sentinel E-mail

Sentinel email configuration settings are stored in the `execution.properties` file during installation. This file can be edited after installation. This file is on the machine where DAS is installed and is located:

**For Windows:**

`%ESEC_HOME%\config`

**For UNIX:**

`$ESEC_HOME/config`

There are two scripts (`*.sh` for UNIX and `*.bat` for Windows) that change and test the email settings within the `execution.properties` file. The `mailconfig.*` script changes the email settings and the `mailconfigtest.*` script tests the email settings. The bolded areas are the email settings that can be changed.

The properties within `execution.properties` are:

Name:	Description:
<b>mail.authentication.user=&lt;domain\user&gt;</b>	
correlated events retry wait=5000	
<b>mail.smtp.host=&lt;SMTP_HOST&gt;</b>	The SMTP host that will be used to send email.
mail.events.max=1000	Maximum number of events that will be sent in an email that is automatically triggered by the correlation engine. Its purpose is to limit the size of emails for correlated events that have a very large set of trigger events.
correlated events retry count=10	
<b>mail.address.from=&lt;SMTP_FROM_ADDRESS&gt;</b>	The email address that appears in the From field of the email sent from DAS.
<b>mail.authentication.password=&lt;password&gt;</b>	password for mail.authentication.user.

*Table 12-4: Properties within execution.properties file*

The `mailconfig.sh` and `mailconfig.bat` scripts use the following arguments:

Name:	Description:
<code>-host</code>	SMTP host name or IP address
<code>-from</code>	From field of the email
<code>-user</code>	The mail authentication user
<code>-password</code>	Password for the mail authentication user

*Table 12-5: Arguments used by mailconfig.sh and mailconfig.bat scripts*

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**NOTE:** Do not provide your password after the `-password` argument. You are prompted for a new password after you specify the command. The console output will be masked by asterisks (\*).

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The `mailconfigtest.sh` and `mailconfig.bat` file use the following arguments:

Name:	Description:
<code>-to</code>	Destination email address

**Table 12-6:** Argument used by `mailconfigtest.sh` and `mailconfig.bat` file

To set email properties in the `execution.properties` file:

1. On the machine where you have DAS installed, go to:

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Execute `mailconfig` as follows:

**For UNIX:**

```
./mailconfig.sh -host <SMTP Server> -from <source  
email address> -user <mail authentication user> -  
password
```

**For Windows:**

```
mailconfig.bat -host <SMTP Server> -from <source  
email address> -user <mail authentication user> -  
password
```

**UNIX example:**

```
./mailconfig.sh -host 10.0.1.14 -from  
my_name@domain.com -user my_user_name -password
```

**Windows example:**

```
mailconfig.bat -host 10.0.1.14 -from  
my_name@domain.com -user my_user_name -password
```

After providing this command you are prompted for a new password.

```
Provide your password:*****
```

```
Confirm your password:*****
```

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**NOTE:** When using the `password` option, it must be the last argument.

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To test your email settings in the `execution.properties` file:

1. On the machine where you have DAS installed, go to:

**For UNIX:**

```
$ESEC_HOME/bin
```

**For Windows:**

```
%ESEC_HOME%\bin
```

2. Execute mailconfigtest as follows:

**For UNIX:**

```
./mailconfigtest.sh -to <destination email address>
```

**For Windows:**

```
mailconfigtest.bat -to <destination email address>
```

After your mail is sent, you will get the following on screen as output and e-mail received at the destination address.

```
Email has been sent successfully!
```

Check the destination e-mail mailbox to confirm receipt of email. The subject line and content should be:

```
Subject: Testing e-security mail property
```

```
This is a test for e-security mail property set up. If you see this message, your e-security mail property has been configured correctly to send emails
```

## Updating Your License Key

If your Sentinel license key has expired and Novell has issued you a new one, run the software key program to update your license key.

**To update your license key (UNIX):**

1. Log into the machine where the DAS component is installed as the Sentinel Administrator operating system user (default is *esecadm*).
2. Go to \$ESEC\_HOME/bin
3. Specify the following command:  

```
./softwarekey.sh
```
4. Specify the number 1 to set your primary key. Press enter.

**To update your license key (Windows):**

1. Log into the machine where the DAS component is installed as a user with administrative rights.
2. Go to %ESEC\_HOME%\bin
3. Specify the following command:  

```
.\softwarekey.bat
```
4. Specify the number 1 to set your primary key. Press enter.

# 13 Quick Start

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## Security Analysts

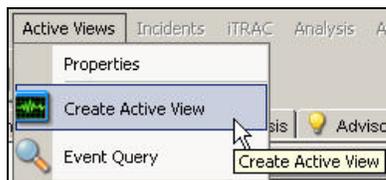
**NOTE:** This document assumes your Security Administrator has built the necessary filters and configured Collectors for your system.

### Active Views Tab

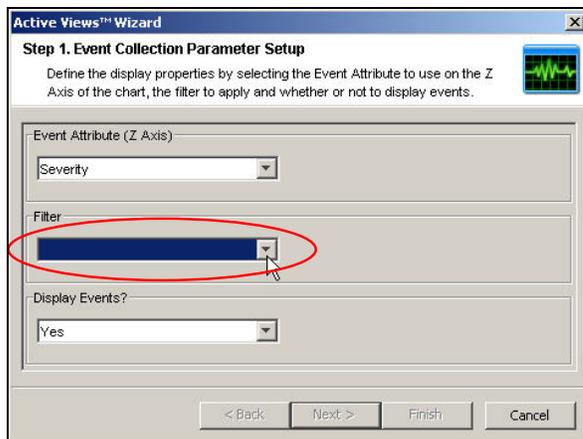
In the *Active Views* tab, you can monitor events as they happen, performing queries on these events. You can monitor them in a table form or through a 3-D graphical representation.

To get a Real-Time events started:

1. Go to the *Active View* tab.
2. Click *Active Views > Create an Active View*, select a filter from the *Filter* drop-down menu and click *Select*.



**Figure 13-1:** Creating Active Views



**Figure 13-2:** Active View Wizard

Owner	Filter Name	Expression String
PUBLIC	Operating_System_...	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "OS" )
PUBLIC	Database_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "DB" )
PUBLIC	IDS_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "IDS" )
PUBLIC	High_Severity	filter( e.Severity >= 3 )
PUBLIC	Firewall_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "FW" )
PUBLIC	Low_Severity	filter( e.Severity <= 2 )
PUBLIC	Correlation	filter( ( e.SensorType = "C" ) or ( e.SensorType = "W" ) )
PUBLIC	Exploit_Detection	filter( e.Vulnerability = 1 )
PUBLIC	External_Events	filter( ( e.SensorType != "I" ) and ( e.SensorType != "P" ) )
PUBLIC	ALL	filter( e.Severity >= 0 )
PUBLIC	Scan_Events	filter( e.DeviceCategory = "SCAN" )
PUBLIC	Severe_Internal	filter( ( e.SensorType = "I" ) and ( e.Severity >= 3 ) )
PUBLIC	wmi	filter( e.WizardPort = "wmi" )
PUBLIC	Internal_Events	filter( e.SensorType = "I" )

-Manage Filter Configuration

Add Clone Delete Details Select

Figure 13-3: Selecting Filter

3. Click *Finish*. If you have an active network, you might see something similar to:

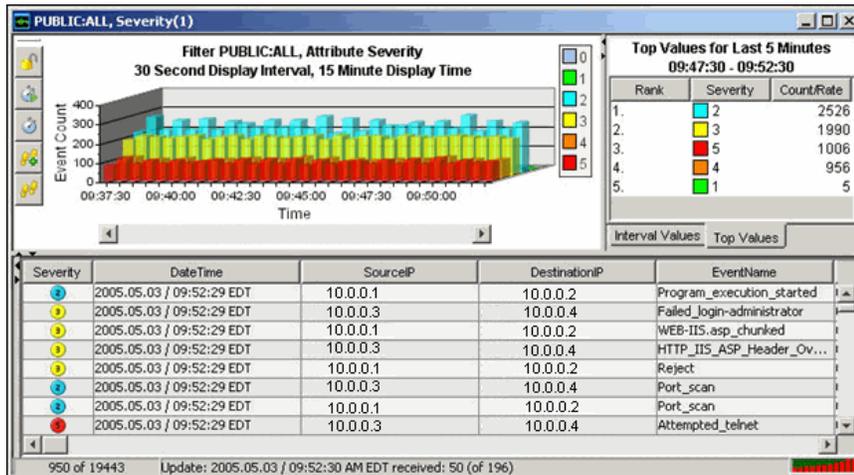


Figure 13-4: Active View

**NOTE:** To display a 3-D graph without real time events, click the Display Events down arrow and select *No*.

## Exploit Detection

To view any events indicating a possible exploitation, you must have the following:

- Advisor Feed
- Intrusion detection
- Vulnerability scanning

Severity	Vulnerability	AttackId
2	0	
3	0	

Figure 13-5: Severity, Vulnerability and AttackId column

Within an event, the values in the *Vulnerability* field convey the following:

- When the *Vulnerability* field equals 1, the asset or destination device is possibly exploited.
- When the *Vulnerability* field equals 0, the asset or destination device is indicated as not being exploited.
- When the *Vulnerability* field is blank, the exploit detection feature of Sentinel is not enabled.

To view events that indicate a possible exploitation, create an *Active View* with a filter where Vulnerability equals 1. For example, if you have Nmap and have run the Nmap Collector, you can view asset information on the exploited asset or any asset.

For more information on how exploit detection works and which Intrusion Detection Systems and Vulnerability Scanners are supported, see “[Sentinel Control Center](#)” section.

## Asset Data

To view Asset information for any event, right-click an event or events > *Analysis > Asset Data*, a window similar to the one below displays:

Asset Report							
Hardware	MAC Address	04:23:A3:44:65:87					
	Name		Value	UNKNOWN			
	Type	DESKTOP		Criticality	UNKNOWN		
	Vendor	UNKNOWN		Sensitivity	UNKNOWN		
	Product		Environment	UNKNOWN			
	Version		Location	UNKNOWN			
Network	IP	192.168.0.10					
	Hostname	devbox10					
Software	Name	Type	Vendor	Product	Version		
Contacts	Order	Name	Role	Email	Phone Number		
		OwnerFirstName10	OwnerLastName10	ASSET_OWNER	OwnerEmail10	OwnerPhoneNumber10	
		MaintainerFirstName10	MaintainerLastName10	ASSET_MAINTAINER	MaintainerEmail10	MaintainerPhoneNumber10	
		BusinessUnit10	LineOfBusiness10	BUSINESS_UNIT			
		Division10	Department10	LINE_OF_BUSINESS			
				DIVISION			
				DEPARTMENT			
Location	Room	709					
	Rack	10					
	Address	HQ					
		1921 Gallows Rd Suite 700 Vienna VA 22182 USA					
Hardware	MAC Address	04:23:A3:44:65:78					
	Name		Value	AssetValue			
	Type	DESKTOP		Criticality	Criticality		
	Vendor	Vendor		Sensitivity	Sensitivity		
	Product	ProductName		Environment	EnvironmentIdentity		
	Version	ProductVersion		Location	NetworkIdentity		
Network	IP	192.168.0.1					
	Hostname						

Figure 13-6: Asset Report

## Event Query

### Example Scenario – Telnet Event:

During monitoring, you see numerous telnet attempts from source IP 10.0.0.1. Telnet attempts could be an attack. Telnet potentially allows an attacker to remotely connect to a remote computer as if they were locally connected. This can lead to unauthorized configuration changes, installation of programs, viruses, and so on.

You can use an Event Query to determine how often this possible attacker has attempted a telnet; you can setup a filter to query for this particular attacker. For example, you know the following:

- Source IP: 10.0.0.1
- Destination IP: 10.0.0.2
- Severity: 5
- Event Name: Attempted\_telnet
- Sensor Type: H (Host Intrusion Detection)

**To Perform an Event Query:**

1. In the Sentinel Control Center, click *Event Query* (Magnifying Glass icon) and click the *Filter drop-down* menu.
2. A window with a list of filters displays. Click *Add*; specify a filter name of *telnet SIP 10.0.0.1*. In the field below the Filter, specify:
  - SourceIP = 10.0.0.3
  - EventName = Attempted\_telnet
  - Severity = 5
  - SensorType = H
  - DestinationIP = 10.0.0.4
  - Match if, select *All conditions are met (and)*
3. Click *Save*. Highlight your filter and click *Select*.
4. Provide your time period of interest; click *Search* (Magnifying Glass icon). The result of your query displays. If your Event Query makes a match, you will get a result similar to the following illustration.

Severity	DateTime	SourceIP	DestinationIP	EventName
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:24 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.5	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:22 EDT	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.7	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:20 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.5	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:18 EDT	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.7	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:16 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.5	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:14 EDT	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.7	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:12 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.6	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:10 EDT	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.9	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:08 EDT	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.6	Attempted_telnet
5	2005.05.03 / 09:25:06 EDT	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.9	Attempted_telnet

**Figure 13-7: Event Query result**

If you want to see how often in general this user is attempting a telnet, remove DestinationIP, SensorType and Severity from your filter or create a new filter. The results will show all the destinationIPs this user is attempting to telnet to.

If any of your events are correlated events, you can right-click > *View Trigger Events* to find what events triggered that correlated event.

**NOTE:** Correlated events will have the SensorType column populated with a C.

### More Information about Attacks

Another event of interest could be excessive FTP events. This can also be a remote connection, allowing for transferring, copying and deleting of files.

Below is a short list of attacks of interest. Types of attacks are an extensive list. For more information about network/host attacks, there are many resources available (that is, books and the internet) that explain different types of attacks in detail.

- SYN Flood
- ICMP and UDP Flood
- Packet Sniffing
- Denial of Service
- Smurf and Fraggle
- Dictionary Attack

## Creating Incidents

**NOTE:** To perform this function you must have user permission to create Incidents.

This is useful in grouping a set of events together as a whole representing something of interest (group of similar events or set of different events that indicate a pattern of interest such as an attack).

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**NOTE:** If events are not initially displayed in a newly created Incident, it is most likely because of a lag in the time between display in the *Real Time Events* window and insertion into the database. If this occurs, it might take a few minutes for the original events to finally be inserted into the database and display in the incident.

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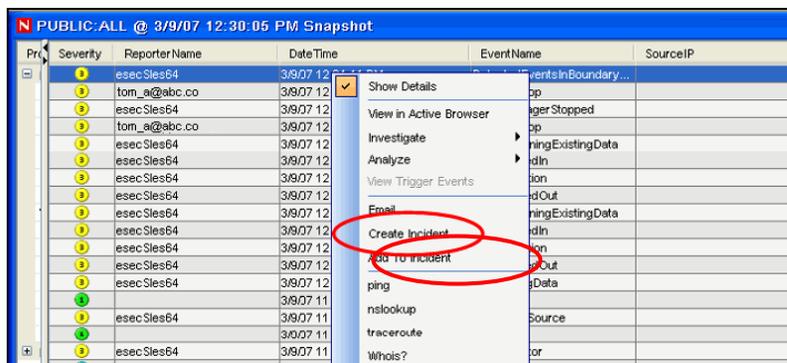
To create an Incident:

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**NOTE:** It is possible to create an incident that does not contain any events. Events can always be added to Incidents.

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1. In a *Real Time Event Table* of the *Visual Navigator* or a *Snapshot Real Time Event Table*, select an event or a group of events and right-click and select *Create Incident*.



**Figure 13-8:** Creating Incident

2. In the *Incident Window* are the following tabs:
  - **Events:** Shows which events make up the incident
  - **Assets:** Show affected assets
  - **Vulnerability:** Show related asset vulnerabilities
  - **Advisor:** Asset attack and alert information
  - **iTRAC:** Under this tab, you can assign an iTRAC Process
  - **History:** Incident history
  - **Attachments:** You can attach any document or text file with pertinent information to this incident
  - **Notes:** You can specify any general notes you want to refer regarding this incident.
3. In the *Create Incident* dialog box, provide:
  - Title
  - State
  - Severity
  - Priority
  - Category
  - Responsible
  - Description
  - Resolution
4. Click *Create*. The incident is added under the *Incidents* tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

# iTRAC

## Instantiating a Process

An iTRAC process can be instantiated in the iTRAC server by associating an iTRAC process to an incident the following methods:

- Associate an iTRAC process to the incident at the time of incident creation
- Associate an iTRAC process to incident after an incident has been created
- Associate an iTRAC process to an incident as an action when deploying a correlation rule

For more information on association a process to an incident, see “Correlation Tab” and “Incidents Tab”.

### Example Scenario – Creating a Simple Two Tiered iTRAC Process for a Possible Network Attack

**NOTE:** To perform all of the scenarios in the iTRAC section, iTRAC scenario sections must be followed in the order presented.

This discusses how to make a simple two tiered iTRAC Process. The process is flow of steps that can be taken in the event there is a possible attack on your system.

The example process is:

- Asks the question (in the first step – a manual step [Decide if Hacked]), from a preliminary look has the network been attacked? This leads to a Decision Step.

**NOTE:** All Decision Steps provide different execution paths depending on the value of the variable defined in the previous step.

- If there has been an attack, go collect necessary data to determine if there has been an attack. If there is no attack, send an email out to the supervisor that there is not an attack.
- The Collect Data step is to review the data to make a better determination if there has been an attack.
- If there has been an attack, take measures to prevent another attack and send an email out to the supervisor that proper measures have been taken. If there is no attack, send an email out to the supervisor that there is not an attack.

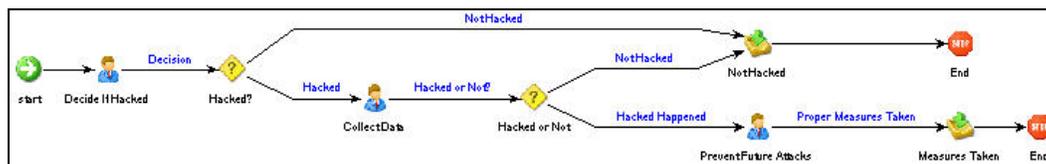
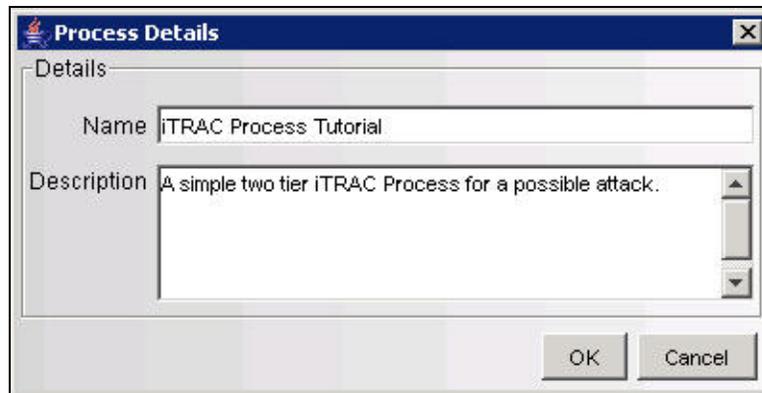


Figure 13-9: iTRAC Process

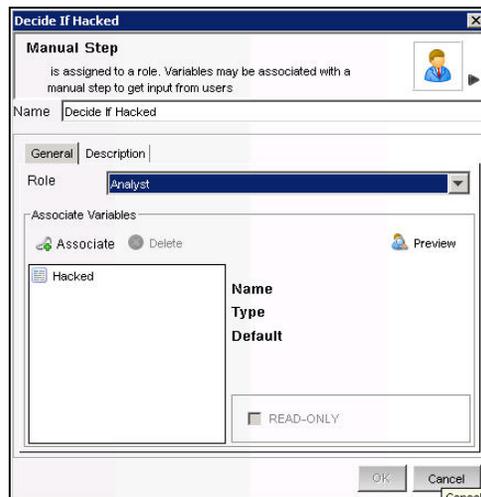
To Create an iTRAC Process:

1. Click the *iTRAC* tab.
2. In the navigation pane, click *iTRAC Administration > Template Manager*.
3. In the *Template Manager* window, click *Add*.
4. The *iTRAC Process Builder* displays with a *Process Details* window. Provide the name *iTRAC Tutorial*. Optionally, add a description.



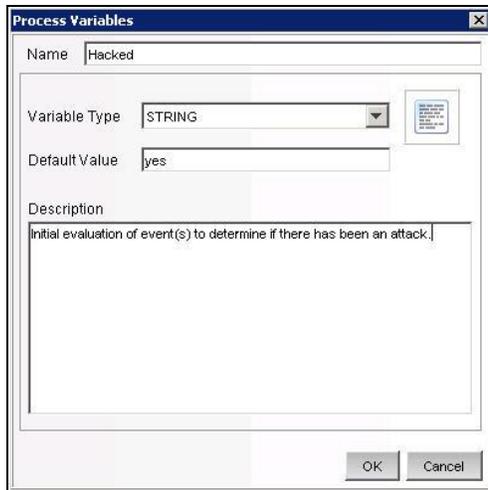
**Figure 13-10:** Process Details window

5. From the Step Palette pane, drag and drop three Manual Steps, two Mail Steps, and two Decision Steps. Rename and the attributes to the steps as follows by right-clicking and selecting *Edit Step*.
  - Manual Step-0 to *Decide If Hacked*
    - set *Role* to Analyst
    - click *Associate*
    - click *Add*
    - provide *Hacked* in the *Name* field



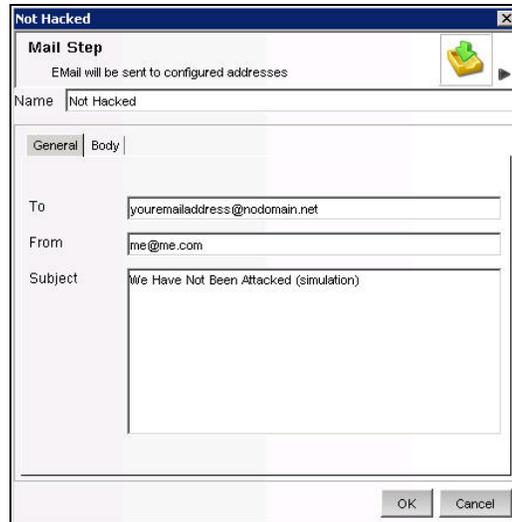
**Figure 13-11:** Decide If Hacked-Manual Step

- in the *Process Variables* window select the *Variable Type* as *String*
- provide *Default Value* as *yes*



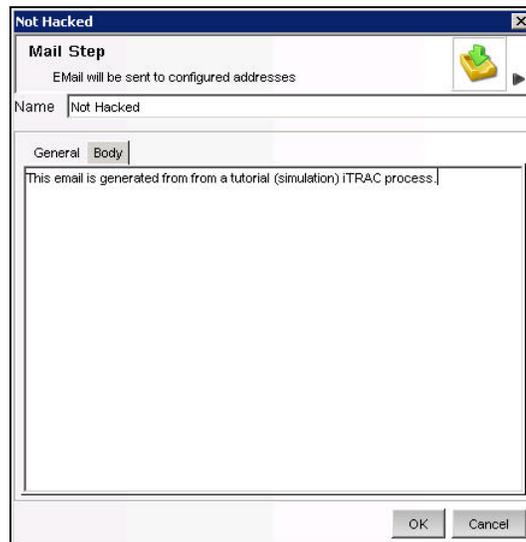
**Figure 13-12: Process Variables**

- under the *Description* tab, (optional) specify *Initial evaluation of event(s)* to determine if there has been an attack
    - click *OK*
    - highlight the newly created association, continue to click *OK* until the step is renamed
  - Manual Step-1 to *Collect Data*
    - set Role to *Analyst*
    - click *Associate*
    - highlight *Hacked*, click *OK*
    - under the *Description* tab, (optional) specify *To further evaluate after collecting of events to determine if there has been an attack.*
    - click *OK*, the step should be renamed
  - Manual Step-2 to *Prevent Future Attacks*
    - set Role to *Analyst*
    - under the *Description* tab, (optional) specify *Take measures to stop the attack (firewall, router or other intrusion protection method). Also, if possible, determine how the attacked was done.*
    - click *OK*, the step should be renamed
  - Mail Step-3 to *Not Hacked*
    - in the *To* field, (because this is for tutorial) provide your email address. When this step completes it will send you an email
    - in the *From* field, provide a *made up* address such as *me@nowhere.com*
    - in the *Subject* field, specify *We have not been hacked.*



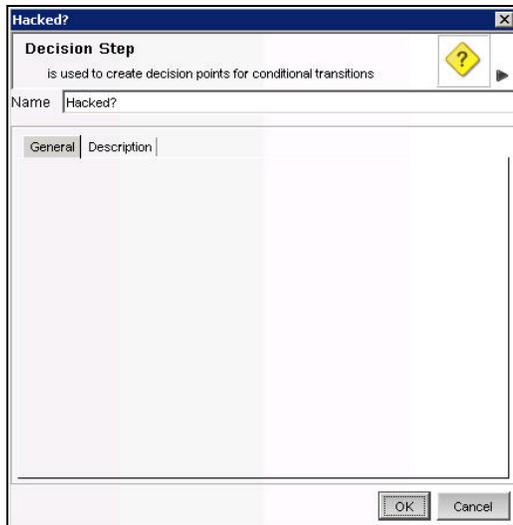
**Figure 13-13:** *Not Hacked-General tab*

- Under the *Body* tab, (optional) specify *This email is generated from a tutorial (simulation) iTRAC process.*



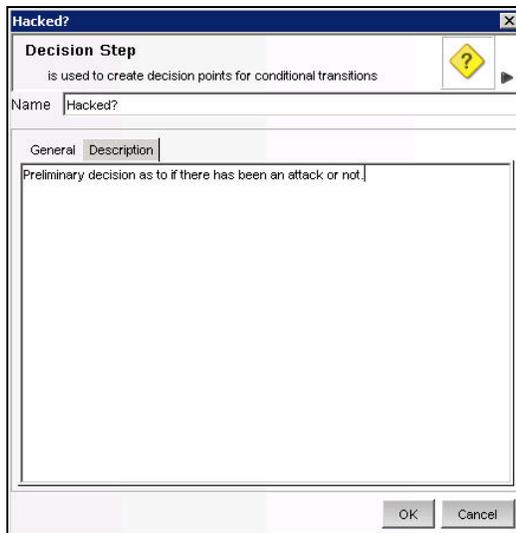
**Figure 13-14:** *Not Hacked-Body tab*

- click *OK*
- Mail Step-4 to *Prevent Future Attacks*
  - in the *To* field, specify your email address
  - in the *From* field, specify a *made up* email address
  - in the *Subject* field, specify *Proper Attack Measures Taken*
  - Under the *Body* tab, (optional) specify *This email is generated from a tutorial (simulation) iTRAC process.*
- Decision Step-5 to *Hacked?* (optional) Under the *Description* tab, (optional) provide a description such as *Preliminary decision as to if there has been an attack or not.*



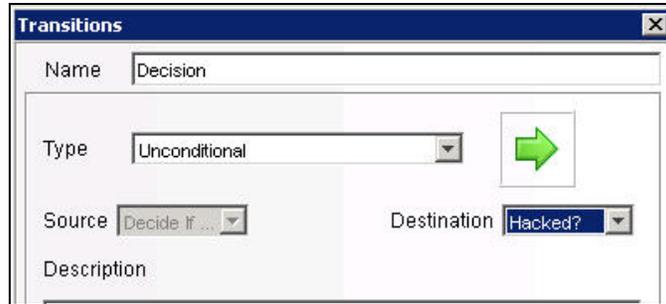
**Figure 13-15:** Not Hacked-General tab

- Decision Step-6 to *Hacked or Not*. (optional) Under the *Description* tab, you might provide a description such as *Decision as to if there has been an attack or not*.



**Figure 13-16:** Not Hacked-Description tab

6. Right-click *Start* and select *Add Start Transition*. Select destination to step *Decide If Hacked*.
7. Right-click *Decide If Hacked* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
  - Name, provide *Decision*
  - Type, select *Unconditional*
  - Destination: *Hacked?*



**Figure 13-17: Transitions**

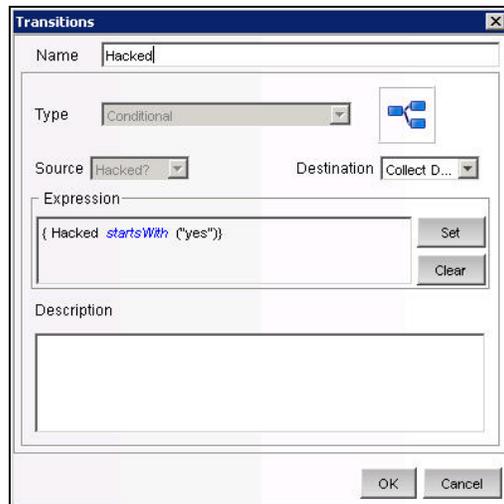
- Click *OK*
8. Right-click *Hacked?* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
- Name, provide *Not Hacked*
  - Type, select *else*
  - Destination: *Not Hacked*
  - Click *OK*

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**NOTE:** A decision step provides different execution paths depending on the value of the variable defined in the previous step. A Decision Step can have more than two transitions.

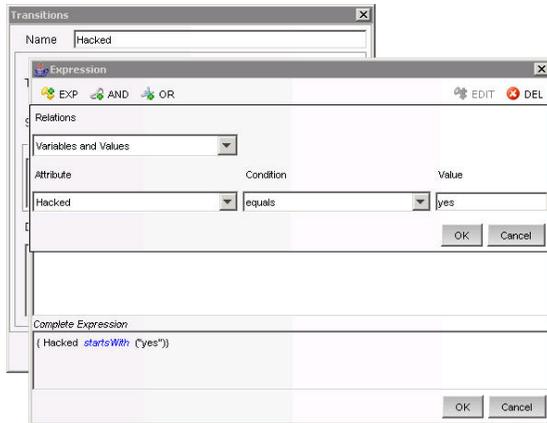
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9. Right-click *Not Hacked* and select *End Transition*.
10. Right-click *Hacked?* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
- Name, provide *Hacked*
  - Type, select *Conditional*
  - Destination: *Collect Data*



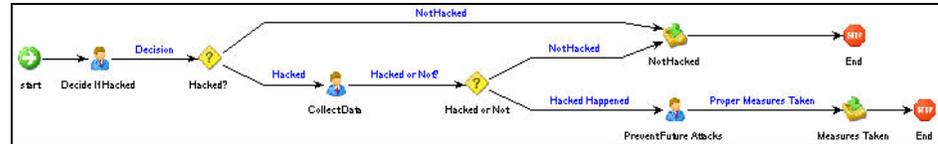
**Figure 13-18: Transitions window**

- Click *Set > EXP*
  - Select Variables and Values
  - Select Attribute *Hacked*
  - Select Condition *equals*
  - Specify Value of *yes*



**Figure 13-19: Setting Expressions**

- Click *OK* until the transition is complete
11. Right-click *Collect Data* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
    - Name, *Hacked or Not?*
    - Type, *Unconditional*
    - Destination, *Hacked or Not*
  12. Right-click *Hacked or Not* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
    - Name, *Not Hacked*
    - Type, *Else*
    - Destination, *Not Hacked*
  13. Right-click *Hacked or Not* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
    - Name, *Hack Happened*
    - Type, *Conditional*
    - Destination, *Prevent Future Attacks*
    - Click *Set > EXP*
      - Select *Variables and Values*
      - Select Attribute *Hacked*
      - Select Condition *equals*
      - Specify Value of *yes*
    - Click *OK* until the transition is complete
  14. Right-click *Prevent Future Attacks* and select *Add Transition*. Select and specify the following:
    - Name, *Proper Measures Taken*
    - Type, *Unconditional*
    - Destination, *Measures Taken*
  15. Right-click *Measures Taken* and select *Add End Transition*.



**Figure 13-20: iTRAC Process**

16. Click *Save*. Your new process should appear in the Template Manager.

### Example Scenario – Running an iTRAC Process for a Possible Network Attack

The following example assumes the following:

- A process named *iTRAC Process Tutorial* has been assigned to your role (analyst)

**NOTE:** This is a process created in Section. [Example Scenario – Creating a Simple Two Tiered iTRAC Process for a Possible Network Attack](#).

- All steps within the process belong to the Analyst group

**NOTE:** By assigning steps to other roles, will mean having to log out and then log in as a user assigned to that role and accept the process. For simplicity, the following example is assigned to one role.

To run this process, this process must first be assigned to an incident.

#### To Start or Terminate a Process:

1. Click the *Incident* tab.
2. Click *Incidents > Create Incidents*.
3. Specify the following:
  - Title: *iTRAC Tutorial*
  - Category: *Other*
  - Responsible: assign this Incident to yourself
4. Click the *iTRAC* tab, select *iTRAC Process Tutorial*.
5. Click *Create*.

**NOTE:** Because this is a tutorial Incident and not a true Incident, it can be deleted without negatively affecting your Sentinel setup.

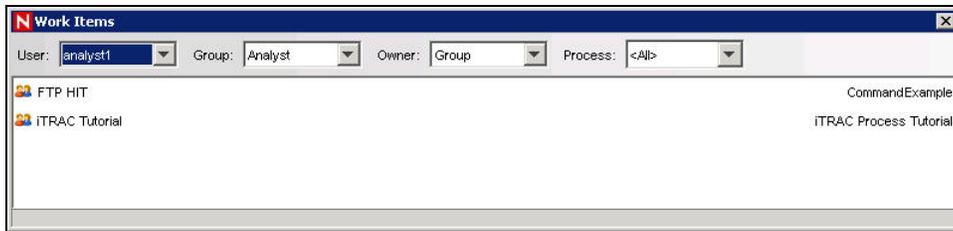
6. From anywhere in the Sentinel GUI, click the *Analyst* group (yellow bar) under *View work items*.



**Figure 13-21: View work items panel**

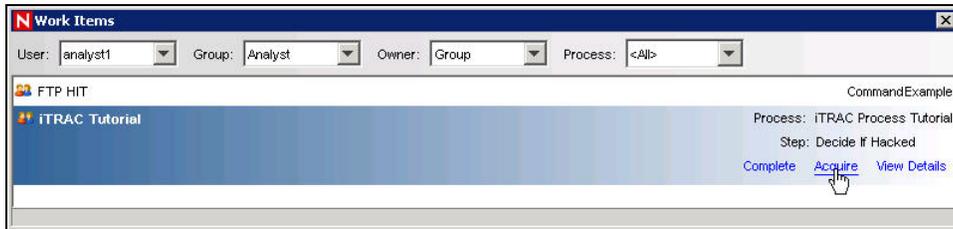
**NOTE:** Your bar might already be partially green indicating that you have accepted (acquired) an iTRAC Process.

7. All of the processes assigned to the Analyst role displays.



**Figure 13-22:** Work Items window

8. To accept a Work Item, highlight *iTRAC Tutorial* and click *Acquire*.



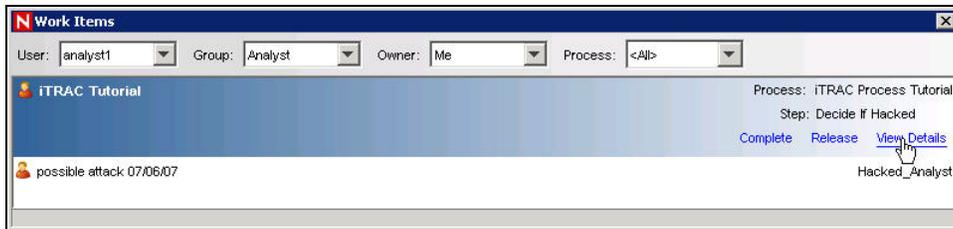
**Figure 13-23:** Work Items window-Acquire

If the *View Work Item* list bar was yellow as illustrated above, it changes with an addition of a green bar.



**Figure 13-24:** View work items panel

9. Click the green bar under *View work items*. In the *Work Items* window, click *View Details*.



**Figure 13-25:** Work Items window-View Details

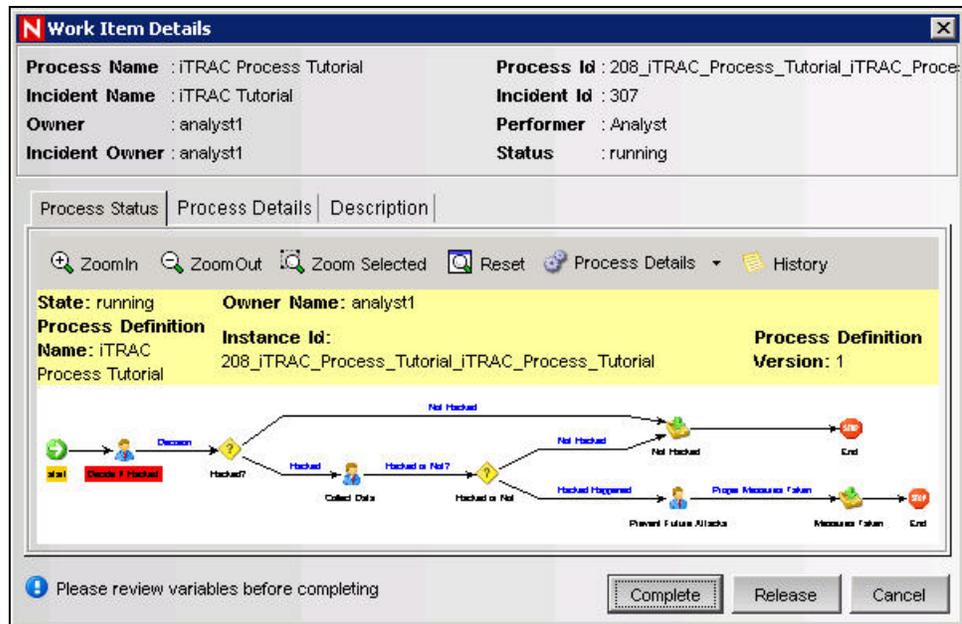


Figure 13-26: Work Items Details window-Process Status tab

The red highlighted step indicates what step this process is currently in.

- To start the steps within this process, click the *Process Details* tab.

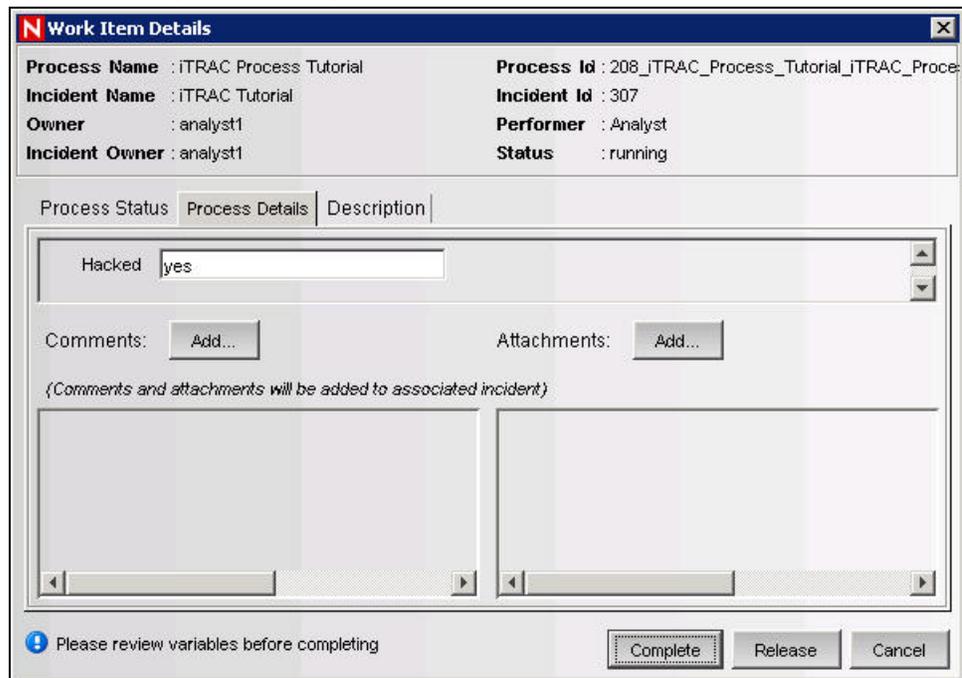
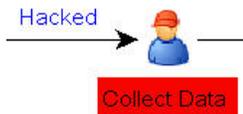


Figure 13-27: Work Items Details window-Process Details tab

For this manual step the variable *yes* is specified. Providing another value such as *no* or *else* (no attack) will result in going to an email that will send an automatic email and complete the process. Let say that initial assessment is that there is an attack, with the hacked variable equal to *yes*, click *Complete* (to complete this step, not complete the process).

- In the *Work Items* window, highlight the process and click *View Details*. The *Collect Data* step should be highlighted in red. As before, this is a manual step.



**Figure 13-28:** Highlight Collect Data and click View Details

12. Click the *Process Details* tab.
13. Again, the variable page displays. In the previous step of the iTRAC Process, Collect Data is a step to further determine by analyzing the event(s) of interest if an attack has occurred. Let's say that an attack has occurred. Leave the default value of *yes*. If this were a real attack, it will be beneficial to add clear notes and/or attachments as to the information about this attack. Click *Complete*.
14. In *Work Items* window, highlight the process and click *View Details*. The *Prevent Future Attacks* step should be highlighted in red. As before, this is a manual step.
15. In this manual step, measures should be taken to harden the network to prevent future attacks. When this is done, as before it will be beneficial to add clear notes and/or attachments as to the information about this attack. Click *Complete*.

The next step is an automatic email step indicating that proper anti-attack measures have been taken. The iTRAC Process will be removed from the *Work Items* window.

Also, if you go to the *Process View* window it indicates as *Complete* or if you double-click this process, it indicates as *Complete*.



**Figure 13-29:** Complete State

## Report Analyst

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**NOTE:** Assumption, your Security Administrator has configured your Crystal Enterprise Web Server and published a list of available reports.

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### Analysis Tab

The *Analysis* tab allows for historical reporting. Historical and vulnerability reports are published on a Crystal Web Server, these run directly against the Sentinel database. These reports can be useful to track and investigate activity over a large time frame, for instance a week or a month. These reports can also be used as a high level reporting method to your supervisors. If your reporting Web Server is installed, look in the navigator bar to see what reports are available.

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**NOTE:** Your reports might be different, Sentinel Crystal Reports are “living” reports. They are under constant updating.

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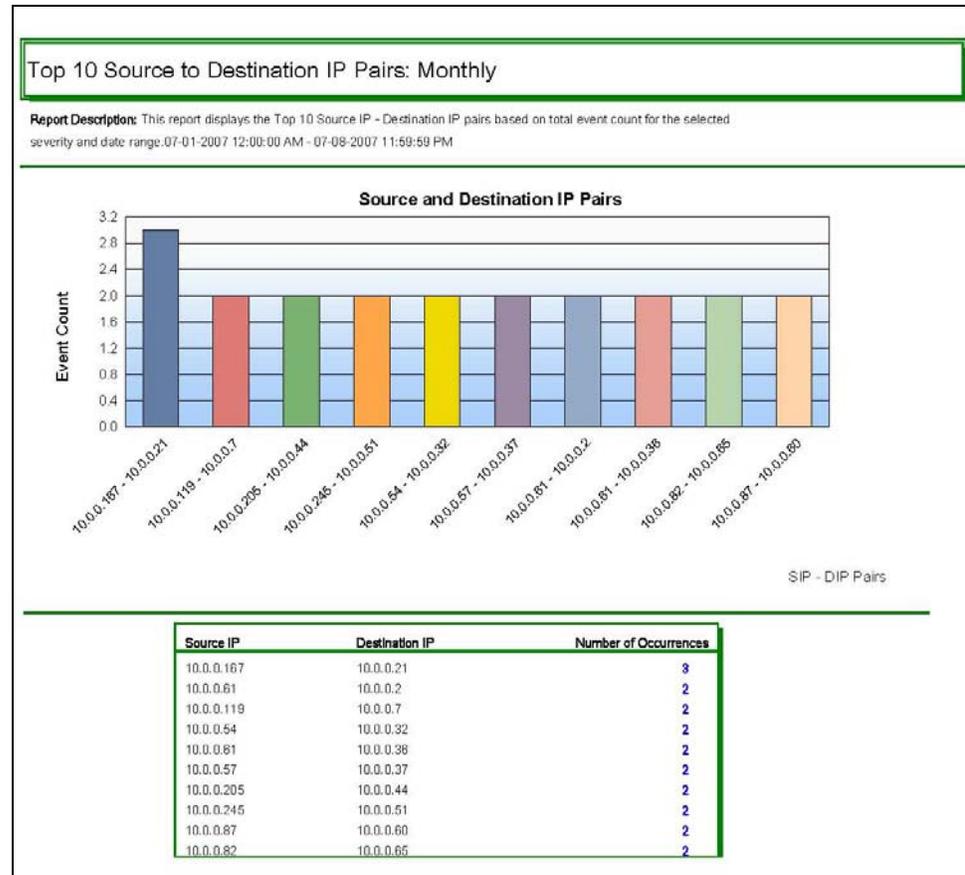
For example, if you are responsible for generating reports to upper management within your organization, you can run Source Destination Reports. These are Top 10 Source to Destination IP Pairs on hosts names, ports, IPs and users. To run this report, do the following:

To run a Crystal Report:

1. Expand *Top 10* and highlight *Top 10 Source to Destination IP Pairs* and click *Create Reports* (magnifying glass).
2. Specify Sentinel Report User (for SQL authentication and Oracle) as the username or your Windows Authentication username and specify your password.
3. Under *Report Type*, select one of the following:
  - Specific Date Range
  - Prior Day
  - Daily Report
  - Weekly Report
  - Monthly Report

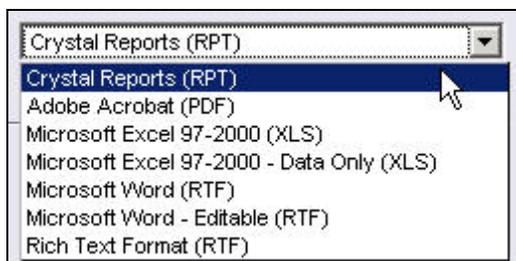
**NOTE:** Other reports might have additional parameters such as resource name and severity range.

4. Click *OK*. The following is a sample monthly report.



**Figure 13-30: Monthly Report**

5. You can export this file as a doc, pdf, rtf, xls or as a Crystal Report by clicking *Export* (envelope).



**Figure 13-31:** Export formats

Similar to the Security Analyst, if you have an event or events of interest within your reports, you can run an Event Query under the *Analysis* tab. To run a query, highlight *Historical Events > Historical Event Queries* and click *Create Reports* (magnifying glass). For more information, see section [Event Query Sample Scenario](#).

## Administrators

### Simple Correlation

Correlation is the process of analyzing security events to identify potential relationships between two or more events. Correlation allows quick association of priority attacks based on common elements of event data.

The following example is written for the *Data Generator Connector* that comes installed in Sentinel as a test event generator.

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**NOTE:** Anytime the *Data Generator Connector* is running, it will be putting data into your database. Having a correlation rule fire that is associated with the *Data Generator Connector* will add additional data to your database.

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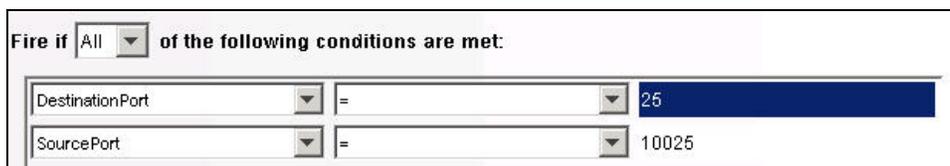
To Create a Simple Correlation Rule:

1. Click the *Correlation* tab and highlight *Correlation Rule Manager* in the navigation bar.
2. In the *Correlation Rule Manager* window, click *Add*.
3. Click *Simple* to create a simple rule.
4. Select *Fire if All* (in the drop-down menu).



**Figure 13-32:** Select condition

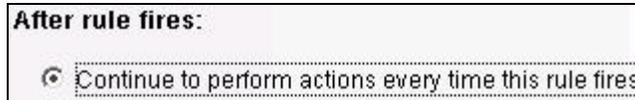
5. Specify the following:
  - SourcePort = 10025
  - DestinationPort = 25



**Figure 13-33:** Specify details

Click *Next*.

6. To have this rule fire as many times as possible, select *Continue to perform actions every time this fires*.



**Figure 13-34:** Select from After rule fires options

Click *Next*.

7. In the *General Description* window, specify a name. Recommend a name and description that indicates that this is tutorial rule and cannot be germane to the network.



**Figure 13-35:** General Description window

Click *Next*.

8. Select not to create another rule, click *Next*.

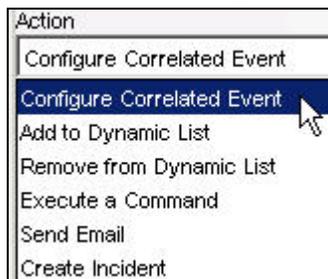
To Deploy the Simple Correlation Rule:

1. Click the *Correlation* tab and highlight *Correlation Rule Manager* in the navigation bar.
2. Click *Tutorial\_SourcePort\_DestinationPort* (this is the name of the rule from the previous example) > *Deploy Rule*.



**Figure 13-36:** Correlation Rule Manager window

3. (optional) In the *Deploy Rule* window, you can add an action. This allows you to:
  - Configure Correlated Event
  - Add to Dynamic List
  - Remove from Dynamic List
  - Execute a Command
  - Send Email
  - Create Incident



**Figure 13-37:** Select action in Deploy Rule window

Click *Next*. The rule indicates deployed by the color green.



Figure 13-38: Deployed Rule

To view what events triggered your correlated event

1. Right-click the correlated event and select *View Trigger Events* to see how many events (could be more than 1) triggered this correlation rule.

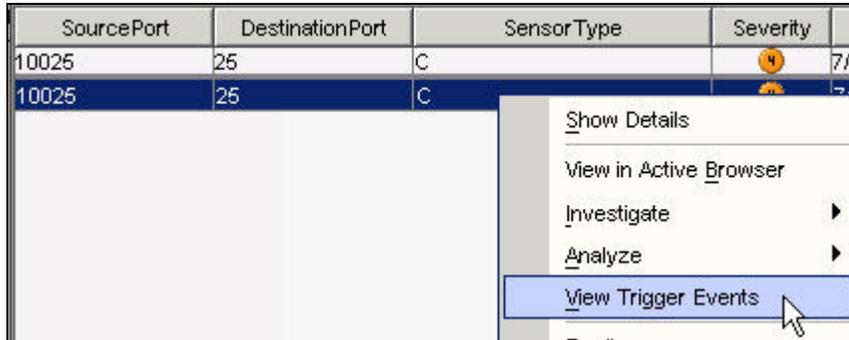


Figure 13-39: Selecting View Trigger Events



Figure 13-40: Correlated Events display

# 14 Solution Packs

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## Solution Packs

Solution Packs allow Novell, partners, and customers to create and easily manage solutions to specific business problems. They provide a framework within which sets of content can be packaged into controls, each of which is designed to enforce a specific business or technical policy. The control can use any of the detection, filtering, alerting, and response features of Sentinel, as well as provide documentation on control status and enforcement. By managing the set of content as a unit within the control, the Solution Pack solves dependency problems and simplifies implementation.

Controls within a Solution Pack can include the following types of content:

- Correlation Rule Deployments, including deployment status and associated Correlation Rules, Correlation Actions, and Dynamic Lists
- Reports
- iTRAC Workflows, including associated Roles
- Event enrichment, including map definitions and event metatag configuration
- Other associated files added when the Solution Pack is created, such as documentation, example report PDFs, or sample map files.

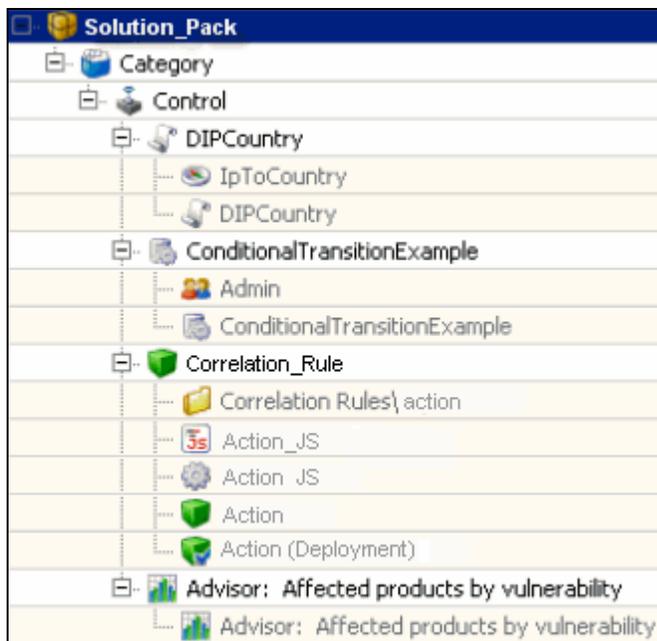
Although Solution Packs have many uses, one is to package content related to governance and regulatory compliance into a comprehensible and easily enforceable framework that is easy to deploy. Novell and its partners will offer and extend Solution Packs around such regulations or other customer needs.

Solution Packs are created with *Solution Designer* application. Using this tool, a user creates the Solution Pack, associated controls and documentation (including implementation and testing steps), and then associates Sentinel content with each control. The entire package is then exported as a ZIP file.

The ZIP file containing the Solution Pack is imported and deployed into an existing Sentinel system using the *Solution Manager* in the Sentinel Control Center. The *Solution Manager* displays implementation and testing steps in the Solution Pack and tracks the status of each control. At any time, users can generate a detailed document with implementation status for each control.

## Components of a Solution Pack

Solution Packs consist of Categories, Controls, Content and Content Groups. These components are represented in a hierarchy. The following image depicts the hierarchy in a Solution Pack:



*Figure 14-1: Solution Pack hierarchy*

The table below describes each level in a Solution Pack hierarchy.

	Solution Pack	Solution Pack is the root node in the content hierarchy. Each Solution Pack can contain one or multiple Category node(s).
	Category	Category is a conceptual classification. Each Category can contain one or multiple Control(s).
	Control	Control is another level of classification, which often corresponds to a particular control defined by a set of regulations. Each Control can contain one or multiple Content Group.
N/A	Content Group	Content Group is a set of related content. There are several types of Content Groups, such as Reports, Correlation Rules, and Event Configurations, each with its own icon.

*Table 14-1: Solution Pack hierarchy levels*

The table below describes the types of Content Groups and the content that they contain.

	Event Configuration	Event Configuration is a Content Group that contains a Map Definition and the configuration of one or more related Sentinel metatags.  This icon is also used for the metatag configuration definition.
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	Map	Indicates the Map Definition Instance.
	Workflow	Workflow is a Content Group that contains an iTRAC Workflow template and any associated Roles. This icon is also used for the iTRAC workflow template itself.
	Role	Indicates a Role used in a Workflow.
	Correlation Rule	Correlation Rule is a Content Group that contains a correlation rule, the namespace in which it is stored, and any associated correlation actions or dynamic lists. This icon is also used for the correlation rule definition.
	Namespace	Indicates Namespace Instance in which the correlation rule is stored
	JavaScript	Indicates JavaScript file used in correlation action.
	Action	Indicates Action Configuration for a correlation action.
	Correlation Rule Deployment	Indicates the Correlation Rule deployment.
	Report	Report is a Content Group that contains a Crystal report. This icon is also used for the .rpt report file.
	Dynamic List	Indicates Dynamic List.

**Table 14-2:** Types of Content Group

## Permissions for Using Solution Packs

To use the *Solution Manager* or *Solution Designer*, a user must be assigned the necessary permissions in the *User Manager*.

To grant permissions for the Solution Pack:

1. Log into the Sentinel Control Center as a user with permissions to use the *User Manager*.
2. Go to the *Admin* tab.
3. Open the *User Configuration* folder.
4. Open the *User Manager* window.
5. Click the *Permissions* tab.
6. Select *Solution Designer*, *Solution Manager*, or *Solution Pack* (which will automatically select both child permissions). The new permissions will be applied the next time the user logs in.

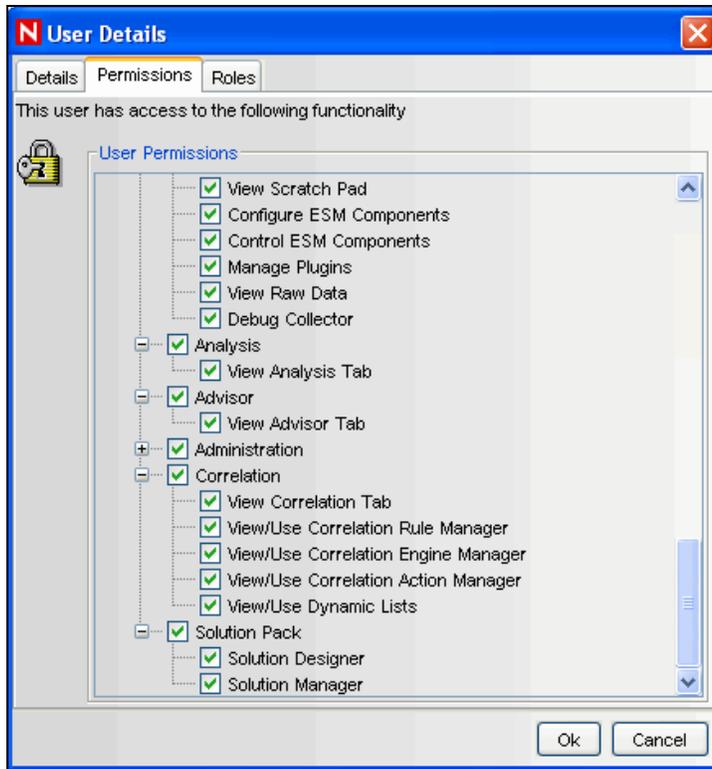


Figure 14-2: User Details window

## Solution Manager

After a Solution Pack is imported, the *Solution Manager* in the Sentinel Control Center is used to install, implement and test each Control.

- Installing a Control installs the child content for the Control into the Sentinel system. When the content is initially installed, its status is Not Implemented.
- Implementing a Control is the process to configure event source systems and Sentinel to use the content associated with the Control. Novell Solution Packs include detailed documentation describing implementation steps. The user should change the status of the Control to Implemented after following all of these steps.
- Testing a Control is the process to verify the content associated with the Control. Novell Solution Packs include detailed documentation describing testing steps. The user should change the status of the Control to Tested after following all of these steps.

To use the *Solution Manager*, a user must be assigned *Solution Manager* permissions under Solution Pack.

## Solution Manager Interface

The *Solution Manager* window is divided into two frames: *Content* and *Documentation*.

### Content Frame

*Content* Frame provides Solution Pack zip extracted information. The *Content* frame displays a hierarchical view of the Category, Control, Content Group, and various types of content. All parent nodes reflect the overall state of the controls they contain. This means that parent nodes have an inherited status based on their child content.

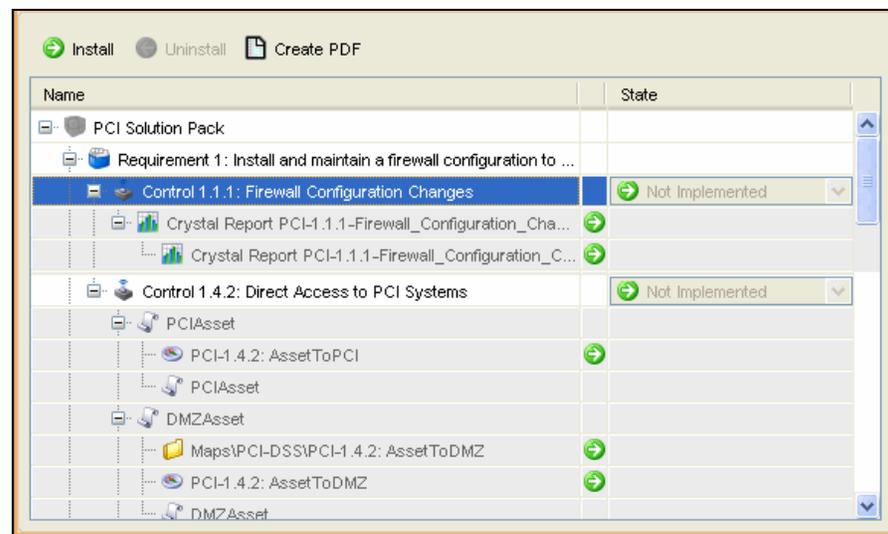
The *Content* frame consists of the following columns:

- **Name:** Displays the name of the node.
- **Installed:** Indicates whether the content is installed in the target Sentinel system. If not, this column will be blank.
- **State:** This column is available for the control node. This column contain a drop-down box with the following values:
  - **Not Implemented:** This is the default state when the control is first deployed.
  - **Implemented:** This state indicates that the content is fully implemented using the associated documentation.
  - **Tested:** This state indicate that you have fully tested the content for this control using the associated documentation.

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**NOTE:** Because of the regulatory significance of implementing controls, status changes for each control are tracked for auditing purposes.

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**Figure 14-3:** Content Frame

### Documentation Frame

The *Documentation* frame provides description of selected node Descriptive information provided when creating the Solution Pack using *Solution Designer* is displayed here. For more information on *Solution Designer*, see [“Solution Designer.”](#)

The following informational tabs, populated and edited using the *Solution Designer*, are available in *Documentation* frame:

- **Description:** This tab displays the description of selected node. An additional panel is attached to this tab called *Attachment*. You can view attachments and their description in the *Description* tab.

The user can add text to the *External ID* field to refer to specific regulations or corporate IDs.

- **Implementation:** This tab, associated with the control nodes, displays the instructions for implementing the selected control.
- **Testing:** This tab, associated with the control nodes, displays the instructions for testing the selected control.

- **Notes:** The *Notes* tab, associated with the control nodes, is editable. This can be used for any notes related to the control, including user comments on the testing or implementation process.

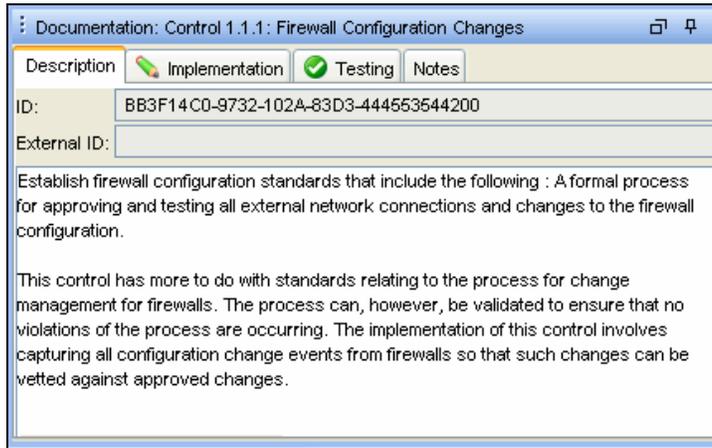


Figure 14-4: Documentation Frame

## Managing Solution Packs

### Importing Solution Packs

Solution Packs are available from several sources. They can be downloaded from <http://support.novell.com/products/sentinel6> (an additional license might be needed). They can be provided by one of Novell's partners, or they can be created from content in your own Sentinel system.

The first step in using a Solution Pack is to import the .zip file into the system using the *Import Plugin Wizard*. When a Solution Pack is imported, the .zip file is copied to the server where the DAS (Data Access Service) components are installed. The actual contents of the Solution Pack are not available in the target Sentinel system until the Controls are installed using the *Solution Manager*.

If you import an updated version of a Solution Pack, you are prompted to replace the existing plugin.

To import Solution Packs:

1. Click *Admin* on the menu bar and select *Solution Packs*. Alternatively, select *Solution Packs* from *Navigator* or click *Solution Pack* on the tool bar. The *Solution Packs* window displays.

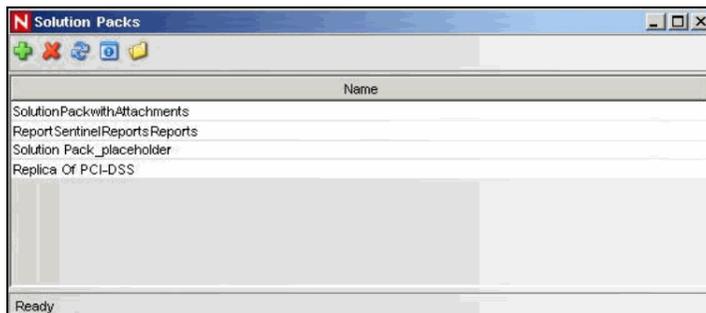


Figure 14-5: Solution Pack window

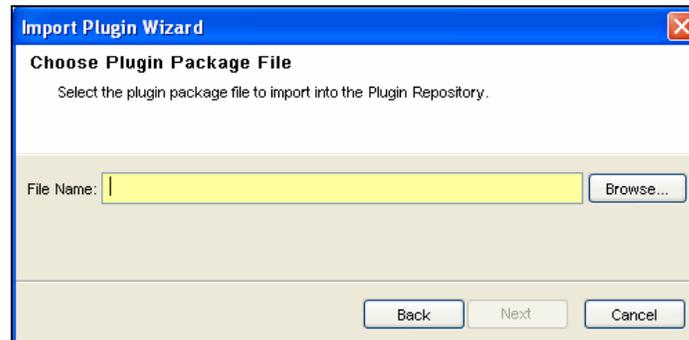
2. Click *Import* icon in the *Solution Packs* window. The *Import Plugin Type* window displays.



**Figure 14-6:** *Import Plugin Wizard-Plugin Import Type* window

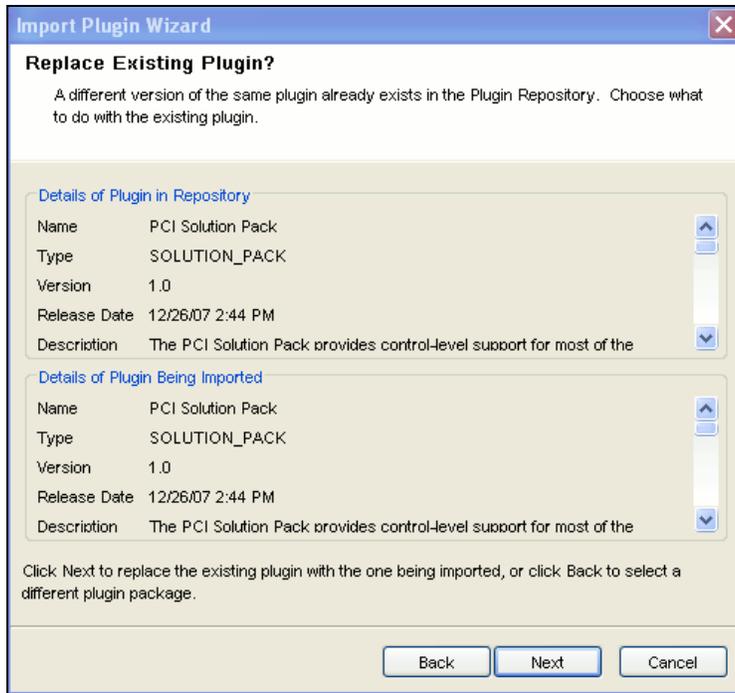
Select *Import Solution package plugin file (.zip)*. Click *Next*. The *Choose Plugin Package File* window displays.

3. Use the *Browse* button to locate Solution Pack to import to the plugin repository. Select a zip file and Click *Open*.



**Figure 14-7:** *Import Plugin Wizard-Choose Plugin Package File* window

If you have selected a solution pack which already exists then the *Replace Existing Plugin* window displays. Click *Next* if you want to replace the existing plugins.



**Figure 14-8:** *Import Plugin Wizard-Replace Existing Plugin?* window

Click *Next*. The *Plugin Detail* window displays.

4. The details of the plug-in to be imported are displayed. Check the *Launch Solution Manager* checkbox if you want to deploy the plug-in after importing the Solution Pack. If you check the *Launch Solution Manager* check box, the *Solution Manager* displays.

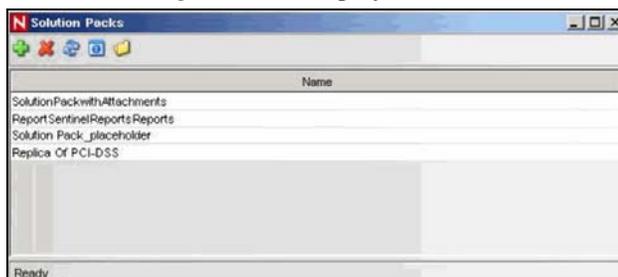
Click *Finish*

## Opening Solution Packs

To use the *Solution Manager* and view the contents of a Solution Pack, a user must be assigned *Solution Manager* permissions. For more information, see [“Permission for Using Solution Packs.”](#)

To open a Solution Pack in the Solution Manager:

1. Click *Admin* on the menu bar and select *Solution Packs*. Alternatively, select *Solution Packs* from *Navigator* or click *Solution Package* on the tool bar. The *Solution Package* window displays:



**Figure 14-9:** *Solution Pack* window

2. Double-click a Solution Pack in the *Solution Packs* window. The *Solution Manager* window displays.

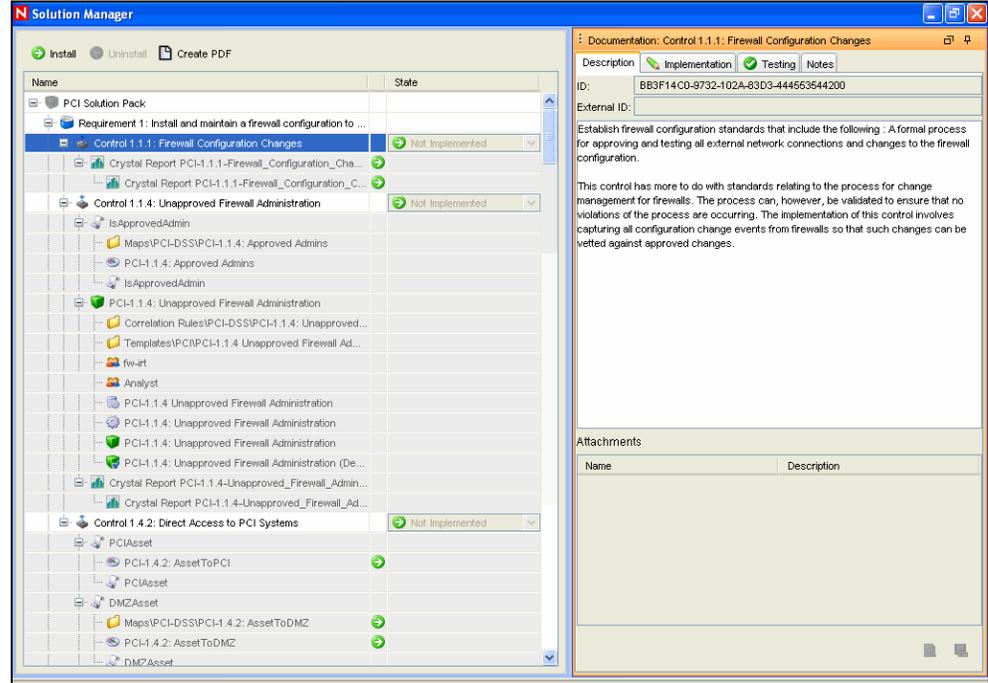


Figure 14-10: Solution Manager

## Content Comparison

When the Solution Pack is opened, the *Solution Manager* compares the contents of the Solution Pack to other Solution Pack content (from different Solution Packs or previous versions of the same Solution Pack).

	Installed	Indicates that the content is already installed in the target Sentinel system. The version is the same in the opened Solution Pack and the previously installed Solution Pack.
	Out of Sync	Indicates that a different version of the content is already installed in the target Sentinel system. A difference in name, definition, or description could trigger an Out of Sync status.

Table 14-3: Content Status

## Out Of Sync Status

The *Out of Sync* icon indicates that content in the newly opened Solution Pack differs from a version that was previously installed by another Solution Pack (either a different Solution Pack or a previous version of the same Solution Pack). The name, definition, or description of the content might be different.

**NOTE:** The *Solution Manager* only compares content from different Solution Packs (or different versions of the same Solution Pack) for installed content. It does not compare content that has not yet been installed. It also does not compare Solution Pack content to content in the target system; manual changes to content in the *Sentinel Control Manager* are not reflected in *Solution Manager*.

When you right-click a Solution Pack, you can select *Expand Only Out of Sync Nodes*. This option expands all Controls that are out of sync and collapses all Controls that are either uninstalled or in sync. This makes it easy to find the out of sync content in a large Solution Pack.

To resolve out of sync content:

1. Select the out of sync content (not the Control or Category) in the *Solution Manager*.
2. Right-click and select *Out of sync content details*. A message displays with information about which Solution Pack is the source of the out of sync content.
3. Compare the description of content item in the two Solution Packs to determine which version you want to keep.
4. Uninstall the out of sync Control from all Solution Packs. (Ideally you should resolve the out of sync issue before installing the new Solution Pack.)
5. Reinstall the Control with the content you want to keep.
6. Implement and test as required.

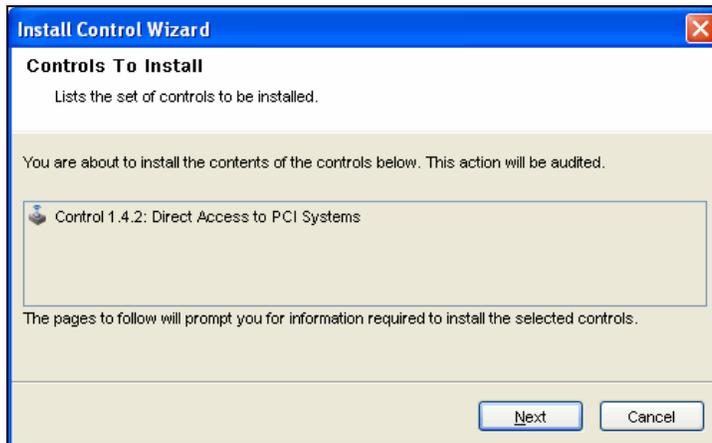
## Installing Content from Solution Packs

To use the content of a Solution Pack in the Sentinel Control Center, you must install the Solution Pack or selected Controls in a Sentinel System (also known as the “target” Sentinel system).

When you install either a Solution Pack or an individual Control, all of the child nodes are installed.

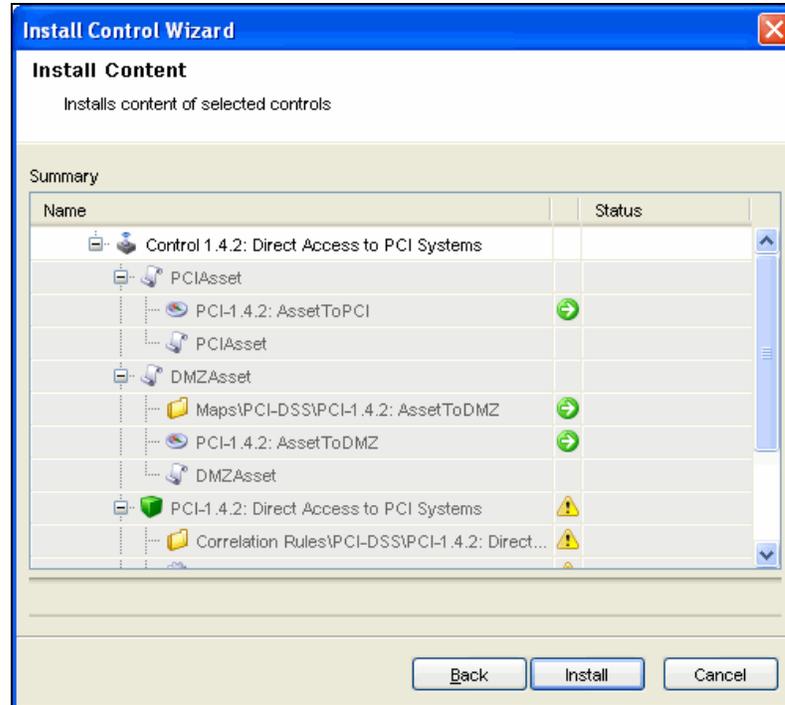
To install the contents of a Solution Pack:

1. Go to *Admin Tab > Solution Packs*.
2. Double-click a Solution Pack to open *Solution Manager*. Alternatively you can click *Open with Solution Manager* icon. The *Solution Manager* window displays.
3. Select a Solution Pack or a Control which you want to install. Click *Install*. Alternatively, right-click on a Solution Pack or Control and select *Install*. The *Install Control Wizard* displays. If you select a Solution Pack, all the controls in that Solution Pack displays. If you select a individual Control then that control is displayed in the *Install Control Wizard* window.



*Figure 14-11: Install Control Wizard-Controls To Install*

4. Click *Next*. If Correlation Rules or Reports are included in the Solution Pack, you need to proceed through several additional screens until you reach the *Install Content* window.



**Figure 14-12:** *Install Control Wizard- Install Content*

Click *Install*.

5. After installation the *Finish* button displays.  
Click *Finish*.

If the installation fails for any content item in the Control, the *Solution Manager* rolls back all the contents in that control to uninstalled.

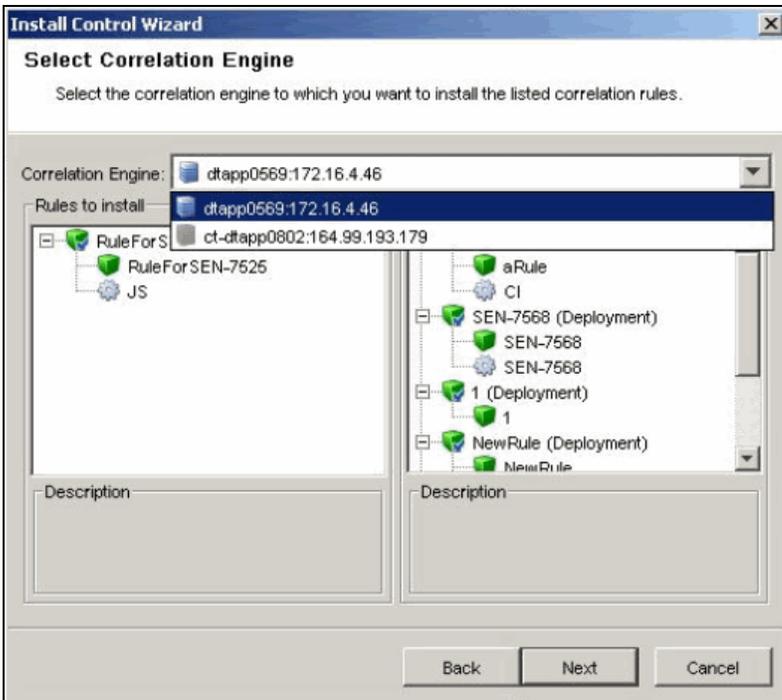
There are special considerations for installing certain types of content, including Correlation Rules and Reports; these issues are described below.

### **Correlation Rules and Actions**

Correlation Rules are deployed to a specific correlation engine. During the Control installation, the following screen shows the correlation engines in the target Sentinel system and the rules that are already running on those engines. Based on the number and complexity of the rules running on the engines, you can decide which correlation engine to which you will deploy the Correlation Rule.

Correlation rules will deploy in an Enabled or Disabled state, depending on their status in the source Sentinel system when the Solution Pack was created.

If an Execute Script Correlation Action is associated with the Correlation Rule, the *Solution Manager* attempts to install the associated JavaScript code on all correlation engines. If any of the correlation engines is unavailable, a message displays.



**Figure 14-13:** Install Control Wizard-Select Correlation Engine

You can cancel the Control’s installation and fix the problem or continue installation on only the available correlation engine(s).



**Figure 14-14:** Unavailable Correlation Engines

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**NOTE:** The Execute Script Correlation Action cannot run on a particular correlation engine if the installation of the JavaScript code fails for that correlation engine. The .js file can be manually copied to the proper directory on the correlation engine. In a default installation, the proper directory is \$ESEC\_HOME/config/exec or %ESEC\_HOME\config\exec.

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If an Execute Command Correlation Action is associated with the Correlation Rule, the *Solution Manager* installs the command and its arguments, but the script, batch file, or utility must be manually configured on the correlation engine(s). This might require installing the utility, configuring permissions, or manually copying a script or batch file to the proper directory on the correlation engine(s).

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**NOTE:** In a default installation, the proper directory for the script or batch file is %ESEC\_HOME/config/exec or %ESEC\_HOME\config\exec.

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## Reports

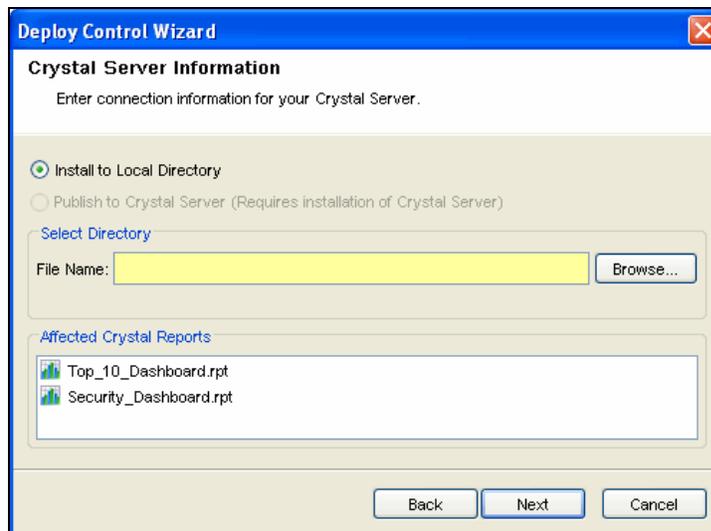
There are two options for publishing Crystal reports. They can be installed to a local directory and then installed using the Crystal Publishing Wizard, or with additional configuration, they can be published directly from the *Solution Manager* to the Crystal Server.

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**NOTE:** Crystal reports must be deleted in the same manner they were added. It is strongly recommended that the *Notes* tab of the *Documentation* frame be edited to indicate whether the reports are added using the local method or the Crystal Server method.

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To install to a local directory on the Sentinel Control Center machine, select *Install to Local Directory* on the screen below and then browse to the directory. Then the user must publish the reports to a SentinelReports folder using the Crystal Publishing Wizard. For more information, see [Crystal Reports for Windows](#) and [Crystal Reports for Linux](#) in [Sentinel Installation Guide](#).



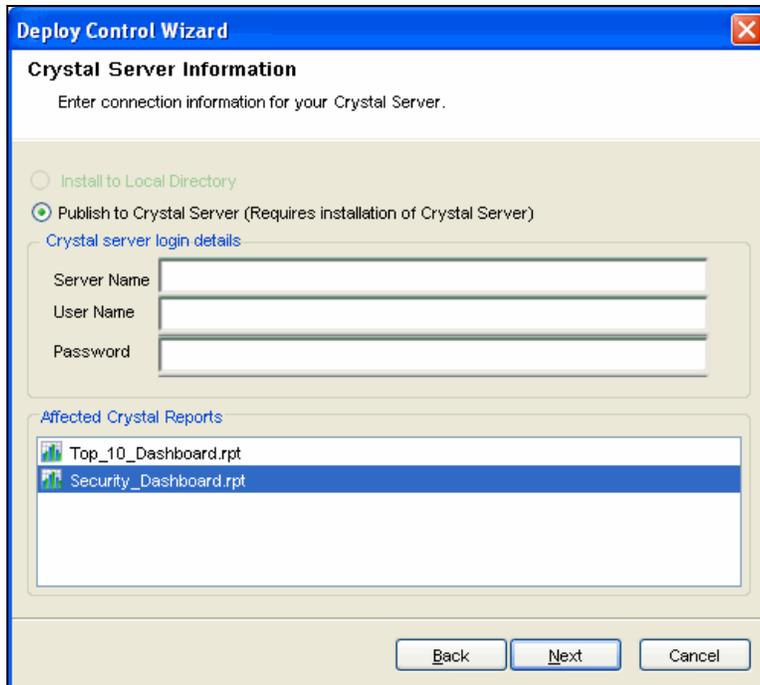
**Figure 14-15:** Deploy Control Wizard-Crystal Server Information

To publish the reports directly to the Crystal Report Server, select *Publish to Crystal Server* and specify the Crystal Server Name, Username and Password. (In a default installation, the Username is “Administrator” and Password is blank.) When you publish directly to the Crystal Server, all reports are installed in the SentinelReports folder so they will be visible from the *Analysis* tab of the Sentinel Control Center. Any folder hierarchy below SentinelReports is also preserved.

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**NOTE:** The direct publishing method is only possible if you configure the Web Server as described in the “Patching Crystal Reports for Use with Sentinel” section of [Crystal Reports for Windows](#) or [Crystal Reports for Linux](#) in the [Sentinel Installation Guide](#).

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**Figure 14-16:** Deploy Control Wizard-Crystal Server Information

You can customize the URL's that the *Solution Manager* will attempt when installing reports. The following procedure allows you to customize the URL's:

To customize the URL:

1. Based on the operating system:
  - **For Windows:** Copy `publish_report.jsp` and `delete_report.jsp` files from <build unzipped directory>\reports\_patch\IIS to \BusinessObjects Enterprise 11.5\Web Content\Enterprise115\WebTools\Sentinel
  - **For Linux:** Copy `publish_report.asp` and `delete_report.asp` files from <build unzipped directory>/reports\_patch/Tomcat to /opt/crystal\_xi/bobje/tomcat/webapps/esec-script/Sentinel

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**Note:** You must create the Sentinel directory if it's not available.

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2. Browse to %ESEC\_HOME%/conf/ folder.
3. Open `SentinelPreferences.properties` file using Notepad for editing. Add the following two new properties to supply customized URL's for publishing and deleting reports:

```
com.eSecurity.Sentinel.crystal.publishURLs=http://#
#HOST##/businessobjects/Enterprise115/WebTools/Sentinel/publish_report.aspx
http://##HOST##:8080/esec-script/publish_report.jsp

com.eSecurity.Sentinel.crystal.deleteURLs=http://##HOST##/businessobjects/Enterprise115/WebTools/Sentinel/delete\_report.aspx
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```
http://##HOST##:8080/esec-  
script/delete_report.jsp
```

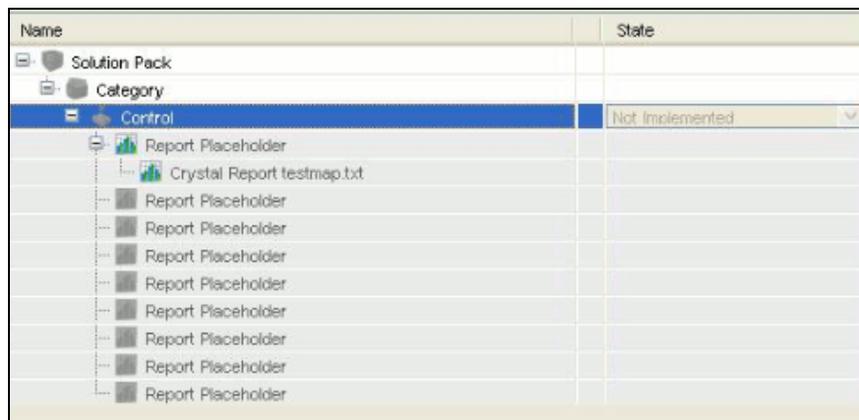
Each of these properties contains two URL's separated with single whitespace.

**Note:** Report generation will fail if the proper port is not specified for the URL's above (For example, 8080 default port for Tomcat).

The string “##HOST##” is automatically substituted with the server name specified during deployment in *Deploy Control Wizard, Crystal Server Installation* window of *Solution Manager*. You can modify these properties or append them with additional URL's.

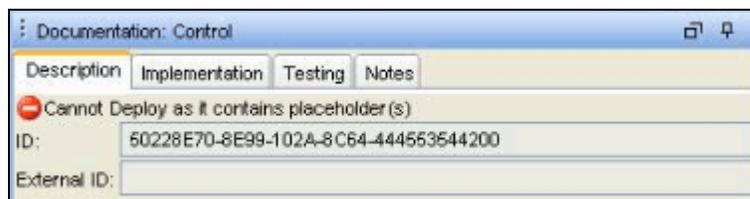
## Content Placeholders

Only fully defined Controls can be installed. For Controls that contain placeholders, the Install option is disabled:



**Figure 14-17:** Controls with Placeholders

The following warning displays in the *Description* frame:



**Figure 14-18:** Documentation Control

## Duplicate Content within Solution Pack

If two separate Controls contain identical content and one Control is deployed successfully, the status of the duplicate content in the other Control is changed to Installed. The remaining child nodes in the second Control stay uninstalled.

Each content item is only installed once. If the same content item (for example, an iTRAC workflow or a correlation rule) is included in more than one Control, it is only installed once. Therefore, if you install one of those Controls, the content displays with an installed status in the other Control. In this scenario, the *Solution Manager* might show that the content for the second Control is only partially installed. See Control 1.4.2 in the example below:

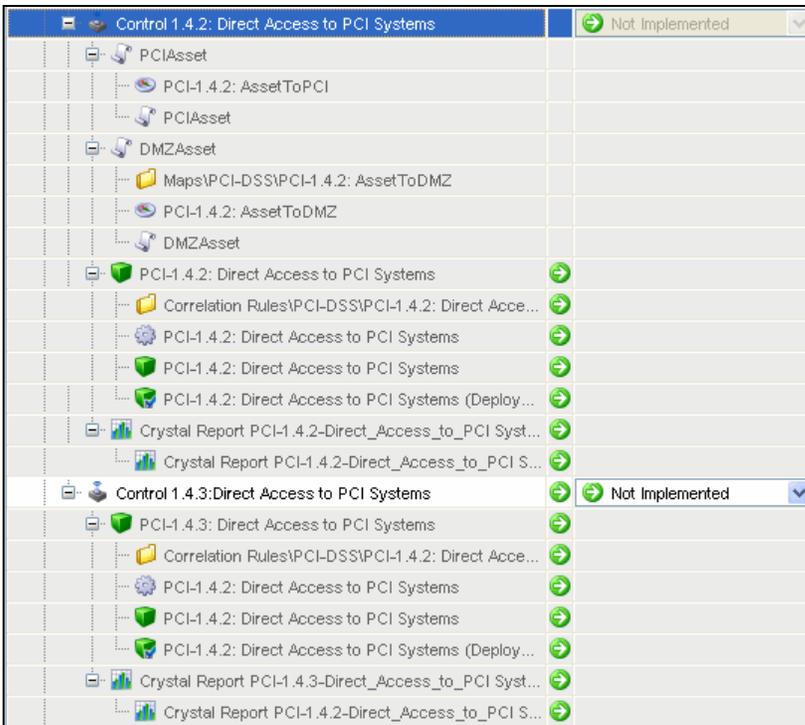


Figure 14-19: Duplicating Content with Solution Pack

## Content with the Same Name in the Target Sentinel System

If the *Solution Manager* detects content with the same name but a different unique identifier in the target Sentinel system, the *Solution Manager* installs the content with a unique ID appended to the name. For example, the rule from the Solution Pack might be named Unauthorized Firewall Change (1). The existing rule in the Sentinel system is unchanged.

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**NOTE:** To prevent confusion for end users, Novell recommends that one of these rules be renamed.

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## Implementing Controls

After the content installation, additional steps might be necessary to fully implement a control, such as the following examples:

- Populate a .csv file that is used by the mapping service for event enrichment.
- Schedule automatic report execution in the Crystal Server.
- Enable auditing on source devices.
- Copy an attached script for Execute Command Correlation Action to the appropriate location on the correlation engine(s).

These steps should be added when the Solution Pack is created in *Solution Designer*.

To implement a control:

1. Open a Solution Pack in *Solution Manager*.
2. Select a Control.
3. Click the *Implementation* tab in the *Documentation* frame.
4. Follow all of the instructions in the *Implementation* tab.

5. Add notes to the *Notes* tab of the *Documentation* frame as necessary to document progress or necessary deviations from the recommended implementation steps.
6. When the implementation is complete, select the Control and change the status drop-down to *Implemented*.
7. An audit event is generated and sent to the Sentinel Control Center.

Because of potential legal and regulatory implications, the status for a Control should only be changed after all of the implementation steps have been successfully completed.

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**NOTE:** A Control must be installed before it can be implemented.

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Control Name	Status
Requirement 1: Install and maintain a firewall configuration to ...	Not Implemented
Control 1.1.1: Firewall Configuration Changes	Not Implemented
Crystal Report PCI-1.1.1-Firewall_Configuration_Cha...	Not Implemented
Crystal Report PCI-1.1.1-Firewall_Configuration_C...	Implemented
Control 1.1.4: Unapproved Firewall Administration	Tested

*Figure 14-20: Control Status*

## Testing Controls

After the content implementation, the content should be tested to verify that it is working as expected. Testing might require steps such as the following:

- Run a report.
- Generate a failed login in a critical server and verify that a correlated event is created and assigned to an iTRAC workflow.

These steps should be added when the Solution Pack is created in *Solution Designer*.

To test a control:

1. Open a Solution Pack in *Solution Manager*.
2. Select a Control.
3. Click the *Testing* tab in the *Documentation* frame.
4. Follow all of the instructions in the *Testing* tab.
5. Add notes to the *Notes* tab of the *Documentation* frame as necessary to document progress or necessary deviations from the recommended testing steps.
6. When the testing is complete, select the Control and change the status drop-down to *Tested*.
7. An audit event is generated and sent to the Sentinel Control Center.

Because of potential legal and regulatory implications, the status for a Control should only be changed after all of the testing steps have been successfully completed.

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**NOTE:** A Control must be installed (and should be implemented) before it can be tested.

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## Uninstalling Controls

Controls are often used to meet legal or regulatory requirements. After they are implemented and tested, Controls should be uninstalled only after careful consideration.

When a Control is uninstalled, the status for the Control reverts to Not Implemented and child content is deleted from the Sentinel system. There are a few exceptions and special cases:

- Dependencies are checked to ensure that no content that is still in use is deleted. Some examples of this include a dynamic list that is used by a correlation rule created in the target Sentinel system, a report that is used in a Control that is still installed, an iTRAC workflow template that is used in a Solution Pack that is still installed, or a folder that still contains other content.
- Reports (.rpt files) copied to a local system cannot be removed if the uninstall is performed from a Sentinel Control Center on a different machine.
- JavaScript files associated with Execute Script Correlation Actions remain on the correlation engine(s).
- Maps (.csv files) and the data they contain are not deleted.
- Roles associated with workflows are not deleted.
- iTRAC workflow processes that are already in progress complete even if the iTRAC workflow is uninstalled.

**To uninstall a Control:**

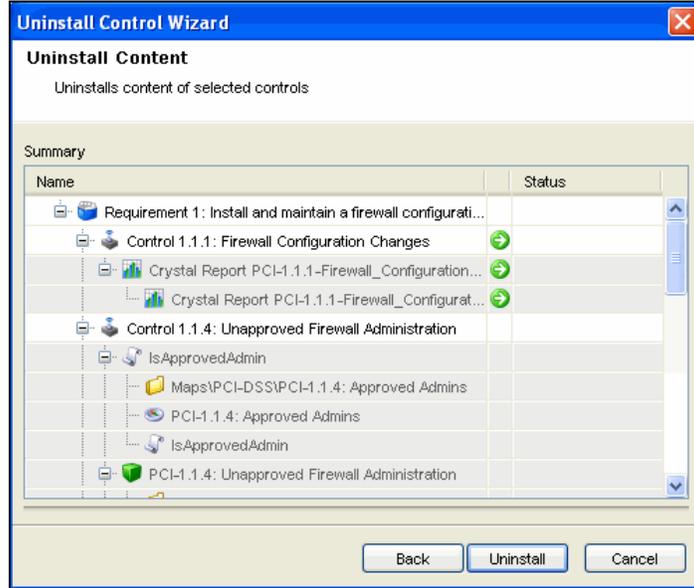
1. Right click the Control you want to uninstall and select *Uninstall*. Alternatively, you can click *Uninstall* icon. *The Controls To Uninstall* window displays



**Figure 14-21:** Uninstall Control Wizard-Controls To Uninstall

Click *Next*.

2. If the Control you are uninstalling includes one or more reports, you are prompted whether to uninstall the reports from the local server or the Crystal Server. Ideally, this information was recorded on the *Notes* tab when the reports were installed. Click *Next*. The *Uninstall Content* window displays.



**Figure 14-22:** Uninstall Control Wizard-Uninstall Content

3. Click *Uninstall*. The selected contents are uninstalled.

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**NOTE:** Local reports cannot be uninstalled from a different Sentinel Control Center machine than they were installed or if the files were copied to a new location after installation. If the *Solution Manager* cannot find the *.rpt* files in the expected location, a message is logged in the Sentinel Control Center log file.

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4. Click *Finish*.

## Viewing Solution Pack Status

There are several sources of information about the status of a Solution Pack.

### Viewing Status in Solution Manager

You can view the status of Solution Pack contents in the *Solution Manager*:

- **None/Blank:** No status indicator for a Control indicates that the associated content has not been installed yet.
- **Not Implemented:** When none or some of the contents of a control are installed, the control is in the Not Implemented state. If the same content is installed by another Control, a Control might be *Not Implemented* even if some of its child content is Installed.
- **Implemented:** This status indicates that a user has completed all of the implementation steps and manually set the Control status to Implemented.
- **Tested:** This status indicates that a user has completed all of the testing steps and manually set the Control status to Tested.
- **Out of Sync:** This status indicates that a different version of the content in the Solution Pack is deployed in the Sentinel target system by another Solution Pack (or a previous version of the same Solution Pack).

## Generating Status Documentation

The information about the Solution Pack can be exported in PDF format. The report contains details about every node in the Solution Pack, including Category, Control, and Content Group. You can select the following available options:

- **Show status:** Select this option to show deployment status for each control (Not Installed, Not Implemented, Implemented, or Tested) and whether it's Out of Sync.
- **Show individual content:** Check this option to include information about the child content for each Control in the documentation.

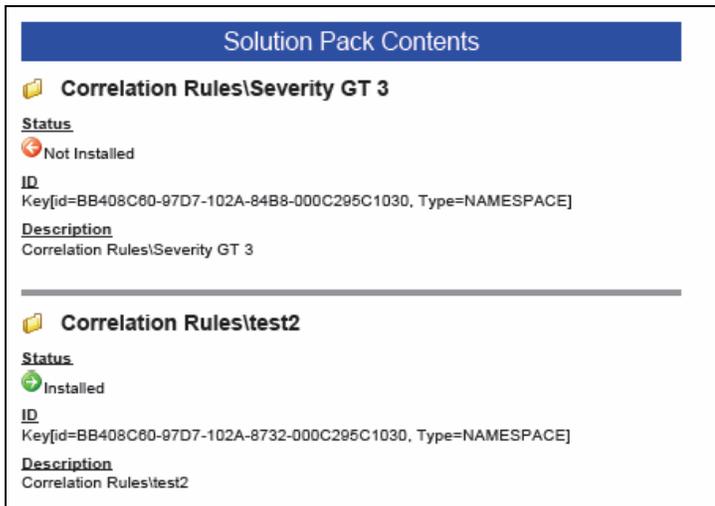


Figure 14-23: Status Document

To generate Solution Pack documentation:

1. Open a Solution Pack for which you want to generate a status report.
2. Click *Create PDF...* The *Report Options* window displays.
3. Check the *Show status* and *Show individual content* if desired.
4. To view the documentation, click *Preview*. If this is the first time a PDF has been opened from your Sentinel Control Center, you might need to locate Acrobat Reader.

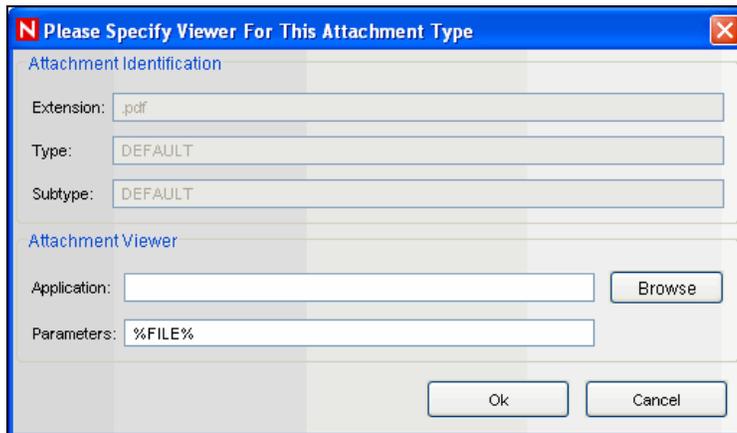


Figure 14-24: Attachment Identification window

5. To save the PDF, click *Browse*. Navigate the location where you want to save the PDF and specify a filename. Click *Save*

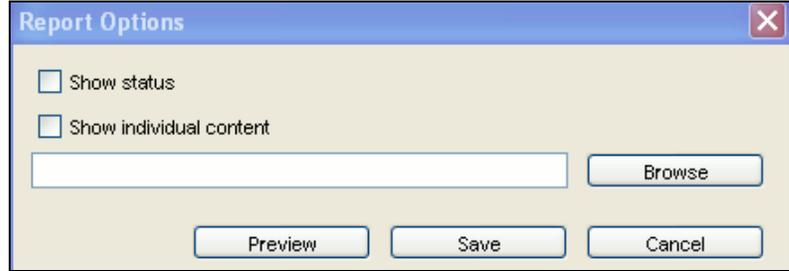


Figure 14-25: Report Options

## Audit Events in the Sentinel Control Center

All major actions related to Solution Packs and Controls are audited by the Sentinel system, with information about which user performed the action. The following events are visible in the Sentinel Control Center and are stored in the Sentinel database:

- Solution Pack is imported.
- Control is installed.
- Control status is changed to Implemented.
- Control status is changed to Tested.
- Control status is changed to Not Implemented.
- Control is uninstalled.
- Notes are modified for a Control
- Solution Pack is deleted.

## Deleting Solution Packs

Solution Packs are often used to meet legal or regulatory requirements. After they are implemented and tested, Solution Packs should be deleted only after careful consideration.

All deletions are audited by the Sentinel system and sent to both the Sentinel Control Center and the Sentinel database.

To delete a Solution Pack:

1. Click *Admin* on the menu bar and select *Solution Packs*. Alternatively, select *Solution Packs* from *Navigator* or click *Solution Pack* on the tool bar. The *Solution Packs* window displays.
2. Select the Solution Pack you want to delete and click the *Open* icon on the tool bar.
3. Select the Solution Pack node and click *Uninstall*. All Controls are uninstalled.
4. Close the *Solution Manager*
5. With the same Solution Pack selected, click *Remove plugin*. You are prompted for deleting the Solution Pack. Click *Yes* to delete.

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**NOTE:** If you attempt to delete a Solution Pack without uninstalling the content first, you are notified that content is still deployed. You have the option to open the Solution Pack in *Solution Manager* and uninstall the content.

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# Solution Designer

You can use the *Solution Designer* to package and export different contents for example, Correlation Rule with associated Actions and Dynamic lists and Crystal Reports. These contents can be selected and packaged with their respective configuration to a zip file. You can then view or select the content of the zip file using *Solution Manager*. For more information on *Solution Manager*, see [“Solution Manager.”](#)

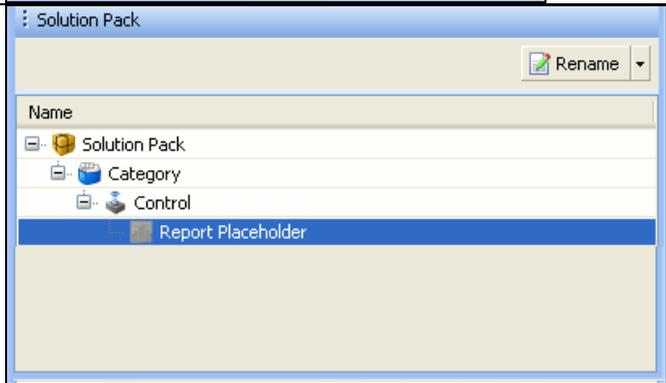
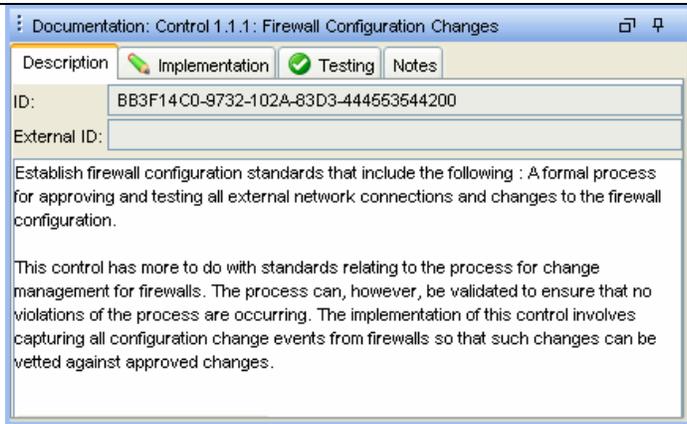
To use the *Solution Designer*, a user must be assigned *Solution Designer* permissions under Solution Pack.

## Solution Designer Interface

The *Solution Designer* is divided into several frames: *Content Palette*, *Content Description*, *Solution Pack*, and *Documentation*. The Content Palette includes several sections that can be expanded, including *Correlation Deployment*, *Event Enrichment*, *Workflow Templates* and *Reports*. The displayed contents are populated from the Sentinel Server and can be exported into a Solution Pack.

- Content Palette



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Content Description</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solution Pack</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Documentation</li> </ul>	

**Table 14-4:** *Solution Designer - User Interface*

## Connection Modes

Solution Packs can be created or edited in *Solution Designer* in connected or offline modes.

In offline mode, there is no connection to an active Sentinel Server or its content (such as iTRAC workflows, event enrichment, or correlation rules). However, you can perform the following actions:

- Define the structure of the Solution Pack (including Categories, Controls, and content placeholders).
- Write implementation documentation.

- Write testing documentation.
- Add reports (.rpt files) available in your local system or published on a connected Crystal server.
- Add attachments to any node of the Solution Pack.

In connected mode, all content in the Sentinel system is available. In addition to all of the actions that are available in offline mode, you can also perform the following actions:

- Add Sentinel content (such as Correlation Rules, Maps, iTRAC workflows).
- Replace placeholders with Sentinel content.

To open Sentinel Designer in offline mode:

1. In Windows, use the Sentinel *Solution Designer* shortcut on the desktop, or start *Solution Designer* by executing one of the following commands:

```
solution_designer.bat (in %ESEC_HOME%\bin on
Windows)
```

```
solution_designer.sh (in $ESEC_HOME/bin on
Solaris/Linux)
```

The *Sentinel Solution Designer* login window displays.

2. Provide your login credentials. Check *Work Offline* checkbox if desired, then click *Login*. The *Solution Designer* displays.

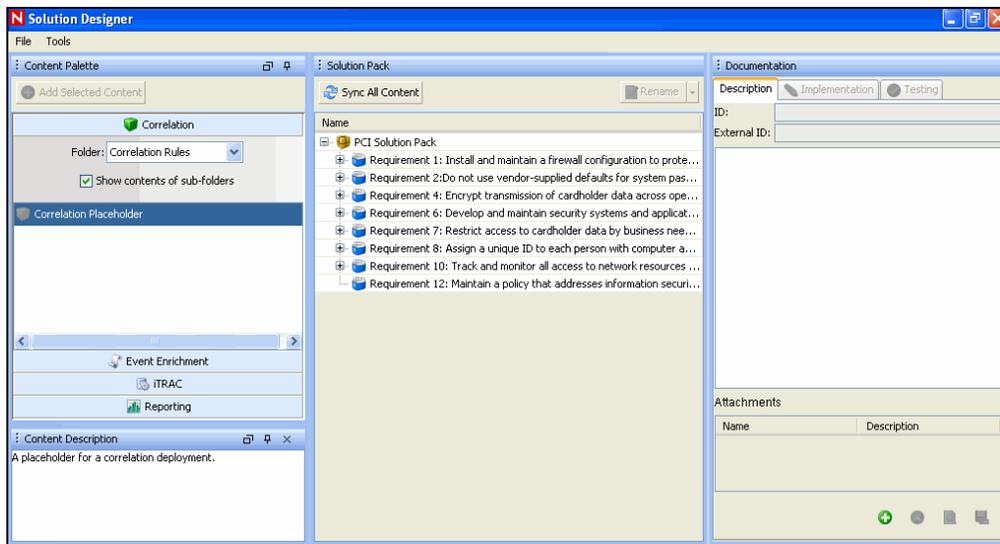


Figure 14-26: Solution Designer window

3. Open or create a Solution Pack.

## Creating a Solution Pack

Using Solution Designer, you can create a Solution Pack using existing content objects (for example, Correlation Rules, Dynamic Lists, or iTRAC workflow templates) from Sentinel. The *Solution Designer* will analyze the dependencies for a content object and include all necessary components in the Solution Pack. For example, a correlation rule deployment includes a correlation rule definition and can also include one or more actions and the ability to create an incident using a workflow. The *Solution Designer* will include the correlation rule, the associated correlation actions, the iTRAC template, and the roles associated with the iTRAC template in the Solution Pack.

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**NOTE:** To add a content object to a Solution Pack, it must already exist in Sentinel. Content objects cannot be created using Solution Designer.

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To create a new Solution Pack:

1. Open the *Solution Designer* in either connected or offline mode.
2. Click *File > New*. An empty Solution Pack displays in the *Solution Pack* frame.
3. Add Categories, Controls, Content Groups, and content placeholders using the proper procedures for each.
4. Add file attachments to the hierarchy nodes as desired.
5. Select *File > Save*. The *Save* window displays. Provide a name and click *Save*. The Solution Pack is saved in a .zip format.

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**NOTE:** Although you can save a Solution Pack with empty placeholders, you cannot install Controls in *Solution Manager* unless all placeholders have been filled with content.

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## Managing Content Hierarchy Nodes

All content in a Solution Pack is hierarchically organized into Categories, Controls, and Content Groups in those groups. These nodes in the hierarchy can be added, deleted, renamed, or reordered.

Function	Description
Create	Add a node to the existing control. Select an existing node. Right-click and select <i>Create</i> , or click <i>Create</i> in the <i>Solution Pack</i> frame. Specify the details and click <i>Create</i> .
Rename	Rename an existing node. Select an existing node. Right-click and select <i>Rename</i> , or click <i>Rename</i> in the <i>Solution Pack</i> frame. Provide the new name and click <i>OK</i> .
Delete	Delete a Category, Control or Content Group object. Select an existing node. Right-click and select <i>Delete</i> , or click <i>Delete</i> option in the <i>Solution Pack</i> frame. The <i>Delete Selected Objects?</i> message displays. Click <i>OK</i> .
View or Edit Properties	View or edit the properties of a Solution Pack, such as the creator. Select <i>File &gt; Properties</i> from the menu bar or right-click the Solution Pack node and select <i>Properties</i> .
Expand or Collapse Nodes	Expand or collapse all child nodes. Select the Solution Pack or any Category, Control or Content Group level. Right-click a node and select <i>Expand All</i> or <i>Collapse All</i> .
Move Nodes	Category, Control, and Content Group nodes can be created in any order and then reordered or moved to a different parent in the hierarchy. To move a node to another branch in the hierarchy. Drag and drop a node to its new parent node. A Control can be moved to a new Category. A Content Group can be moved to a new Control. To reorder a node, drag and drop it on top of the node it should appear after in the Solution Pack.

**Table 14-5:** Adding, Deleting, Renaming and Reordering Content hierarchy

## Adding Content to a Solution Pack

A vital part of creating a Solution Pack is adding content to the controls. Each control can have one or more types of content associated with it.

### Sentinel Content

The same general procedure is used to add all types of Sentinel content to a Solution Pack. The Sentinel content options include the following:

- Correlation Rule Deployments, including their deployment status (enabled or disabled) and associated Correlation Rules, Correlation Actions, and Dynamic Lists
- Reports
- iTRAC Workflows, including associated Roles
- Event enrichment, including map definitions and event metatag configuration
- Other associated files added when the Solution Pack is created, such as documentation, example report PDFs, or sample map files.

The general steps for Sentinel content are described below. The steps for reports, which are Crystal content, are slightly different. For more information, see “*Crystal Reports.*”

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**NOTE:** Because dynamic list elements and map data are often highly dependent on the system environment, this data is not included as part of the dynamic list or map definition in the Solution Pack. However, this data can be attached to the Solution Pack as a `.csv` file.

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To add Sentinel content to a control:

1. Log into *Solution Designer* in connected mode.
2. Open or create a Solution Pack.
3. Click the appropriate panel to display the available Reports from the Content Palette-Solution Pack, Category, Control, Control Group and Contents.
4. Select the specific Content Group you want to add.
5. Select the appropriate Control or placeholder and click *Add Selected Content*. Alternatively, drag and drop the selected Content Group to the appropriate Control or placeholder in the *Solution Pack* frame.

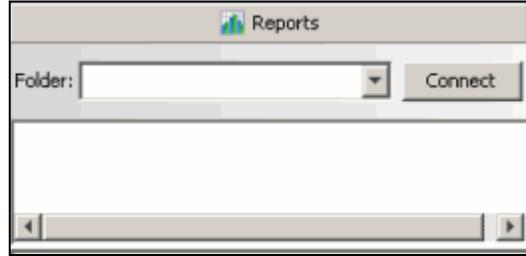
### Crystal Reports

You can add a Crystal Report (`.rpt` file) from the SentinelReports folder on a Crystal Report Server or from a local file system. Adding a Crystal report is similar to adding other types of content, but it requires an extra step to log into the Crystal server.

Crystal reports must be deleted in the same way they were added. It is strongly recommended that the Description be edited to indicate whether the report was added to the local file system or to the Crystal Server.

To add a report from a Crystal Server:

1. Log into *Solution Designer* in connected mode or offline mode and open or create a Solution Pack.
2. Click *Report* panel in the *Content Palette*. The *Report Panel* will expand.



**Figure 14-27:** Reports Panel

3. Click *Connect*. The *Login to Crystal Server* window displays. Specify the Server Name, User Name and Password in their respective fields.

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**NOTE:** In a default Crystal installation, the User Name is “Administrator” and the password is blank.

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Click *Login*

4. All the report folders will be available as a dropdown. Select the folder to view all corresponding reports.



**Figure 14-28:** Sentinel Reports

5. Select a report, drag and drop the report in the *Solution Pack* frame. The report can now be exported using the *Save* option in the *File* menu.

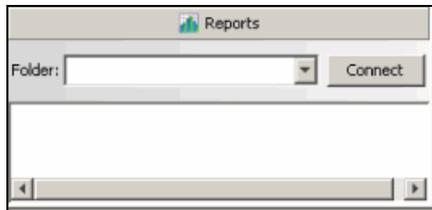
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**NOTE:** Only reports from the SentinelReports folder and its subfolders are available. The folder hierarchy is preserved when the reports are added to a target Sentinel system. (Reports must be in the SentinelReports folder to be viewed on the *Analysis* tab of the Sentinel Control Center.

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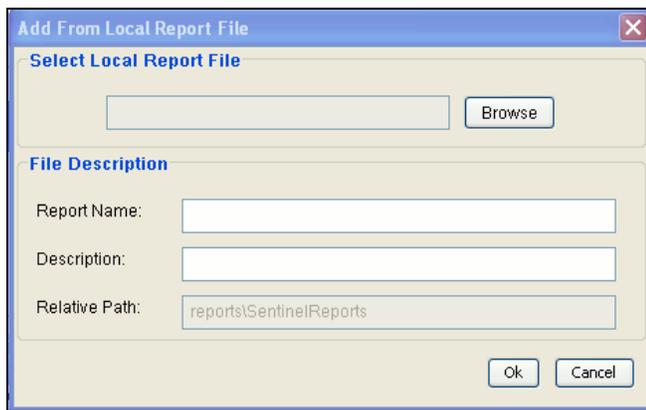
To add a report from the local file system:

1. Log into *Solution Designer* (in connected or offline mode) on the machine where the *.rpt* files reside.
2. Open or create a Solution Pack.
3. Click *Report* panel in the *Content Palette*. The Report Panel will expand.



**Figure 14-29:** Reports Panel

4. Select a control in the Content tree. Select a *Local Report File...* in *Content Palette* and click *Add Selected Content* button on the top left corner.
5. The *Add From Local Report File* window displays. Browse to the location on your local drive where the report is located.



**Figure 14-30:** Add From Local Report File window

6. Select the file and click *Open*. The file description is displayed.
7. Click *OK*.

## Placeholders

If the user is working in offline mode or is not ready to associate content with a control, an empty placeholder can be used instead.

To add a placeholder:

1. Click a button in the *Content Palette* to open the panel for the type of placeholder you want to add: Correlation, Event Enrichment, iTRAC workflow or Report.
2. Drag and drop the placeholder to the appropriate Control in the *Solution Pack* frame.
3. Rename if desired.

To replace a placeholder with content:

1. Click a button in the Content Palette to open the panel for the type of placeholder you want to replace: Correlation, Event Enrichment, iTRAC workflow or Report.
2. Drag and drop the appropriate Content Group from the *Content Palette* to the placeholder in the *Solution Pack* frame.

## File Attachments

You can attach a file or files to any node in the hierarchy, and they will be included in the Solution Pack. These files can include anything useful for a user who must deploy the Solution Kit, such as a PDF view of a report, sample map data for event enrichment, or a

script for an Execute Command Correlation Action. These files can be added, deleted, viewed, renamed, or saved to the local machine.

	Add File	<p>Add an attachment to a node. The system prompts for another file if you attempt to add one that is already attached.</p> <p>Select a node. Click <i>Add a new attachment</i> icon in the <i>Attachments</i> panel. Locate the file, provide a description, and save.</p>
	View	<p>View an attachment.</p> <p>Select a node and then select the attachment in the <i>Attachment</i> panel. Right-click and select <i>View File</i>. The file displays in the associated application.</p>
N/A	Rename	<p>Rename an attachment.</p> <p>Select a node and then select the attachment in the <i>Attachment</i> panel. Right-click and select <i>Rename</i>. Specify the new name and click <i>OK</i>.</p>
	Delete	<p>Delete an attachment.</p> <p>Select a node and then select the attachment in the <i>Attachment</i> panel. Right-click and select <i>Delete</i>. Click <i>OK</i> to delete.</p>
	Save	<p>Save a copy of the attachment to the local system.</p> <p>Select a node and then select the attachment in the <i>Attachment</i> panel. Right-click and select <i>Save As</i>. Select a file location and click <i>Save</i>.</p>

**Table 14-6:** File Attachment

## Documenting a Solution Pack

### Implementation Steps

Add the steps required to implement the content in the target Sentinel system to the *Implementation* tab of the *Documentation* frame. The steps might include instructions for the following types of implementation actions:

- Populating a `.csv` file that is used by the mapping service for event enrichment.
- Scheduling automatic report execution in the Crystal Server.
- Enabling auditing on source devices.
- Copying an attached script for an Execute Command Correlation Action to the appropriate location on the correlation engine(s).

After the content implementation, the content should be tested to verify that it is working as expected. Testing might require steps such as the following:

### Testing Steps

Add the steps required to test the content in the target Sentinel system to the *Testing* tab of the *Documentation* frame. The steps can include instructions for the following types of testing activities:

- Run a report and verify that data is returned.
- Generate a failed login in a critical server and verify that a correlated event is created and assigned to an iTRAC workflow.

## Editing a Solution Pack

A saved Solution Pack can be edited using Solution Designer. For information about deploying the changes into an existing system, see [“Deploying an Edited Solution Pack.”](#)

When an existing Solution Pack is saved, the user has several options:

- **Save:** Saves an updated version of the original Solution Pack. If the Solution Pack is re-imported into a Sentinel system, it replaces the old version.
- **Save As:** Saves a renamed version of the original Solution Pack. If the Solution Pack is re-imported into a Sentinel system, it replaces the old version.
- **Save As New:** Saves a Solution Pack with a new unique identifier. If the Solution Pack is imported into a Sentinel system, it does not impact any previously imported Solution Packs.

To edit a Solution Pack:

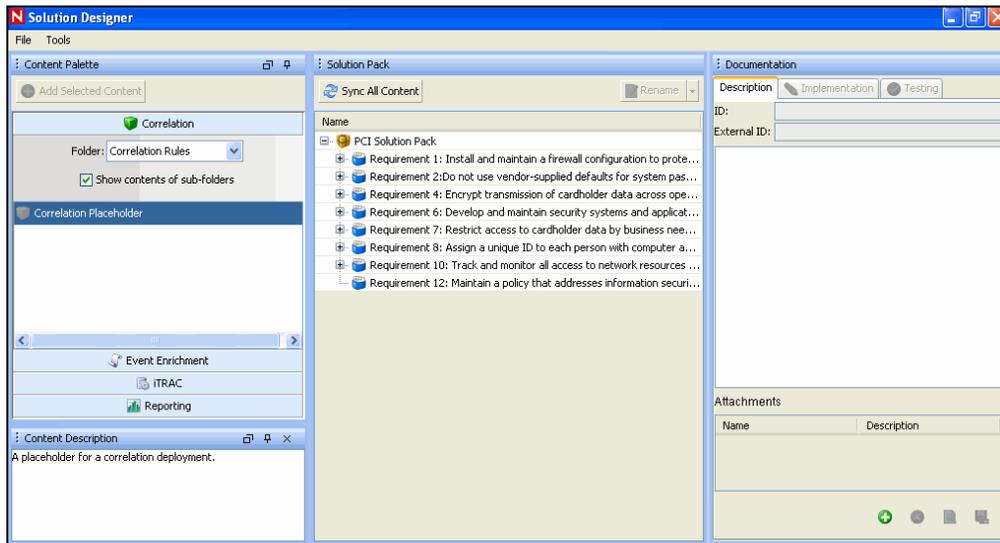
1. In Windows, use the Sentinel *Solution Designer* shortcut on the desktop, or start *Solution Designer* by executing one of the following commands:

```
solution_designer.bat (in %ESEC_HOME%\bin on
Windows)
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```
solution_designer.sh (in $ESEC_HOME/bin on
Solaris/Linux)
```

The *Sentinel Solution Designer* login window displays.

2. Provide your login credentials. Check Work Offline checkbox if desired, then click *Login*. The *Solution Designer* displays.



**Figure 14-31:** *Solution Designer* window

3. To edit a Solution Pack, click *File > Open*. Browse and select the existing Solution Pack zip file. Click *Open*.

4. To update the Solution Pack with modified content from the source Sentinel system, drag and drop the content from the Content Palette to the appropriate Control.
5. Add or delete Controls as necessary.
6. Click *File > Save, Save As, or Save As New*.
7. If you selected *Save* or *Save As* and some of the content is out of sync, you will be prompted to synchronize.

### **Out of Sync Content**

If the content in the source system is modified, the content in the source system and the content in the original Solution Pack can be out of sync.

- You can drag and drop the content from the Content Palette onto the control.
- For simple content with no dependencies, the modified content is immediately updated. For example, a report has no dependencies.
- For content with dependencies, the dependencies are checked and updates are made when you click *Sync All Content* or when you save the Solution Pack.

## **Deploying an Edited Solution Pack**

When a Solution Pack is modified and saved using the *Save* or *Save As* options in Solution Designer, it is considered a new version of the original Solution Pack. When it is imported, it replaces any older versions of the original Solution Pack. There is no immediate impact on any installed content in the target Sentinel system.

After the Solution Pack is installed, its behavior varies depending on the status of the original Solution Pack's content.

- If the content from the original Solution Pack was not installed yet, the content is simply replaced. When a user installs content, the new content is installed to the target Sentinel system.
- If the content from the original Solution Pack was installed (Not Implemented), Implemented, or Tested, the original content is compared to the new content.
  - If the content version is the same, the original content is still valid and no action is necessary.
  - If the content version is different, the content status is set to Out of Sync. The user must decide how to resolve the synchronization issue. For more information, see **“Out of Sync.”**
- If the content didn't exist in the original Solution Pack, it is displayed in *Solution Manager* as not installed. You can install, implement, and test the new content.
- If the content existed in the original Solution Pack but has been deleted from the modified Solution Pack, it does not appear in the *Solution Manager*.

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**NOTE:** The *Solution Manager* only handles differences in the contents of Solution Packs. It does not recognize manual content changes that are performed after content is installed.

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# A Sentinel Architecture

Sentinel is a security information and event management (SIEM) solution that automates the collection, analysis and reporting of system network, application and security logs to help organizations manage IT risk.

This section provides you the functional and technical architecture of Sentinel.

## Sentinel Features

Sentinel allows you to monitor and manage a variety of functions. Some of the main functions include:

- Real time views of large streams of events
- Reporting capabilities based on real time and historical events
- Managing users and what they are able to see and do by permission assignment
- Managing access to events to different users
- Organizing events into incidents for efficient response management and tracking
- Detecting patterns in events and streams of events
- An intuitive and flexible rule-based language for correlation
- Rules compiled for high performance
- Scalable, multi-threaded, distributable and extensible architecture

Sentinel processes communicate with each other through a Message-Oriented Middleware (MOM).

## Functional Architecture

Sentinel is composed of three component subsystems, which form the core of the functional architecture:

- **“iSCALE Platform”**: An event-driven scalable framework
- **“Event Source Management”**: An extensible framework built to manage and monitor connections between Sentinel and third-party event sources using Sentinel Connectors and Sentinel Collectors.
- **“Application Integration”**: An extensible application framework

Sentinel treats both “services” and “applications” as abstract service end-points that can readily respond to asynchronous events. Services are “objects” that do not need to understand protocols or how messages get routed to the peer services.

## Architecture Overview

The Sentinel system is responsible for receiving events from the Collector Manager. The events are then displayed in real-time and logged into a database for historical analysis.

At a high level, the Sentinel system uses a relational database and is comprised of Sentinel processes and a reporting engine. The system accepts events from the Collector manager as its input. The Collector manager interfaces with third-party products and normalizes the

data from these products. The normalized data is then sent to the Sentinel processes and database.

Historical analysis and reporting can be done using Sentinel's integrated reporting engine. The reporting engine extracts data from the database and integrates the report displays into the Sentinel Control Center using HTML documents over an HTTP connection.

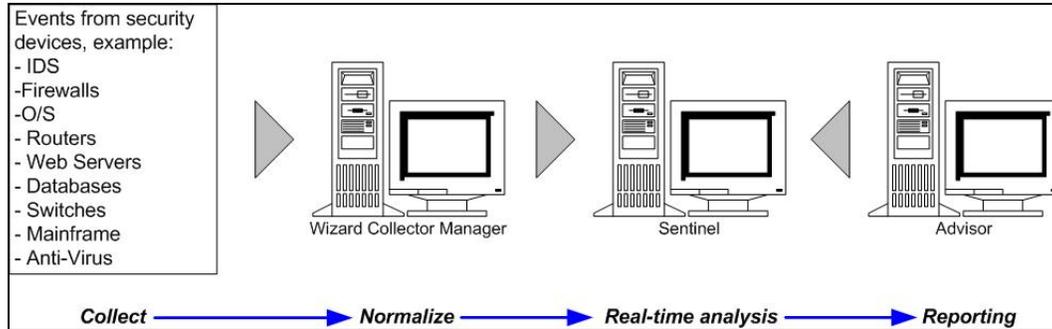


Figure A-1: Sentinel Architecture

## iSCALE Platform

Sentinel's iSCALE™ architecture is built using a standards-based, Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) that combines the advantages of in-memory processing and distributed computing. iSCALE is a specialized message bus capable of handling high data volumes.

### Message Bus

The iSCALE Message Bus allows for independent scaling of individual components while also allowing for standards-based integration with external applications. The key to scalability is that unlike other distributed software, no two peer components communicate with each other directly. All components communicate through the message bus, which is capable of moving thousands of message packets per second.

Leveraging the message bus' unique features, the high-throughput communication channel can maximize and sustain a high data throughput rate across the independent components of the system. Events are compressed and encrypted on the wire for secure and efficient delivery from the edge of the network or collection points to the hub of the system, where real-time analytics are performed.

The iSCALE message bus employs a variety of queuing services that improve the reliability of the communication beyond the security and performance aspects of the platform. Using a variety of transient and durable queues, the system offers unparalleled reliability and fault tolerance. For instance, important messages in transit are saved (by being queued) in case of a failure in the communication path. The queued message is delivered to the destination after the system recovers from failure state.

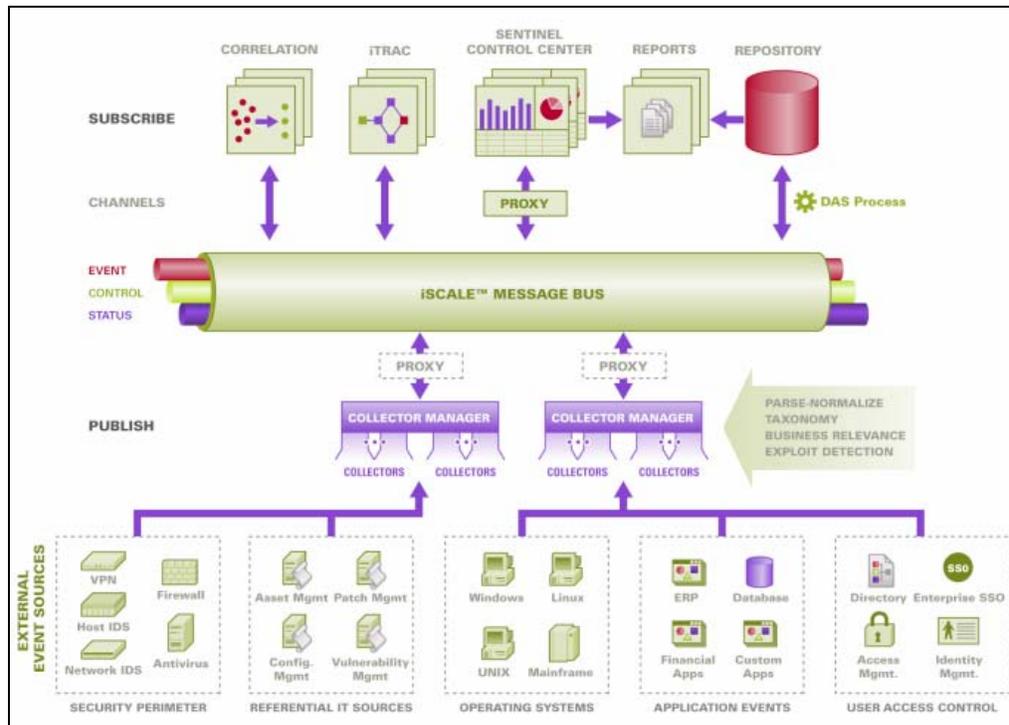


Figure A-2: iSCALE Message Bus

## Channels

The iSCALE platform employs a data-driven or event-driven model that allows independent scaling of components for the entire system based on the workload. This provides a flexible deployment model because each customer's environment varies: one site can have a large number of devices with low event volumes; another site can have fewer devices with very high event volumes. The event densities (that is, the event aggregation and event multiplexing pattern on the wire from the collection points) are different in these cases and the message bus allows for consistent scaling of disparate workloads.

iSCALE takes advantage of an independent, multi-channel environment, which virtually eliminates contention and promotes parallel processing of events. These channels and sub-channels work not only for event data transport but also offer fine-grain process control for scaling and load balancing the system under varying load conditions. Using independent service channels such as control channels and status channels, in addition to the main event channel, allows sophisticated and cost-effective scaling of event-driven architecture.

## Sentinel Event

Sentinel receives information from devices, normalizes this information into a structure called a *Sentinel Event*, or *Event* for short and sends the event for processing. Events are processed by the real time display, correlation engine and the backend server.

An event comprises of more than 200 tags. Tags are of different types and of different purposes. There are some predefined tags such as severity, criticality, destination IP and destination port. There are two sets of configurable tags: Reserved Tags are for Novell internal use to allow future expansion and Customer Tags are for customer extensions.

Tags can be repurposed by renaming them. The source for a tag can either be *external*, which means that it is set explicitly by the device or the corresponding Collector or *referential*. The value of a referential tag is computed as a function of one or more other tags using the mapping service. For example, a tag can be defined to be the building code for the building containing the asset mentioned as the destination IP of an event. For example, a tag can be computed by the mapping service using a customer defined map using the destination IP from the event.

## Mapping Service

Map Service allows a sophisticated mechanism to propagate business relevance data throughout the system. This facility aids scalability and provides an extensibility advantage by enabling intelligent data transfer between different nodes of the distributed system.

Map Service is a data propagation facility that gives the ability to cross-reference Vulnerability Scanner data with Intrusion Detection System signatures and more (for example, asset data, business-relevant data). This allows immediate notification when an attack is attempting to exploit a vulnerable system. Three separate components provide this functionality:

- Collection of real time events from an intrusion detection source;
- Comparing those signatures to the latest vulnerability scans; and
- Cross referencing an attack feed through Sentinel Advisor (an optional product module, which cross-references between real-time IDS attack signatures and the user's vulnerability scanner data).

Map Service dynamically propagates information throughout the system without impacting system load on the system. When important data sets (that is, "maps" such as asset information or patch update information) are updated in the system, the Map Service propagates the updates across the system, which can often get to be hundreds of megabytes in size.

iSCALE's Map Service algorithms handle large referential data sets across a production system processing large real-time data volumes. These algorithms are "update-aware" and selectively push only the changes or "delta data sets" from the repository to the edge or system perimeter.

## Streaming Maps

Map Service employs a dynamic update model and streams the maps from one point to another, avoiding the build up of large static maps in dynamic memory. The value of this streaming capability is particularly relevant in a mission-critical real-time system such as Sentinel where there needs to be a steady, predictive and agile movement of data independent of any transient load on the system.

## Exploit Detection (Mapping Service)

Sentinel provides the ability to cross-reference event data signatures with Vulnerability Scanner data. Users are notified automatically and immediately when an attack is attempting to exploit a vulnerable system. This is accomplished through:

- Advisor Feed
- Intrusion detection
- Vulnerability scanning
- Firewalls

Advisor provides a cross-reference between event data signatures and vulnerability scanner data. Advisor feed has an alert and attack feed. The alert feed contains

information about vulnerabilities and threats. The attack feed is a normalization of event signatures and vulnerability plug-ins. For more information on Advisor installation, see [Advisor Configuration](#) in *Sentinel Installation Guide*.

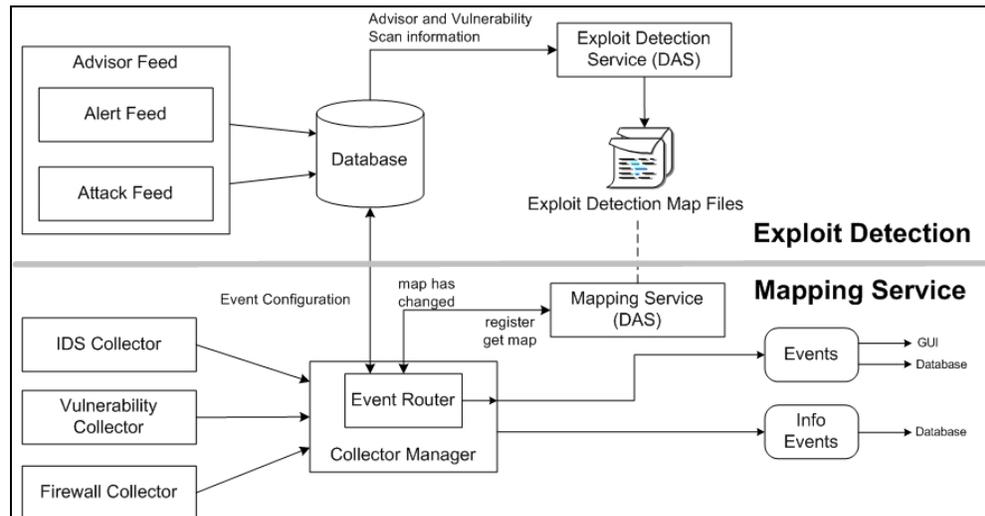
The supported systems are:

Intrusion Detections Systems	Vulnerability Scanners
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cisco Secure IDS</li> <li>▪ Enterasys Dragon Host Sensor</li> <li>▪ Enterasys Dragon Network Sensor</li> <li>▪ Intrusion.com (SecureNet_Provider)</li> <li>▪ ISS BlackICE</li> <li>▪ ISS RealSecure Desktop</li> <li>▪ ISS RealSecure Network</li> <li>▪ ISS RealSecure Server</li> <li>▪ ISS RealSecure Guard</li> <li>▪ Snort</li> <li>▪ Symantec Network Security 4.0 (ManHunt)</li> <li>▪ Symantec Intruder Alert</li> <li>▪ McAfee IntruShield</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ eEYE Retina</li> <li>▪ Foundstone Foundscan</li> <li>▪ ISS Database Scanner</li> <li>▪ ISS Internet Scanner</li> <li>▪ ISS System Scanner</li> <li>▪ ISS Wireless Scanner</li> <li>▪ Nessus</li> <li>▪ nCircle IP360</li> <li>▪ Qualys QualysGuard</li> </ul> <p><b>Intrusion Protection System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ISS Proventia</li> </ul> <p><b>Firewalls</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cisco IOS Firewall</li> </ul>

**Table A-1:** Sentinel Supported Systems

You will require at least one vulnerability scanner and either an IDS, IPS or firewall from each category above. The IDS and Firewall DeviceName (rv31) has to appear in the event as hi-lighted above. Also, the IDS and Firewall must properly populate the *DeviceAttackName* (rt1) field (for example, WEB-PHP Mambo uploadimage.php access).

The Advisor feed is sent to the database and then to the Exploit Detection Service. The Exploit Detection Service generates one or two files depending upon what kind of data has been updated.



**Figure A-3:** Exploit Detection

The Exploit Detection Map Files are used by the Mapping Service to map attacks to exploits of vulnerabilities.

Vulnerability Scanners scan for system (asset) vulnerable areas. IDS' detect attacks (if any) against these vulnerable areas. Firewalls detect if any traffic is against any of these

vulnerable area. If an attack is associated with any vulnerability, the asset has been exploited.

The Exploit Detection Service generates two files located in:

`$ESEC_HOME/bin/map_data`

The two files are `attackNormalization.csv` and `exploitDetection.csv`.

The `attackNormalization.csv` is generated after:

- Advisor feed
- DAS Startup (if enabled in `das_query.xml`, disabled by default)

The `exploitDetection.csv` is generated after one of the following:

- Advisor feed
- Vulnerability scan
- Sentinel Server Startup (if enabled in `das_query.xml`, disabled by default)

By default, there are two configured event columns used for exploit detection and they are referenced from a map (all mapped tags will have the *Scroll* icon).

- Vulnerability
- AttackId

Severity	Vulnerability 	AttackId 
	0	
	0	

**Figure A-4:** Event Columns

When the *Vulnerability* field (*vul*) equals 1, the asset or destination device is exploited. If the *Vulnerability* field equals 0, the asset or destination device is not exploited.

Sentinel comes pre-configured with the following map names associated with `attackNormalization.csv` and `exploitDetection.csv`.

Map Name	csv File Name
▪ AttackSignatureNormalization	▪ <code>attackNormalization.csv</code>
▪ IsExploitWatchlist	▪ <code>exploitDetection.csv</code>

**Table A-2:** Map Name and csv File Name

There are two types of data sources:

- **External:** Retrieves information from the Collector
- **Referenced from Map:** Retrieves information from a map file to populate the tag.

The `AttackId` tag has the `Device` (type of the security device, for example, Snort) and `AttackSignature` columns set as `Keys` and uses the `NormalizedAttackID` column in the `attackNormalization.csv` file. In a row where the `DeviceName` event tag (an IDS device such as Snort, information filled in by Advisor and Vulnerability information from the Sentinel Database) is the same as `Device` and where the `DeviceAttackName` event tag (attack information filled in by Advisor information in the Sentinel Database through the Exploit Detection Service) is the same as `AttackSignature`, the value for `AttackId` is where that row intersects with the `NormalizedAttackID` column.



Figure A-5: AttackId and Data Source information

Device	AttackSignature	NormalizedAttackId	AttackId entry
Secure	BackDoorProbe (TCP 1234)	3	Trojan: Backdoor.SubSeven
Secure	BackDoorProbe (TCP 1999)	3	Trojan: Backdoor.SubSeven
Dragon	RWALLD:SYNLOG-FORMAT	4	Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated F
Snort	RPC TCP rwalld request	4	Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated F
Snort	RPC UDP rwalld request	4	Sun Microsystems Solaris rwall Elevated F
Snort	WEB-IIS foxweb.dll access	12	Microsoft Exchange Server Arbitrary Code
RealSecure	SMTP_Exchange_Verb_DoS	12	Microsoft Exchange Server Arbitrary Code

Figure A-6: attackNormalization.csv sample

The Vulnerability tag has a column entry “\_EXIST\_”, which means that map result value will be 1 if the key is in IsExploitWatchlist (exploitDetection.csv file) or 0 if it is not. The key columns for the vulnerability tag are IP and NormalizedAttackId. When an incoming event with a DestinationIP event tag that matches the IP column entry and an AttackId event tag that matches the NormalizedAttackId column entry in the same row, the result is one (1). If no match is found in a common row, the result is zero (0).

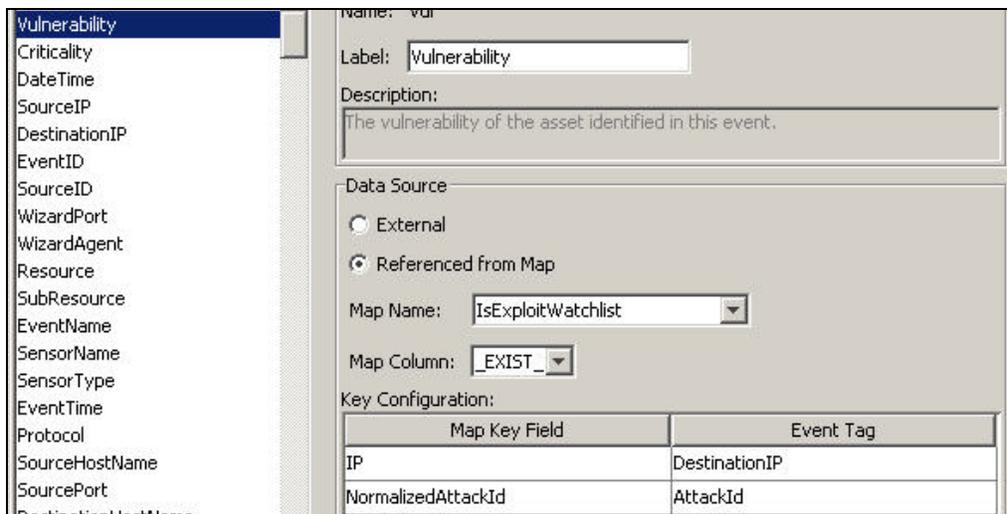


Figure A-7: Vulnerability and Data Source

## Event Source Management

Sentinel 6 delivers a centralized event source management framework to facilitate data source integration. This framework enables all aspects of configuring, deploying, managing and monitoring data Collectors for a broad set of systems, which include databases, operating systems, directories, firewalls, intrusion detection/prevention systems, antivirus applications, mainframes, Web and application servers, and many more.

Using adaptable and flexible technology is central to Sentinel's event source management strategy, which is achieved through interpretive Collectors that parse, normalize, filter and enrich the events in the data stream.

These Collectors can be modified as needed and are not tied to a specific environment. An integrated development environment allows for interactive creation of Collectors using a "drag and drop" paradigm from a graphical user interface. Non-programmers can create Collectors, ensuring both current and future requirements are met in an ever-changing IT environment. The command and control operation of Collectors (for example, start, stop and so on) is performed centrally from the Sentinel Control Center. The event source management framework takes the data from the source system, performs the transformations and presents the events for later analysis, visualization and reporting purposes. The framework delivers the following components and benefits:

- **Collectors:** Parse and normalize events from various systems
- **Connectors:** Connect to the data source to get raw data
- **Taxonomy:** Allows data from disparate sources to be categorized consistently
- **Filtering:** Eliminates irrelevant data at the point of collection, saving bandwidth and disk space.
- **Business relevance:** Offers a way to enrich event data with valuable information
- **Collector builder:** An Integrated Development Environment (IDE) for building custom Collectors to collect from unique or proprietary systems
- **Live view:** User interface for managing live event sources.
- **Scratch pad:** User interface for offline design of event source configuration.

## Application Integration

External application integration through standard APIs is central to Sentinel. For example, when dealing with a third party trouble-ticketing system, Sentinel 6 can open an initial ticket in its own iTRAC workflow remediation system. Sentinel then uses bi-directional API to communicate with the other trouble ticketing systems—for example, Remedy® and HP OpenView's ServiceDesk® -allowing straightforward integration with external systems.

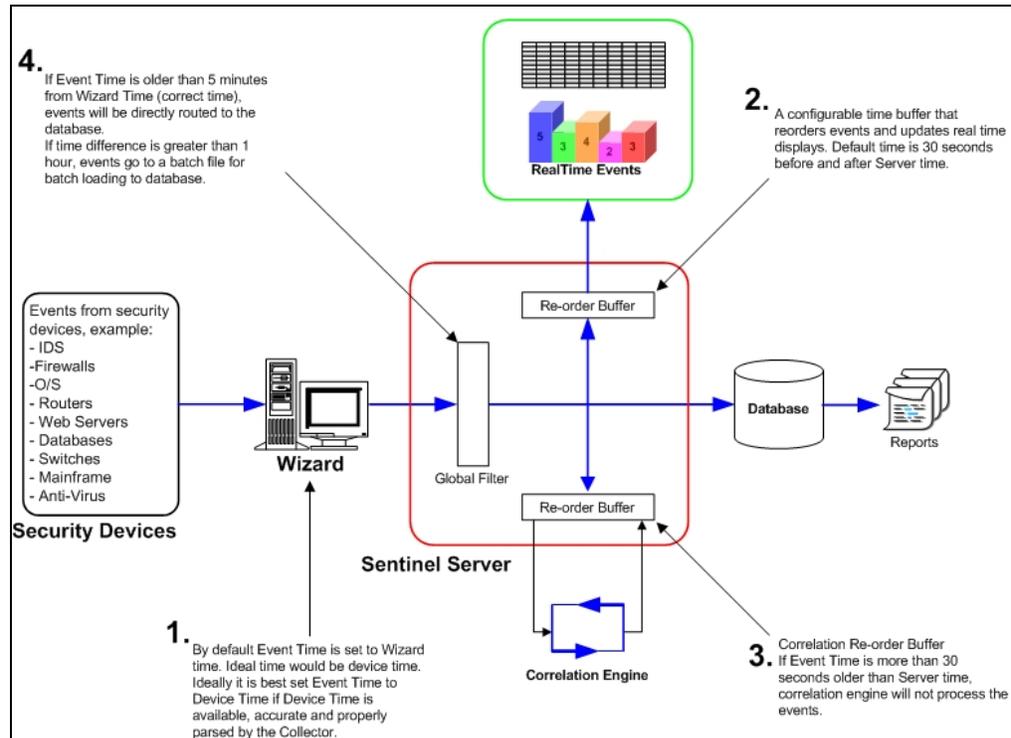
The API is Web Services-based and therefore allows any external systems that are SOAP-aware to take advantage of pervasive integration with the Sentinel system.

## Time

The time of an event is very critical to its processing. It is important for reporting and auditing purposes as well as for real time processing. The correlation engine processes time ordered streams of events and detects patterns within events as well as temporal patterns in the stream. However, the device generating the event might not know the real time when the event is generated. In order to accommodate this Sentinel allows two options in processing alerts from security devices: trust the time the device reports and use that as the time of the event, or, do not trust the device time and instead stamp the event at the time it is first processed by Sentinel (by the Collector).

Sentinel is a distributed system and comprises several processes that can be in different parts of the network. In addition, there can be some delay introduced by the device. In order to accommodate this, the Sentinel processes reorder the events into a time ordered stream before processing.

The following illustration explains the concept of Sentinel Time.



**Figure A-8: Sentinel Time**

1. By default, Event Time is set to Collector Manager time. Ideal time will be device time. Therefore it will be best to set Event Time to Device Time if Device Time is available, accurate and properly parsed by the Collector.
2. A configurable time buffer that reorders events and updates real time displays. Default time is 30 seconds before and after server time.
3. Correlation Re-order buffer, if event time is more than 30 seconds older than Server time, correlation engine will not process the events.
4. If event time is older than 5 minutes from Collector Manager Time (correct time), events will be directly routed to the database.

## System Events

System Events is a means to report on the status and status change of the system. There are three types of events generated by the internal system, they are:

- Internal Events
- Performance Events
- Audit Events

## Internal Events

Internal Events are informational and describe a single state or change of state in the system. They report when a user logs in or fails to authenticate, when a process is started or a correlation rule is activated.

## Performance Events

Performance Events are generated on a periodic basis and describe average resources used by different parts of the system.

## Audit Events

Audit Events are generated internally. Each time an audited method is called or an audited data object is modified, audit framework generates audit events. There are two types of Audit Events. One which monitors user actions for example, user login/out, add/delete user and another which monitors system actions/health, for example, process start/stop.

Some of these events used to be called Internal Events (mainly for system actions/health monitoring). So the functionality of Audit Events is similar to Internal Events. Audit Events can be logged into log files, saved into database, and sent out as Audit Event at the same time. (Internal Events are only sent out as events.).

All System Events populate the following attributes:

- **ST (Sensor Type) field:** For internal events it is set to “I” and for performance events it is set to “P”
- **Event ID:** A unique UUID for the event
- **Event Time:** The time the event was generated
- **Source:** The UUID of the process that generated the event
- **Sensor Name:** The name of the process that generated the event (for example, DAS\_Binary)
- **RV32 (Device Category):** Set to “ESEC”
- **Collector:** “Performance” for performance events and “Internal” for internal events

In addition to the common attributes, every system event also sets the resource, sub resource, the severity, the event name and the message tags. For internal events, the event name specific enough to identify the exact meaning of the event (for example, UserAuthenticationFailed). The message tags add some specific detail; in the above example the message tag will contain the name of the user, the OS name if available and the machine name). For performance events the event name is generic describing the type of statistical data and the data itself is in the message tag.

Performance events are sent directly to the database. To view them, do a quick query.

For more information, see [“Appendix B, System Events for Sentinel”](#).

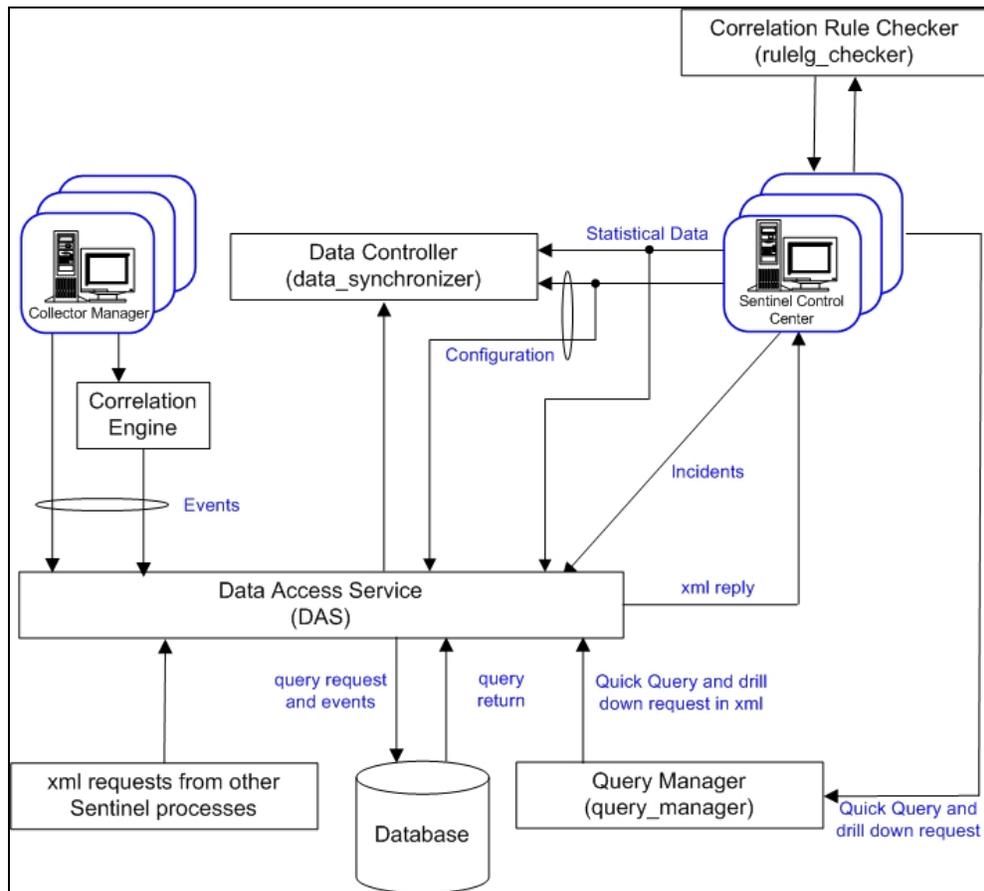
## Processes

The following processes and Windows service communicate with each other through iSCALE - the message-oriented middleware (MOM).

- **Sentinel Service (Watchdog)**
- **Data Access Service (DAS)**
  - **DAS Query:** Performs general Sentinel Service operations including Login and Historical Query.
  - **DAS Binary:** Performs event database insertion.

- **DAS RT:** Provides the server-side functionality for Active Views.
- **DAS Aggregation:** Calculates event data summaries that are used in reports.
- **DAS iTRAC:** Provides the server-side functionality for the Sentinel iTRAC functionality.
- **DAS Proxy:** Provides the server-side of the SSL proxy connection to Sentinel Server.
- **Correlation Engine** (correlation\_engine)
- **Collector Manager**
- **iSCALE**

The following is the architecture for Sentinel Server.



*Figure A-9: Sentinel Server Architecture*

### Sentinel Service (Watchdog)

Watchdog is a Sentinel Process that manages other Sentinel Processes. If a process other than Watchdog stops, Watchdog will report this and will then restart that process.

If this service is stopped, it will stop all Sentinel processes on that machine. It executes and reports health of other Sentinel processes. This process is launched by the “Sentinel” Windows Service or the “sentinel” UNIX service.

## Data Access Service (DAS) Process

The Data Access Service (DAS) process is Sentinel Server's persistence service and provides an interface to the database. It provides data driven access to the database backend.

DAS is a container, composed of five different processes. Each process is responsible for different types of database operations. These processes are controlled by the following configuration files:

- **das\_binary.xml**: Used for event and correlated event insertion operations
- **das\_query.xml**: All other database operations
- **activity\_container.xml**: Used for executing and configuring activity service
- **workflow\_container.xml**: Used for configuring the workflow (iTRAC) service
- **das\_rt.xml**: Used for configuring the Active Views function within the Sentinel Control Console

DAS receives requests from the different Sentinel processes, converts them to a query against the database, processes the result from the database and converts it that back to a reply. It supports requests to retrieve events for Quick Query and Event Drill Down, to retrieve vulnerability information and advisor information and to manipulate configuration information. DAS also handles logging of all events being received from the Collector Manager and requests to retrieve and store configuration information.

## Correlation Engine Process (correlation\_engine)

The Correlation Engine (correlation\_engine) process receives events from the Collector Manager and publishes correlated events based on user-defined correlation rules.

## Collector Manager

Collector Manager services, processes and sends events.

## iSCALE

It is a message-oriented middleware (MOM) that provides the communication platform for all other Sentinel processes.

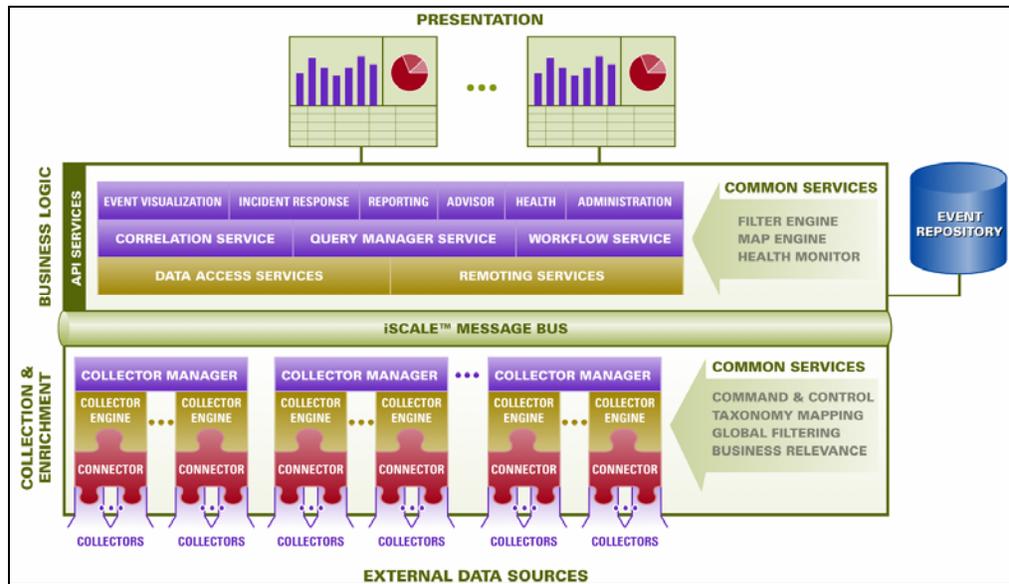
## Logical Architecture

Sentinel is composed of three logical layers:

- “Collection and enrichment layer”
- “Business logic layer”
- “Presentation layer”

The collection/enrichment layer aggregates the events from external data sources, transforms the device-specific formats into Sentinel format, enriches the native events source with business-relevant data and dispatches the event packets to the message bus. The key component orchestrating this function is the Collector, aided by a taxonomy mapping and global filter service.

The business logic layer contains a set of distributable components. The base component is a Remoting service that adds messaging capabilities to the data objects and services to enable transparent data access across the entire network and Data Access service that is an object management service to allow users to define objects using metadata. Additional services include Correlation, Query Manager, Workflow, Event Visualization, Incident Response, Health, Advisor, Reporting and Administration.



**Figure A-10: Sentinel Logical Layers**

The presentation layer renders the application interface to the end user. A comprehensive dashboard called the Sentinel Control Center offers an integrated user workbench consisting of an array of seven different applications accessible through a single common framework. This cross-platform framework is built on Java™ 1.4 standards and provides a unified view into independent business logic components – real-time interactive graphs, actionable incident response, automated enforceable incident workflow, reporting, incident remediation against known exploits and more.

Each of the layers are illustrated in the figure above and subsequently discussed in detail in the following sections.

## Collection and Enrichment Layer

Event Source Management (ESM) provides tools to manage and monitor connections between Sentinel and third-party event sources. Events are aggregated using a set of flexible and configurable Collectors, which collect data from a myriad of sensors and other devices and sources. User can use pre-built Collectors, modify existing Collectors or build their own Collectors to ensure the system meets all requirements.

Data aggregated by the Collectors in the form of events is subsequently normalized and transformed into XML format, enriched with a series of metadata (that is, data about data) using a set of business relevance services and propagated to the server-side for further computational analysis using message bus platform. The Collection and Enrichment layer consists of the following components:

- Connectors and Collector
- Collector Manager and Engine
- Collector Builder

### Connectors and Collectors

A Connector is a concentrator or multiplexed adapter that connects the Collector Engine to the actual monitored devices.

Collectors are the component-level aggregator of event data from a specific source. Sentinel primarily supports remote “Collector-less” connections to sources; however, Collectors can be deployed on specific devices where a remote approach is less efficient.

Collectors are controlled from the Sentinel Control Center, which orchestrates the communication between the Collectors and the Sentinel platform for real time analysis, correlation computation and incident response.

### Collector Manager and Engine

Collector Manager manages the Collectors, monitors system status messages and performs event filtering as needed. Main functions of the Collector Manager include transforming events, adding business relevance to events through taxonomy, performing global filtering on events, routing events and sending health messages to the Sentinel server.

A Collector Engine is the interpreter component that parses the Collector code.

### Collector Builder

Collector Builder is a standalone application that is used to build, configure and debug Collectors. This application serves as an integrated development environment (or IDE) that allows the user to create new Collectors to parse data from source devices using a special-purpose interpretive language designed to handle the nature of network and security events.

ESM introduces a new hierarchy of deployment objects that allow users to group multiple connections into sets. The hierarchy is as follows:

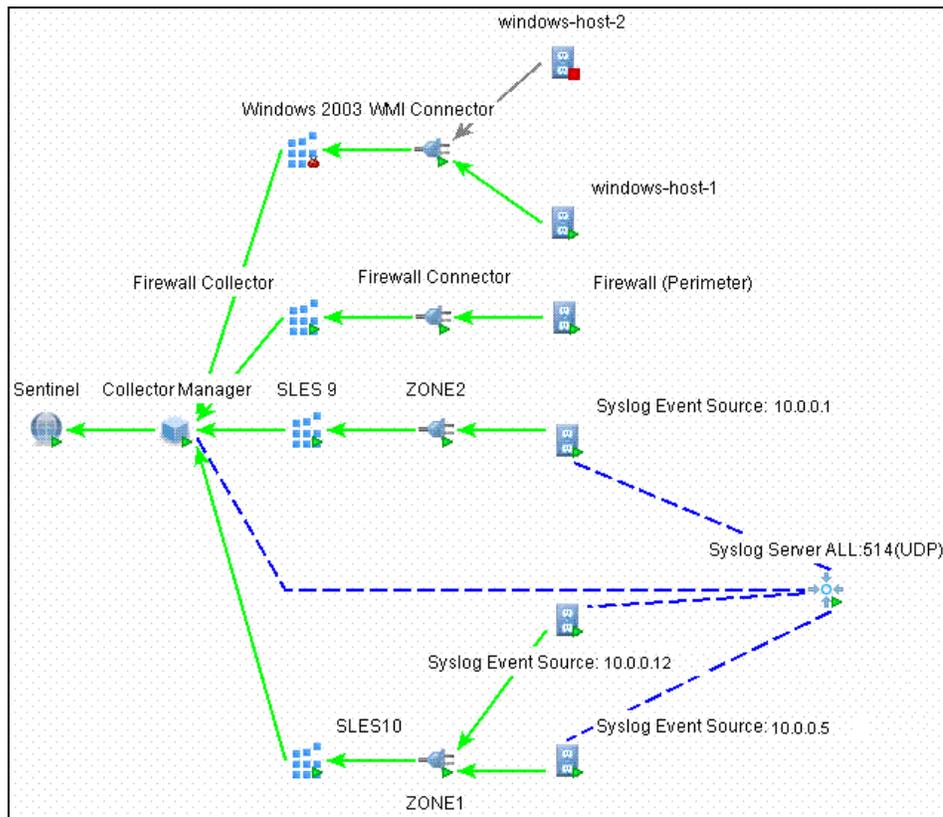


Figure A-11: ESM Hierarchy

The Event Source, Event Source Server, Collector, and Connector are configuration related objects and can be added through the ESM user interface.

- **Event Source:** This node represents a connection to a specific source of data, such as a specific file, firewall or Syslog relay, and contains the configuration information necessary to establish the connection. The health of this node represents the health of the connection to the data source. This node will send raw data to its parent Connector node.
- **Event Source Server:** This node represents a deployed instance of a server-type Connector plug-in. Some protocols, such as Syslog UDP/TCP, NAudit and others, push their data from the source to a server that is listening to accept the data. The Event Source Server node represents this server and can be configured to accept data from protocols that are supported by the selected Connector plug-in. This node will redirect the raw data it receives to an Event Source node that is configured to receive data from it.
- **Collector:** This node represents a deployed instance of a Collector Script. It specifies which Collector Script to use as well as the parameter values with which the Collector should run. This node will send Sentinel events to its parent Collector Manager node.
- **Connector:** This node represents a deployed instance of a Connector plug-in. It includes the specification of which Connector plug-in to use as well as some configuration information, such as “auto-discovery.” This node will send raw data to its parent Collector node.

## Common Services

All of the above-described components in this Collection and Enrichment layer are driven by a set of common services. These utility services form the fabric of the data collection and data enrichment and assist in filtering the noise from the information (through global filters), applying user-defined tags to enrich the events information (through business relevance and taxonomy mapping services) and governing the data Collectors’ functions (through command and control services).

### Taxonomy:

Nearly all security products produce events in different formats and with varying content. For example, Windows and Solaris report a failed login differently.

Sentinel’s taxonomy automatically translates heterogeneous product data into meaningful terms, which allows for a real-time homogeneous view of the entire network security. Sentinel Taxonomy formats and filters raw security events before adding event context to the data stream. This process formats all the security data in the most optimal structure for processing by the Sentinel Correlation engine, as you can see in the following diagram.

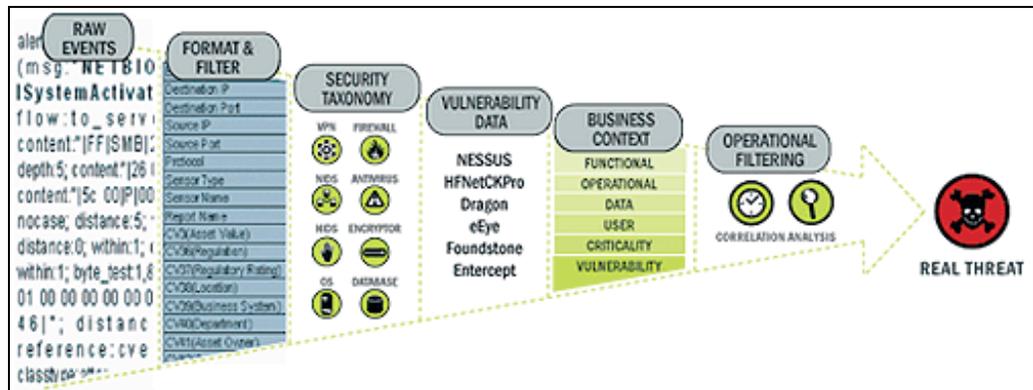


Figure A-12: Sentinel Taxonomy

## Business Relevance:

Sentinel injects business-relevant contextual data directly into the event stream. It includes up to 135 customizable fields where users can add in asset specific information such as business unit, owner, asset value, geography. After this information is added into the system, all other components can take advantage of the additional context.

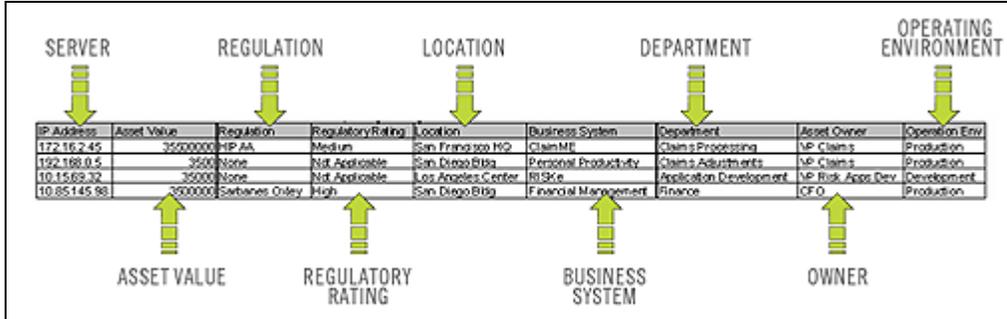


Figure A-13: Injecting Business Relevance

**Exploit Detection:** Exploit Detection enables immediate, actionable notification of attacks on vulnerable systems. It provides a real-time link between IDS signatures and vulnerability scan results, notifying users automatically and immediately when an attack attempt to exploit a vulnerable system. This dramatically improves the efficiency and effectiveness of incident response.

Exploit Detection provides users with updates of mappings between IDS and vulnerability scanner product signatures. The mappings include a comprehensive list of IDS and vulnerability scanners. Users simply upload vulnerability scan results into Sentinel. Exploit Detection automatically parses them and updates the appropriate IDS Collectors. It uses the embedded knowledge of vulnerability status to efficiently and effectively prioritize responses to security threats in real time.

When an attack is launched against a vulnerable asset, Exploit Detection alerts users with the corresponding severity level of the exploited vulnerability. Users can then take immediate action on high-priority events. This takes the guesswork out of alert monitoring and increases incident response efficiency by focusing reaction on known attacks against vulnerable assets.

Exploit Detection also enables users to map or “un-map” signatures and vulnerabilities to tune out false positives and negatives and to leverage custom signatures or vulnerability scans.

## Business Logic Layer

The kernel of the Sentinel platform consists of a set of loosely-coupled services that can run in a standalone configuration or in a distributed topology. This service-oriented architecture (SOA) is called iSCALE. Specifically, Sentinel’s SOA comprises a set of engines, services and APIs working together for linear scaling of the solution against increasing data load and/or processing workload.

Sentinel services run in specialized containers and allow unparalleled processing and scaling because they are optimized for message-based transport and computation. The key services that make up the Sentinel Server include:

- “Remoting Service”
- “Data Access Service”
- “Query Manager Service”
- “Incident Response”
- “Reporting”
- “Advisor”

- “Correlation Service”
- “Workflow Service”
- “Event Visualization”
- “Health”
- “Administration”

## Remoting Service

Sentinel’s Remoting Service provides the mechanism by which the server and client programs communicate. This mechanism is typically referred to as distributed object application.

Remoting Service provides the following capabilities:

- **Locate remote objects:** This is achieved through metadata that describes the object name or registration token, although the actual location is not required, because the iSCALE message bus allows for location transparency.
- **Communicate with remote objects:** Details of communication between remote objects are handled by the iSCALE message bus.
- **Object streaming and chunking:** When large amounts of data need to pass back and forth from the client to the server, these objects are optimized to load the data on demand.
- **Callbacks:** Another pattern and layer of abstraction built into the Remoting Service that allows for PTP remote object communication.
- **Service monitoring and statistics:** This provides performance and load statistics for usage of these remote services.

## Data Access Service

Data Access Service (DAS) is an object management service, which allows users to define objects using metadata. DAS manages the object and access to objects and automates transmission and persistence. DAS also serves as a facade for accessing data from any persistent data store such as databases, directory services or files. The operations of DAS include uniform data access through JDBC and optionally high-performance event insert strategies using native connectors (that is, OCI for Oracle 9i and ADO for Microsoft SQL Server).

## Query Manager Service

The Query Manager Service orchestrates drill-down and event history requests from the Sentinel Control Center. This service is an integral component for implementing the paging algorithm used in the Event History browsing capability. It converts user-defined filters into valid criteria and appends security criteria to it before events are retrieved. This service also ensures that the criteria do not change during a paged event history transaction.

## Correlation Service

Sentinel’s correlation algorithm computes correlated events by analyzing the data stream in real time. It publishes the correlated events based on user-defined rules before the events reach the database. Rules in the correlation engine can detect a pattern in a single event of a running window of events. When a match is detected, the correlation engine generates a correlated event describing the found pattern and can create an incident or trigger a remediation workflow through iTRAC. The correlation engine works with a rules checker component which computes the correlation rule expressions and validates syntax of filters. In addition to providing a comprehensive set of correlation rules, Sentinel’s correlation engine provides specific advantages over database-centric correlation engines.

- By relying on in-memory processing rather than database inserts and reads, the correlation engine performs during high steady-state volumes as well as during event spikes when under attack, the time when correlation performance is most critical.
- Correlation volume does not slow down other system components, so the user interface remains responsive, especially with high event volumes.
- Distributed correlation: Organizations can deploy multiple correlation engines, each on its own server, without the need to replicate configurations or add databases. Independent scaling of components provides cost-effective scalability and performance.
- The correlation engine can add events to incidents after an incident has been determined.

Users are encouraged to measure a metric called Event Rules per Second (ERPS). ERPS is the measure of the number of events that can be examined by a correlation rule per second. This measure is a good performance indicator as it estimates the impact on performance when two factors intersect: events per second and number of rules in use.

- **Dynamic Lists:** Dynamic lists are distributed list structures that can be used for storing elements and performing fast lookups on those elements. These lists can store a set of strings such as IP addresses, server names or usernames. Examples of dynamic lists include:
  - Terminated user list
  - Suspicious user watch list
  - Privileged user watch list
  - Authorized ports and services list
  - Authorized server list
- In all cases, correlation rules might reference named dynamic lists to perform lookups on list members. For example, a rule can be written to identify a file access event from a user who is not a member of the Authorized Users list. Additionally, correlation actions integrate with the dynamic list module to add or remove elements from a list. The combination of lookups and automated actions on the same list provides a powerful feedback mechanism used to identify complex situations.

## Workflow Service (iTRAC)

The Workflow Service receives triggers on incident creation and initiates workflow processes based on pre-defined workflow templates. It manages the lifecycle of these processes by generating work items or executing activities. This service also maintains a history of completed processes that can be used for auditing incident responses.

## Event Visualization

Active Views™, the interactive graphical user interface for event visualization, provides an integrated, security management dashboard with a comprehensive set of real-time visualization and analytical tools to facilitate threat detection and analysis. Users can monitor events in real time and perform instant drill-downs from seconds to hours in the past. A wide array of visualization charts and aids allow monitoring of information through 3D bar, 2D stacked, line and ribbon chart representation and others. Additional valuable information can be viewed from the Active Views dashboard, including notification of asset exploits (exploit detection), viewing asset information and graphical associations between pertinent source IPs and destination IPs.

Because *Active Views* uses the iSCALE architecture, analysts can quickly drill down for further analysis because *Active Views* provides direct access to the real-time memory-resident event data, which easily handles thousands of events per second without any

performance degradation. Data is kept in memory and written to the database as needed (*Active Views* can store up to 8 hours of data in memory with typical event loads). This uninterrupted, performance-oriented real-time view is essential when under attack or in steady-state.

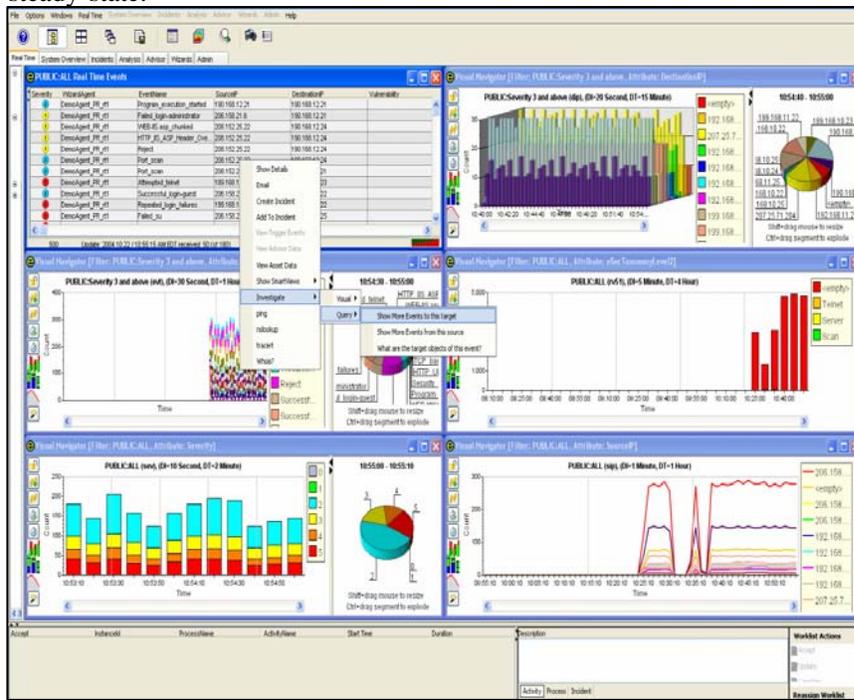


Figure A-14: Active View

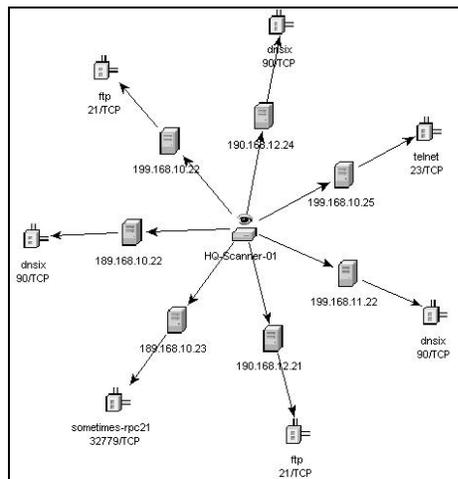
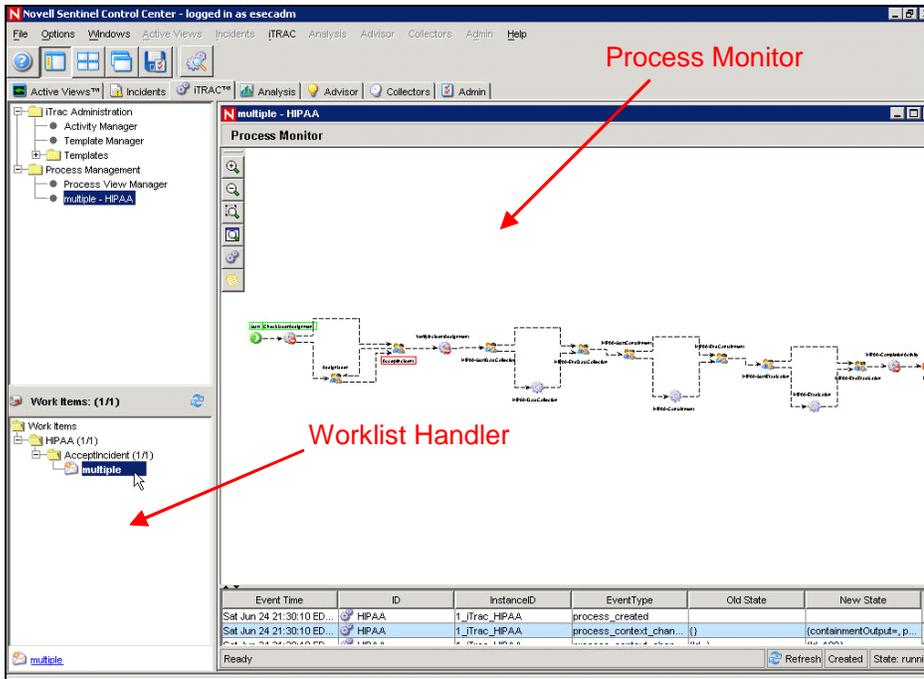


Figure A-15: Network

### Incident response through iTRAC

Sentinel iTRAC transforms traditional security information management from a passive “alerting and viewing” role to an “actionable incident response” role by enabling organizations to define and document incident resolution processes and then guide, enforce and track resolution processes after an incident or violation has been detected.

Sentinel comes with “out-of-the-box” process templates that use the SANS Institute’s guidelines for incident handling. Users can start with these pre-defined processes and configure specific activities to reflect their organization’s best practices. iTRAC processes can be automatically triggered from incident creation or correlation rules or manually engaged by an authorized security or audit professional. iTRAC keeps an audit trail of all actions to support compliance reporting and historical analysis.



**Figure A-16: Process Template**

A worklist provides the user with all tasks that have been assigned to the user and a process monitor provides real-time visibility into process status during a resolution process lifecycle.

iTRAC’s activity framework enables users to customize automated or manual tasks for specific incident-resolution processes. The iTRAC process templates can be configured using the activity framework to match the template with an organization’s best practices. Activities are executed directly from the Sentinel Control Center.

iTRAC’s automation framework works using two key components:

Activity container

It automates the activities execution for the specified set of steps based on input rules

Workflow container

It automates the workflow execution based on activities through a work-list.

The input rules are based on the XPD (XML Processing Description Language) standard and provide a formal model for expressing executable processes in a business enterprise. This standards-based approach to the implementation of business-specific rules and rule sets ensures future-proofing of process definitions for customers.

The iTRAC system uses three Sentinel 6 objects that can be defined outside the iTRAC framework:

- **Incident:** Incidents within Sentinel 6 are groups of events that represent an actionable security incident, associated state and meta-information. Incidents are created manually or through correlation rules, and can be associated with a workflow process. They can be viewed on the *Incidents* tab.
- **Activity:** An Activity is a pre-defined automatic unit of work, with defined inputs, command-driven activity and outputs, such as automatic attachment of asset data to the incident or generation of an e-mail. Activities can be used within workflow templates, triggered by a correlation rule, or executed by a right-click when viewing events.
- **Role:** Users can be assigned to one or more Roles for example, Analyst, Admin and so on. Manual steps in the workflow processes can be assigned to a Role.

Sentinel 6 workflows have four major components that are unique to iTRAC:

- **Step:** A Step is an individual unit of work within a workflow; there are manual steps, decision steps, command steps, mail steps, and activity-based steps. Each step displays as an icon within a given workflow template.
- **Transition:** A Transition defines how the workflow will move from one state (Activity) to another and can be determined by an analyst action, by the value of a variable or by the amount of time elapsed.
- **Templates:** A Template is a design for a workflow that controls the execution of a process in Sentinel iTRAC. The template consists of a network of manual and automated steps, activities and criteria for transition between them. Workflow templates define how to respond to an incident when a process based on that template is instantiated. A template can be associated with many incidents.
- **Processes:** A process is a specific instance of a workflow template that is actively being tracked by the workflow system. It includes all the relevant information relating to the instance, including the current step in the workflow, the associated incident, and the results of the steps, attachments and notes. Each workflow process is associated with one and only one incident.

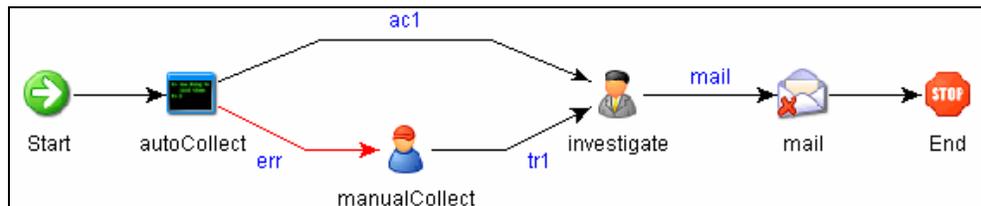


Figure A-17: iTRAC Workflow

## Reporting Service

The Reporting service allows for reporting, including historical and vulnerability reports. Sentinel comes with out-of-the-box reports and enables users to configure their own reports using Crystal Reports. Some examples of reports included with Sentinel are:

- Trend analysis
- Security status of lines of business or critical assets
- Attack types
- Targeted assets
- Response times and resolution
- Policy compliance violations

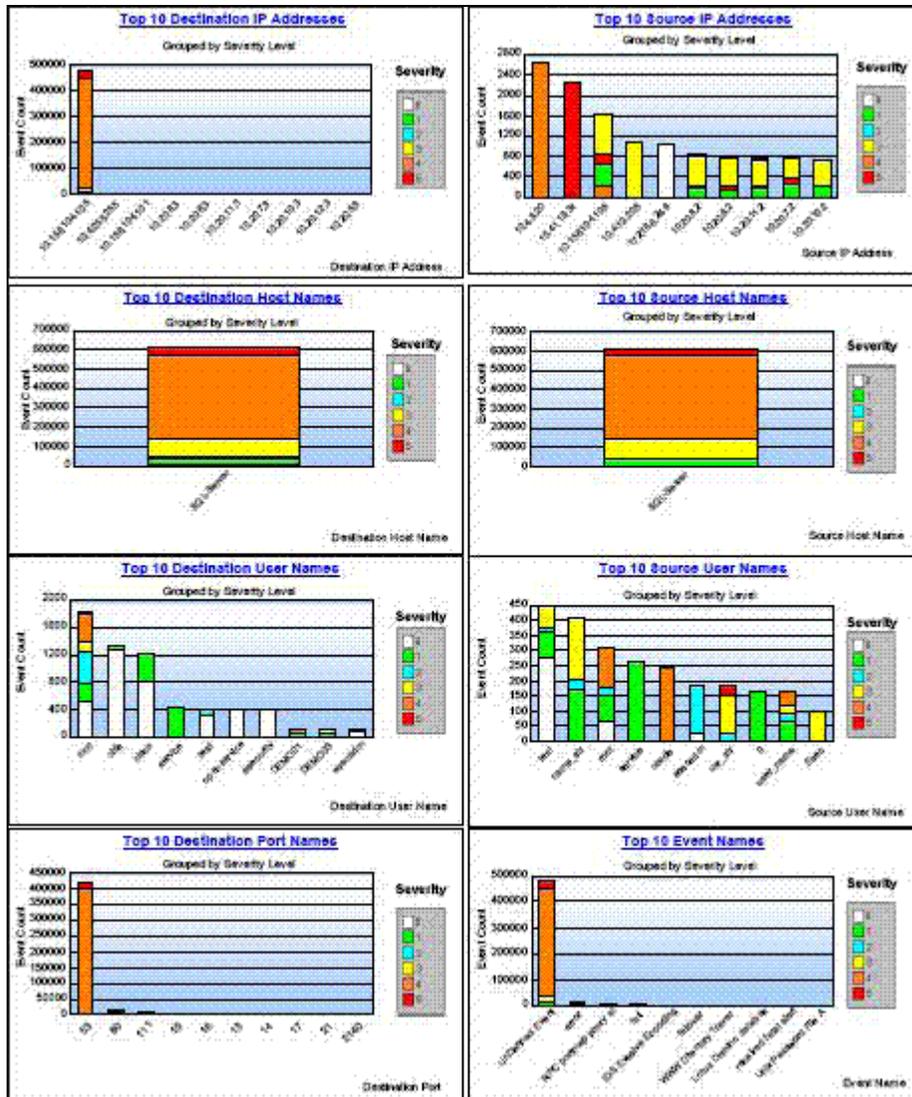


Figure A-18: Sentinel Top 10 Reports

## Advisor

*Sentinel Advisor*, an optional module, cross-references Sentinel’s real-time alert data with known vulnerabilities and remediation information, bridging the gap between incident detection and response. With Advisor, organizations can determine if events exploit specific vulnerabilities and how these attacks impact their assets. Advisor also contains detailed information on the vulnerabilities that attacks intend to exploit, the potential effects of the attacks if successful and necessary steps for remediation. Recommended remediation steps are enforced and tracked using iTRAC incident response processes.

## Health

The Health service enables users to get a comprehensive view of the distributed Sentinel platform. It aggregates health information from various processes that are typically distributed on various servers. The health information is periodically displayed on the Sentinel Control Center for the end user.

## Administration

The Administration facility allows for user management and settings setup facilities typically needed by application administrators of Sentinel.

## Common Services

All of the above described components in this business logic layer of the architecture are driven by a set of common services. These utility services assist in fine-grain filtering (through Filter Engine) of events to users, continuous monitoring of system health statistics (through Health Monitor) and dynamic updates of system wide data (through Map Service). Together, these utility services form the fabric of the loosely-coupled services that allow for unparalleled processing and scaling over the message bus-based transport for real-time analytics and computation.

## Presentation Layer

The presentation layer renders the application interface to the end user. The Sentinel Control Center is a comprehensive dashboard that presents information to the user.

The presentation of event is possible through *Active Views* which displays the events in a tabular form or by using different types of charts. Table Format displays the variables of the events as columns in a table. Sorting of information is possible in the grid by clicking on the column name.

Severity	EventTime	EventName	EventID	SourceID	Collector
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Figure A-19: Active Views-Tabular format

Graphical Format displays events as graphs. Stacked Bar 2D, Bar, 3D, Line and Ribbon graphs are available for proper representation of information in graphical format.

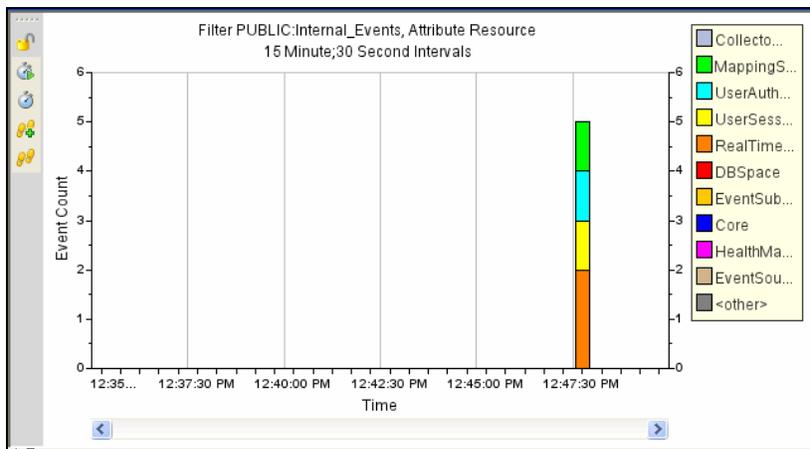


Figure A-20: Active Views-Graphical format-Stacked Bar 2D Graph

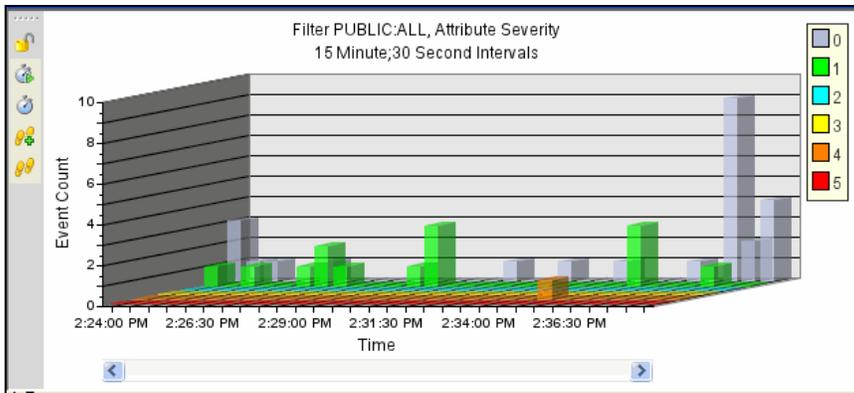


Figure A-21: Active Views-Graphical format-Bar Graph

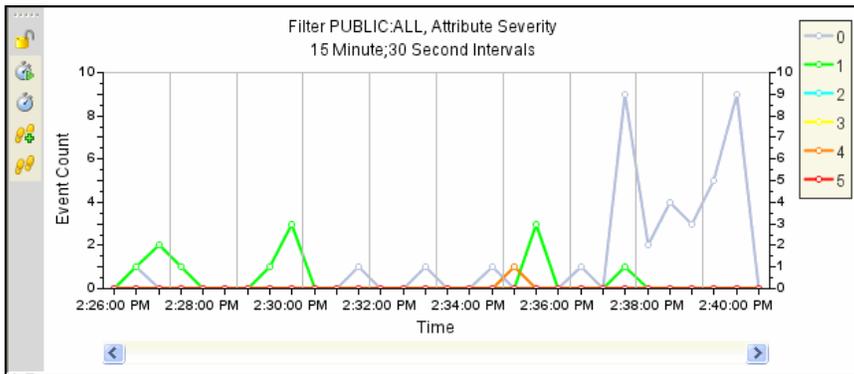


Figure A-22: Active Views-Graphical format-Line Graph

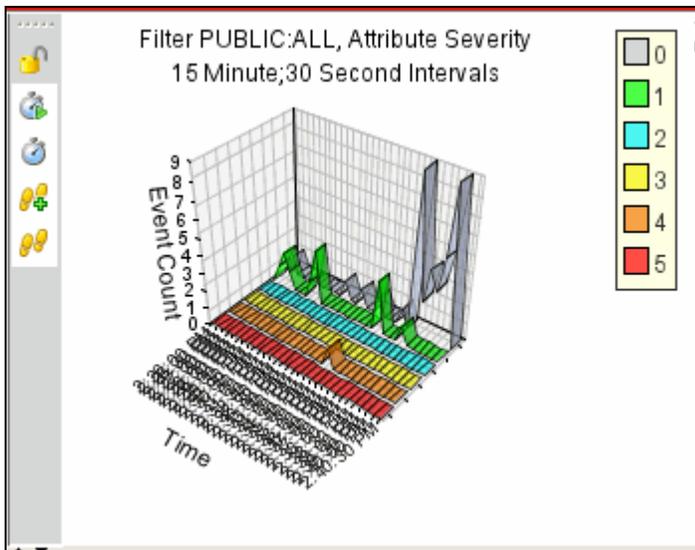
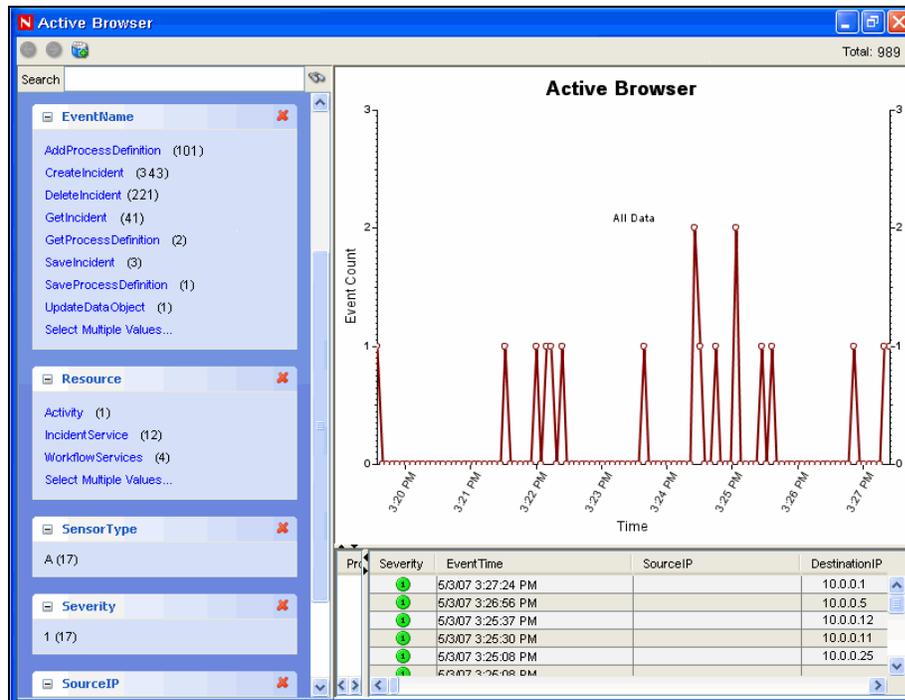


Figure A-23: Active Views-Graphical format-Ribbon Graph

## Active Browser

*Active Browser* facility helps in viewing the selected events. In *Active Browser*, the events are grouped according to the metatags. In these metatags various sub-categories are defined. The numbers in the parentheses against these sub-categories display the total number of event counts corresponding to the value of the metatag.



**Figure A-24:** Active Browser

In *Active Browser*, the query manager service retrieves a list of events taken from any part of the system and performs a statistical analysis of these events to break them down into ranges of values for each desired attribute of the event. Using single clicks through a Web browser interface, you can select ranges to quickly drill down on a large set of events. Then individual event details can be viewed or exported to an html or csv file. Additional event attributes for analysis can be added dynamically at any time, and the interface provides an interactive way to drill down on events in a given time range.

# B System Events for Sentinel

In the description tables below, words in italics surrounded by <...> are replaced by relevant values in the real messages.

## Authentication Events

### Authentication

When a user is authentic, the following event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	Authentication
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authenticate
Message	User <name> has passed Authentication to Sentinel/Wizard

### Creating Entry For External User

When creating an external user, the following event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CreatingEntryForExternalUser
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authentication
Message	No existing local user entry with name <name> found, creating one

### Duplicate User Objects

When there is an unexpected second active user object, this should not happen, the following event is generated. This is an internal error.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	TooManyActiveUsers
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authenticate
Message	Error in user table : Multiple users with the name <name> found

### Failed Authentication

When a user authentication fails, the following event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4

Event Name	AuthenticationFailed
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authenticate
Message	Authentication of user <name> with OS name <domUser> from <IP> failed

## Locked Account

When a locked user account is attempting to login, the following event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	LockedUser
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authentication
Message	Attempt to login using locked account <acct>

## Locked User

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	

## No Such User Event

When a user attempts to login into the application and authentication succeeds but the user is not an Sentinel user, the following event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	NoSuchUser
Resource	UserAuthentication
SubResource	Authenticate
Message	No existing user with name <name> found

## Too Many Active Users

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	

## User Discovered

If the server restarts, it loses the session information. It will then reconstruct the session when it receives messages from active users. When it discovers a connected user, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	UserLoggedIn
Resource	UserSessionManager
SubResource	User
Message	Discovered active user <user> with OS name <osName> at <IP> logged in; currently <number> active users

## User Logged In

When a user logs in, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	UserLoggedIn
Resource	UserSessionManager
SubResource	User
Message	User <user> with OS name <osName> at <IP> logged in; currently <number> active users

## User Logged Out

When a user logs out, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	UserLoggedOut
Resource	UserSessionManager
SubResource	User
Message	Closing session for <user> OS name <osName> from <IP> was on since <date>; currently <number> active users

## User Management

### Add Users To Role

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createRole
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowAdminService
Message	Adding users <name> to role <role>

### Create Role

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createRole
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowAdminService
Message	Creating role with name <name> and description <description>

## Create User

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createUser
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowAdminService
Message	Creating user {0} Name {1} {2} belonging to roles <roles>

## Creating User Account

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createUser
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Creating User Account: {0} with Last Name: <lastName>, First Name: <firstName>, State: <state>

## Delete Role

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteRole
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowAdminService
Message	Deleting role with name <name>

## Deleting User Account

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteUser
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Deleting User Account: {0}

## Locking User Account

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	lockUser
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Locking User Account: {0}

## Remove Users From Role

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	removeUsersFromRole
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowAdminService
Message	Removing users <name> from role <role>

## Resetting Password

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	setPassword
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Resetting password for User Account {0}

## Unlocking User Account

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	unlockUser
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Unlocking User Account: {0}

## Updating User

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	updateUser
Resource	Config
SubResource	UserManagementService
Message	Updating user: {0} Last Name: <lastName>, First Name: <firstName>, State: <state>

## Database Event Management

### Database Space Reached Specified Percent Threshold

When event insertion is resumed after being blocked, the following event is sent.

Tag	Value
Severity	0
Event Name	DbSpaceReachedPercentThrshld
Resource	Database
SubResource	Database
Message	Tablespace <string> has current size of <number> MB with a max size of <number> MB and has reached the percentage threshold of <number> %

### Database Space Reached Specified Time Threshold

When event insertion is resumed after being blocked, the following event is sent.

Tag	Value
Severity	0
Event Name	DbSpaceReachedTimeThrshld
Resource	Database
SubResource	Database

Tag	Value
Message	Tablespace <string> has <number> MB left and growing <number> bytes per second and will run out space within the time threshold specified <number> seconds

## Database Space Very Low

When event insertion is resumed after being blocked, the following event is sent.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	DbSpaceVeryLow
Resource	Database
SubResource	Database
Message	Tablespace <string> has current size of <number> MB and has reached the physical threshold of <number> MB

## Database Stat

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	DbSpaceStat
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	

## Error inserting events

When inserting events into the database fails the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	InsertEventsFailed
Resource	EventSubsystem
SubResource	Events
Message	Error inserting events into the Database—the events might be permanently lost. Please check the Database and backend server logs <Exception>

## Error Moving Completed File

When an event file is completed it is moved to the output directory. If that move fails the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	3
Event Name	MoveArchiveFileFailed
Resource	<DAS name>
SubResource	ArchiveFile

Message	Error moving completed archive file <fileName> to <directory>
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## Error Processing Event Message

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	ErrorProcessingEventMessage
Resource	EventSubsystem
SubResource	EventStore
Message	Error processing event message, events may be lost; check the log file for more details: {0}

## Error Saving Failed Events

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	ErrorSavingFailedEvents
Resource	EventSubsystem
SubResource	EventStore
Message	Error inserting failed events to cache; {0} events may be permanently lost. Check the logs for more detail and correct the problem immediately: {1}

## Event Insertion is blocked

If DAS is writing into the overflow partition and the user attempts to add partitions SDM will send a request to DAS to temporarily stop inserting events into the database. When this happens DAS will send internal events every time it attempts to insert events into the database.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	EventInsertionIsBlocked
Resource	EventSubSystem
SubResource	Events
Message	Event insertion is blocked, waiting <number> sec

## Event Insertion is resumed

When event insertion is resumed after being blocked, the following event is sent.

Tag	Value
Severity	2
Event Name	EventInsertionResumed
Resource	EventSubSystem
SubResource	Events
Message	Event insertion has resumed after being blocked

## Event Message Queue Overflow

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	EventMessageQueueOverflow
Resource	EventSubsystem
SubResource	EventStore
Message	In the previous {0}ms, failed to execute event store task for {1} events because task queue is full--Events were stored to file for later insertion. Check the log files and the database "for more information. The error occurred {2} times in this time range: {3}";

## Event Processing Failed

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	EventProcessingFailed
Resource	EventSubsystem
SubResource	EventStore
Message	In the previous {0}ms, failed to process {1} events--Events were stored for later insertion. Check the log files and the database for more information. The error occurred {2} times in this time range: {3}, cause {4}";

## Low Space In The Database

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	DbSpaceLow
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	

## No Space In The Database

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	DbNoSpace
Resource	DBSpace
SubResource	tableSpace
Message	

## Opening Archive File failed

When opening an archive file for storing the events for aggregation fails, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	3
Event Name	OpenArchiveFileFailed
Resource	<Das name>
SubResource	ArchiveFile
Message	Error opening archive file <fileName> in <directory>

## Partition Configuration

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	
SubResource	PartitionConfig
Message	ableName=<name> PartTimeUnit={1} PartTimeFactor={2} NumberOfUnits={3}

## Writing to Archive File failed

When opening an archive file for storing the events for aggregation fails, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	3
Event Name	WriteArchiveFileFailed
Resource	<Das name>
SubResource	ArchiveFile
Message	Error writing newly received events to aggregation archive file <fileName>

## Writing to the overflow partition (P\_MAX)

An event is sent approximately every 5 minutes notifying the user when events are being written to the overflow partition (P\_MAX). When this occurs, the administrator needs to use SDM and add more partitions otherwise performance will start degrading.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	InsertIntoOverflowPartition
Resource	EventSubSystem
SubResource	Events
Message	Error: currently inserting into the overflow partitions (P_MAX), add more partitions

## Database Aggregation

### Creating Summary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createSummary
Resource	
SubResource	

Tag	Value
Message	Creating summary: <summaryDescription>

### Deleting Summary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteSummary
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	Deleting summary: <summaryDescription>

### Disabling Summary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	disableSummary
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	Disabling summary: <summaryDescription>

### Enabling Summary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	enableSummary
Resource	
SubResource	EventAggregationAdminService
Message	Enabling summary: <summaryDescription>

### Error inserting summary data into the database

If an error is encountered while writing aggregation data into the database, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	SummaryUpdateFailure
Resource	Aggregation
SubResource	Summary
Message	Error saving summary batch to the database for summary <summaryName>

### Saving Summary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveSummary
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	Saving summary: <summaryDescription>

## Mapping Service

### Error

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	error
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	Error while updating map data: {0}

### Error Applying Incremental Update

This event is sent when the mapping service fails to apply an update to an existing client map.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	ErrorApplyingIncrementalUpdate
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	The error <error> occurred while applying updates to map <mapName> (ID <mapId>) v.<version>. Rescheduling a refresh to complete map update.

### Error initializing map with ID

This internal event is generated from the client side of the mapping service (the one that is part of the *Collector Manager*). This error is generated when the *Collector Manager* attempts to retrieve a map that does not exist. This should not happen but can happen if maps are created and deleted.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	ErrorNoSuchMap
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Error initializing map with id <ID>: no such map

### Error Refreshing Map

This internal event is generated from the client side of the mapping service (the one that is part of the *Collector Manager*). When the *Collector Manager* is told to refresh the map because it has been modified or its definition has changed it sends an internal event. This means that there was some unexpected non-transient error while trying to refresh a map. The *Collector Manager* will wait 15 minutes and will try again. If this happens during initialization the initialization will proceed and this map will be ignored until it can be successfully loaded.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	ErrorRefreshingMapData
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Error refreshing map <mapName>: <exc>

## Error Saving Data File

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	ErrorSavingDataFile
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	MapService
Message	The error <error> occurred while saving data to file <fileName> (no) backup

## Get File Size

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	getFileSize
Resource	
SubResource	
Message	Retrieving size for file <fileName>

## Loaded Large Map

This internal event is an information event sent by the mapping service informing that a large map was loaded to the *Collector Manager*. A map is considered large if the number of rows exceeds 100,000.

Tag	Value
Severity	0
Event Name	LoadedLargeMap
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Finished loading map <name> with id <ID> and <number> entries and total size <#>Kb in <##>sec

## Long time To load Map

This internal event is an information event sent by the mapping service informing that loading a map took an unusually long time (greater than one minute).

Tag	Value
Severity	0
Event Name	LongTimeToLoadMap
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	It took <##>sec to load map <name> with id <ID> and <number> entries and total size <##>Kb

## Out Of Sync Detected

This event is sent when the mapping service detects that a map is out of date. The mapping service will automatically schedule a refresh.

Tag	Value
Severity	2
Event Name	OutOfsyncDetected

Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Map <mapName> detected the map data is out-of-sync, probably because of a missed update notification--scheduling a refresh

## Refreshing Map from Cache

This internal event is generated from the client side of the mapping service (the one that is part of the *Collector Manager*). When the *Collector Manager* is told to refresh the map because it has been modified or its definition has changed it sends an internal event. This means that its cache is up to date and is refreshing the map from cache.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	LoadingMapFromCache
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Loading from cache v<version> of map <mapName> (ID <id>)

## Refreshing Map from Server

This internal event is generated from the client side of the mapping service (the one that is part of the *Collector Manager*). When the *Collector Manager* is told to refresh the map because it has been modified or its definition has changed it sends an internal event. This means that the map was either not in the cache or the version in the cache was not up to date and the *Collector Manager* is retrieving the map from the server.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RefreshingMapFromServer
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Refreshing from server map <name> with id <ID>

## Save Data File

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveDataFile
Resource	
SubResource	MapService
Message	Saving data file {0}, backup? {1}

## Saved Data File

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	SavedDataFile
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	MapService
Message	Saved "+fileSize+" bytes to file <fileName> with original backed up to "+backupFile:"no backup of original

## Timed Out Waiting For Callback

When the *Collector Manager* needs to refresh a map it sends a request to the backend. This request contains a callback. The backend generates the map and when it is ready it sends the map to the *Collector Manager* using the callback. If it takes too long for the response to arrive (more than ten minutes) the *Collector Manager* will submit a second request assuming the first was lost. When this occurs, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	2
Event Name	TimeoutWaitingForCallback
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Map <name> timed out waiting for callback with new map data--retrying

## Timeout Refreshing Map

This internal event is generated from the client side of the mapping service (the one that is part of the *Collector Manager*). When the *Collector Manager* is told to refresh the map because it has been modified or its definition has changed it sends an internal. This means that the *Collector Manager* attempted to retrieve the map from the server and the server never acknowledged the request and timed out. This error is considered transient and the *Collector Manager* will retry.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	TimeoutRefreshingMap
Resource	MappingService
SubResource	ReferentialDataObjectMap
Message	Request timed out while refreshing map <name>: <exception>

## Update

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	update
Resource	
SubResource	MapDataCallback
Message	Updating map data

## Update

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	update
Resource	
SubResource	(low)
Message	Updating map data (ser)

## Event Router

## Event Router

### Event Router is Initializing

This event is sent when an event router starts its initialization. The event router starts initializing when it has established a connection with the backend (DAS Query).

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	EventRouterInitializing
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	EventRouter
Message	Event router is initializing in standalone mode; reqId(1EEAD430-E790-1029-93AC-000C296FC5D4)

### Event Router is Running

Event router is the main component of the *Collector Manager* (the one that performs the maps, applies global filters and publishes the events). This internal event is sent when the event router is ready during initialization. When the *Collector Manager* is restarted, another event will be sent when it is ready.

This event is not sent until the event router successfully loaded all the global filters and map information.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	EventRouterIsRunning
Resource	CollectorManager

### Event Router is Stopping

This event is sent when a request is received by the event router to stop during shutdown.

Tag	Value
Severity	2
Event Name	EventRouterStopping
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	EventRouter
Message	Event router is stopping; reqId(B408EC15-F4D2-1029-A795-000C296FC5D4)

### Event Router is Terminating

This event is sent when a request is received by the event router to stop during shutdown.

Tag	Value
Severity	2
Event Name	EventRouterTerminating
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	EventRouter

Message	Event router is terminating; reqId(B408EC15-F4D2-1029-A797-000C296FC5D4)
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## Correlation Engine

### Correlation Action Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	Correlation
SubResource	CorrelationActionDefinition
Message	Action Name: <name> with Id: <ID>

### Correlation Engine Configuration

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	Correlation
SubResource	CorrEngineConfig
Message	Correlation Engine ID: <ID> Name: <name> Active: {2}

### Correlation Engine is Running

The correlation engine process can be idled by the user. Its running state determines whether the active process is processing events or not. The process starts in the idle (stopped) state and waits to retrieve its configuration from the database. This event is sent when the engine changes state from stopped to running.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	EngineRunning
Resource	CorrelationEngine
SubResource	CorrelationEngine
Message	Correlation Engine is processing events.

### Correlation Engine is Stopped

This event is sent out when the engine changes state from running to stopped.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	EngineStopped
Resource	CorrelationEngine
SubResource	CorrelationEngine
Message	Correlation Engine has stopped processing events.

### Correlation Rule

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	Correlation
SubResource	CorrRule
Message	Rule Name: <name> Type: <type> Rule Id: <ID>

## Correlation Rule Configuration

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	Correlation
SubResource	CorrRuleConfig
Message	Correlation Rule Config ID: <ID> Rule Definition ID: {1} Name: <name> Active: {3}

## Deploy Rules With Actions To Engine

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deployRulesWithActionsToEngine
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Deploy Rules With Actions To Engine <enginId>: Rules: <ruleID> Actions: <actionID>

## Disabling Rule

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	disableRule
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Disable Rule: {ruleCfgId}

## Enabling Rule

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	enableRule
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Enable Rule: {ruleCfgId}

## Rename Correlation Engine

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	renameCorrEngine
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService

Tag	Value
Message	Rename Engine to: <name> with EngineId: <ID>

## Rule Deployment is Modified

This event is sent out when an engine successfully reloads a rule deployment. This message is sent out regardless of the engine running state.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	DeploymentModified
Resource	CorrelationEngine
SubResource	Deployment
Message	Deployment <name> modified

## Rule Deployment is Started

This event is sent out when an engine successfully loads a rule deployment. This message is sent out regardless of the engine running state.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	DeploymentStarted
Resource	CorrelationEngine
SubResource	Deployment
Message	deployment <name> started

## Rule Deployment is Stopped

This event is sent out when an engine successfully unloads a rule deployment. This message is sent out regardless of the engine running state.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	DeploymentStopped
Resource	CorrelationEngine
SubResource	Deployment
Message	deployment <name> stopped

## Starting Engine

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startEngine
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Start engine: <engineID>

## Stopping Engine

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopEngine
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Stop engine: <engineID>

## UnDeploy All Rules From Engine

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	undeployAllRulesFromEngine
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Undeploy all rules from Engine:

## UnDeploy Rule

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	undeployRule
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Undeploy Rule: {ruleCfgId}

## Update Correlation Rule Actions

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	updateCorrRuleActions
Resource	CorrelationManagementService
SubResource	CorrelationManagementService
Message	Update Rule Config {0} by deleting Actions: <actionID> and adding Actions: <actionID>

## Event Source Management-General

### Collector Manager Initialized

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerInitialized
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Initialized Collector Manager...

### Collector Manager Is Down

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerDown
Resource	HealthManager
SubResource	CollectorManagerHealth
Message	Collector manager <name> UUID {1} is down for {2} days {3} hrs {4} min

### Collector Manager Started

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerStarted

Tag	Value
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Started Collector Manager...

### Collector Manager Stopped

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerStopped
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Stopped Collector Manager...

### Collector Service Callback

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	restart
Resource	
SubResource	CollectorServiceCallback
Message	Restart Collector with Id: <ID>

### Cyclical Dependency

Event Service sends this event when it detects a cycle in the Event Definition (in dependencies among tags because of referential map assignments). Check the event configuration in SDM and resolve the dependency.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	CyclicalDependency
Resource	EventService
SubResource	ObjectAttrInfos
Message	Cyclical dependency detected in event transformations. Check event configuration.

### Event Source Manager Callback

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	restart
Resource	
SubResource	EventSourceManagerCallback
Message	Restart node with Id: <ID>

### Initializing Collector Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerInitializing
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal

Tag	Value
Message	Initializing Collector Manager...

## Lost Contact With Collector Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	LostContactWithCollectorManager
Resource	HealthManager
SubResource	CollectorManagerHealth
Message	Lost contact with collector manager <name> UUID {1}--down for {2} days {3} hrs {4} min

## No Data Alert

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	NoDataAlert
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	objectName
Message	No data received for {7} {0} (ID {1}) for last {2} days {3} hrs {4} min {5} sec (threshold {6} ms)

## Persistent Process Died

Collector Engine sends this event when the persistent process connector detects its controlled process has died.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	PersistentProcessDied
Resource	AgentManager
SubResource	AgentManager
Message	Persistent Process on port <port ID> has died.

## Persistent Process Restarted

Collector Engine sends this event when the persistent process connector is able to restart the controlled process that had died.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	PersistentProcessRestarted
Resource	AgentManager
SubResource	AgentManager
Message	Persistent Process on port <port ID> has restarted.

## Port Start

Collector Manager sends this event when a port is started.

Tag	Value
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Severity	1
Event Name	PortStart
Resource	AgentManager
SubResource	AgentManager
Message	Processing started for port_<port ID>

## Port Stop

*Collector Manager* sends this event when a port is stopped.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	PortStop
Resource	AgentManager
SubResource	AgentManager
Message	Processing stopped for port_<port ID>

## Reestablished Contact With Collector Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	ReestablishedContactWithCollectorManager
Resource	HealthManager
SubResource	CollectorManagerHealth
Message	Reestablished contact with collector manager {0} UUID {1} after {2} days {3} hrs {4} min

## Restart Plugin Deployments

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	restartPluginDeployments
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Restart deployments of plugin: {0}

## Restarting Collector Manager (Cold Restart)

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerRestart
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Restarting Collector Manager (Cold restart)

## Restarting Collector Manager (Warm Restart)

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerRestart
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Restarting Collector Manager (Warm restart)

### Start Event Source Group

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startEventSourceGroup
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Start Connector: {0}

### Start Event Source Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startEventSourceManager
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Start Collector Manager: <eventSourceManagerID>

### Starting Collector Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerStarting
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Starting Collector Manager...

### Stop Event Source Group

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopEventSourceGroup
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop Connector: {0}

### Stop Event Source Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	StopEventSourceManager
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop Collector Manager: <eventSourceManagerID>

### Stopping Collector Manager

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	CollectorManagerStopping
Resource	CollectorManager
SubResource	Internal
Message	Stopping Collector Manager...

## Event Source Management-Event Sources

### Start Event Source

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startEventSource
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Start EventSource: {0}

### Stop Event Source

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopEventSource
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop EventSource: {0}

## Event Source Management-Collectors

### Start Collector

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startCollector
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Start Collector: {0}

### Stop Collector

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopCollector
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop Collector: {0}

## Event Source Management-Event Source Servers

### Start Event Source Server

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startEventSourceServer
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Start EventSourceServer: <eventSourceServerID>

### Stop Event Source Server

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopEventSourceServer

Tag	Value
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop EventSourceServer: <eventSourceServerID>

### Stop Event Source Server

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopEventSourceServer
Resource	EventSourceManagement
SubResource	EventSourceManagerService
Message	Stop EventSourceServer: <eventSourceServerID>

## Event Source Management-Connectors

### Data Received After Timeout

When the File Connector is configured with a DataTimeout greater than 0 in the `package.xml` file and the DataTimeout period without reading any data and then new data is read from the file, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	FileUpdatedAfterTimeout
Resource	FileConnector
SubResource	FileConnector
Message	After Event source <File Event Source ID> reached time out of <Timeout Period>, file <File Location> received new data.

### Data Timeout

When the File Connector is configured with a DataTimeout greater than 0 in the `package.xml` file and no data is read from the file in the DataTimeout period, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	FileTimeout
Resource	FileConnector
SubResource	FileConnector
Message	Event source <File Event Source ID> reached time out of <Timeout Period> when processing file <File Location>.

### File Rotation

When the File Connector is configured to use file rotation and the Connector changes from one file to the next, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	RotatingFile

Resource	FileConnector
SubResource	FileConnector
Message	File rotated for event source <File Event Source ID>. Rotating file from <Previous File Location> to <New File Location>.

## Process Auto Restart Error

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	ProcessAutoRestartError
Resource	ProcessConnector
SubResource	ProcessConnector
Message	Process <{0}> [command: {1}] was automatically restarted more than the allowed {2} automatic restart(s) in {3} min. The process will no longer be automatically restarted. Please check process configuration.

## Process Start Error

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	ProcessStartError
Resource	ProcessConnector
SubResource	ProcessConnector
Message	Error starting command: {0}

## Process Stop

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	ProcessStop
Resource	ProcessConnector
SubResource	ProcessConnector
Message	Process <{0}> exited [command: {1}]

## WMI Connector Status Message

Tag	Value
Severity	4
Event Name	WMIConnectorStatusMessage
Resource	WMIConnector
SubResource	WMIConnector
Message	<Exception>

## Active Views

### Active View Created

DAS\_Binary sends this event when an Active View is created.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtChartCreated
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager
Message	Creating new Active View with filter <filter> and attribute <attribute> for users with security filter <security filter>. Currently <n> Active View(s) Collecting.

### Active View Joined

DAS\_Binary sends this event when a user connects to an existing Active View.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtChartJoiningExistingData
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager
Message	Joining existing Active View with filter <filter> and attribute <attribute> for users with security filter <security filter>. Currently <n> Active View(s) Collecting.

### Active View No Longer Permanent

DAS\_Binary sends this event when it detects a formerly permanent Active View that is no longer permanent. This check happens periodically, so it can be several minutes after an Active View is removed from preferences before this event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtChartNotPermanent
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager
Message	Active View with filter <filter> and attribute <attribute> for users with security filter <security filter> is no longer permanent.

### Active View Now Permanent

DAS\_Binary sends this event when it detects an Active View as newly permanent. This check happens periodically, so it can be several minutes after an Active View is saved to preferences before this event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtChartIsNowPermanent
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager

Message	Active View with filter <i>&lt;filter&gt;</i> and attribute <i>&lt;attribute&gt;</i> for users with security filter <i>&lt;security filter&gt;</i> is now permanent.
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## Idle Active View Removed

DAS\_Binary sends this event when a non-permanent Active View is removed because of inactivity.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtChartInactiveAndRemoved
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager
Message	Removed idle Active View with filter <i>&lt;filter&gt;</i> and attribute <i>&lt;attribute&gt;</i> for users with security filter <i>&lt;security filter&gt;</i> . Currently <i>&lt;n&gt;</i> Active View(s) Collecting.

## Idle Permanent Active View Removed

DAS\_Binary sends this event when a permanent Active View is removed because of inactivity. Permanent Active Views are ones saved in user preferences and timeout after several days of inactivity by default.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	RtPermanentChartRemoved
Resource	RealTimeSummaryService
SubResource	ChartManager
Message	Removed idle permanent Active View with filter <i>&lt;filter&gt;</i> and attribute <i>&lt;attribute&gt;</i> for users with security filter <i>&lt;security filter&gt;</i> . Currently <i>&lt;n&gt;</i> Active View(s) Collecting.

## Data Objects

### Activity Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	
SubResource	ActivityDefinition
Message	Activaty Name: <i>&lt;name&gt;</i> Description: <i>&lt;description&gt;</i>

### Configuration

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove

Tag	Value
Resource	Core
SubResource	FilterConfig, GlobalFilterConfig, MenuConfig, OptionsConfig, IncidentActionConfig, AnalyzeDefaultConfig, AnalyzeReportConfig, AdvisorDefaultConfig and AdvisorReportConfig
Message	Updating Config Object: <name> by User: _SYSTEM

## Viewing Configuration Store

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	New/Update/Remove
Resource	
SubResource	ViewConfigurationStore
Message	name <name> type <type> description <description>

## Write Data

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	WriteData
Resource	ListService
SubResource	ListUpdater
Message	Could not write data for list

## Activities

### Creating an Activity

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createActivity
Resource	
SubResource	ActivityNamespace
Message	Creating iTRAC Activity <name>

### Deleting an Activity

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteActivity
Resource	
SubResource	ActivityNamespace
Message	Deleting iTRAC Activity <name>

### Saving an Activity

Tag	Value
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Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveActivity
Resource	
SubResource	ActivityNamespace
Message	Saving changes for iTRAC Activity <name>

## Incidents and Workflows

### Add Events To Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	addEventsToIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	User: <name> adding <number> events to incident with ID: <ID>

### Adding Process Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	addProcessDefinition
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	reading iTRAC Template <name>

### Create Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	User: <name> created incident with name: <incidentName>, state: <state>, severity: <severity>, resolution: <resolution>

### Creating Group

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createGroup
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Creating iTRAC Role {0} : description : <description>

### Creating User

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	createUser
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Creating User in WorkFlow: {0} with firstname: <firstName> lastname : <lastName>

### Delete Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	Delete incident with ID: <ID>

### Deleting Group

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteGroup
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Deleting iTRAC Role {0} : description : <description>

### Deleting Process Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteProcessDefinition
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Deleting iTRAC Template <ID>

### Deleting User

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	deleteUser
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Deleting User in WorkFlow: {0} with firstname: <firstName> lastname : <lastName>

### E-mail Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	emailIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	User: <name> emailed incident with name: <incidentName>, state: <state>, severity: <severity>{2}, resolution: <resolution> to email address: <e-mailID>

### Get Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	getIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	Get incident with ID: <ID>

## Save Incident

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveIncident
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	Save incident with name: <name>, state: <state>, severity: <severity>, resolution: <resolution>

## Saving Group

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveGroup
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Saving iTRAC Role {0} : description : <description>

## Saving Process Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveProcessDefinition
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Saving iTRAC Template <name>

## Send Incident To Hp Service Desk

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	sendIncidentToHpServiceDesk
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	User: <name> sent incident with name: <incidentName>, state: <state>, severity: <severity>, resolution: <resolution> to HP Service Desk

## Send Incident To HpOVO

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	sendIncidentToHpOVO
Resource	IncidentService
SubResource	IncidentService
Message	User: <name> sent incident with name: <incidentName>, state: <state>, severity: <severity>, resolution: <resolution> to HP Open View

## Viewing Process Definition

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	getProcessDefinition

Tag	Value
Resource	WorkflowServices
SubResource	WorkflowObjectMgrService
Message	Viewing iTRAC Template <ID>

## General

### Configuration Service

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	saveConfig
Resource	
SubResource	ConfigService
Message	Saving configuration, unit {0} app {1} userId {2}

### Controlled Process is started

Watchdog is run as a service. Its main purpose is to keep Sentinel processes running. If a process dies, Watchdog will automatically restart that process. This event is sent out when a process is started.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	ProcessStart
Resource	Sentinel
SubResource	Process
Message	Process <ProgramName> spawned (command <pID>)

### Controlled Process is stopped

This event is sent out when a process is stopped. The severity is set to 5 if the process was set to respawn (that is, it is not expected to die). The severity is set to 1 if the process was set to run once.

Tag	Value
Severity	1/5
Event Name	ProcessStop
Resource	Sentinel
SubResource	Process
Message	Process <ProgramName> exited (command <exit_code>)

### Importing Auxiliary

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	importAuxiliary
Resource	
SubResource	PluginRepositoryService (Medium)
Message	Import auxiliary file <auxiliaryJarName> into plugin <pluginID>.

## Importing Plugin

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	importPlugin
Resource	
SubResource	PluginRepositoryService
Message	Import plugin <name> (ID <ID>) of type <type>.

## Load Esec Taxonomy To XML

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	loadEsecTaxonomyToXML
Resource	
SubResource	EsecTaxonomyNodeService
Message	Loading Esecurity taxonomy Info to an xml format:

## Process Auto Restart Error

This event is sent out when a process is stopped. The severity is set to 5 if the process was set to respawn (that is, it is not expected to die). The severity is set to 1 if the process was set to run once.

Tag	Value
Severity	1/5
Event Name	ProcessAutoRestartError
Resource	Sentinel
SubResource	Process
Message	Process <{0}> [command: {1}] was automatically restarted more than the allowed {2} automatic restart(s) in {3} min. The process will no longer be automatically restarted. Please check process configuration.

## Process Restarts

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	ProcessRestart
Resource	Sentinel
SubResource	Process
Message	Process <ProgramName> spawned (command <pID>)

## Proxy Client Registration Service (medium)

Tag	Value
Severity	

Tag	Value
Event Name	registerClient
Resource	
SubResource	ProxyClientRegistrationService (medium)
Message	Registering new client

### Restarting Process

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	restartProcess
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Restarting process <name> on Sentinel server <name> UUID {2}

### Restarting Processes

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	restartProcesses
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Restarting <number> processes: <number> name <name> server <name> server ID <ID>;

### Starting Process

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startProcess
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Starting process <name> on Sentinel server <name> UUID {2}

### Starting Processes

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	startProcesses
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Starting <number> processes: <number> name <name> server <name> server ID <ID>;

### Stopping Process

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopProcess
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Stopping process <name> on Sentinel server <name> UUID {2}

## Stopping Processes

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	stopProcesses
Resource	SentinelHealth
SubResource	SentinelHealthService
Message	Stopping <number> processes: <number> name <name> server <name> server ID <ID>;

## Store Esec Taxonomy From XML

Tag	Value
Severity	
Event Name	storeEsecTaxonomyFromXML
Resource	
SubResource	EsecTaxonomyNodeService
Message	Storing Esecurity taxonomy Info :

## Watchdog Process is started

As the Watchdog process starts, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	1
Event Name	ProcessStart
Resource	WatchDog
SubResource	WatchDog
Message	WatchDog Service Starting

## Watchdog Process is stopped

When the Watchdog service is stopped, the following internal event is generated.

Tag	Value
Severity	5
Event Name	ProcessStop
Resource	WatchDog
SubResource	WatchDog
Message	WatchDog Service Ended

## Summary

Event Name	Severity	Source	SubResource	Component
AuthenticationFailed	4	UserAuthentication	Authenticate	Authentication
NoSuchUser	4	UserAuthentication	Authenticate	Authentication
TooManyActiveUsers	4	UserAuthentication	Authenticate	Authentication
LockedUser	4	UserAuthentication	Authenticate	Authentication
UserLoggedOut	1	UserSessionManager	User	User Session
UserLoggedIn	1	UserSessionManager	User	User
UserLoggedIn	1	UserSessionManager	User	User
MoveArchiveFileFailed	3	<i>DAS Name</i>	ArchiveFile	Event
InsertEventsFailed	5	EventSubSystem	Events	Event
OpenArchiveFileFailed	3	<i>DAS Name</i>	ArchiveFile	Event
WriteArchiveFileFailed	3	<i>DAS Name</i>	ArchiveFile	Event
SummaryUpdateFailure	4	Aggregation	Summary	Aggregation
InsertIntoOverflowPartition	5	EventSubSystem	Events	Event
EventInsertionIsBlocked	4	EventSubSystem	Events	Event
EventInsertionResumed	2	EventSubSystem	Events	Event
EventRouterIsRunning	1	AgentManager	EventRouter	EventRouter
EventRouterInitializing	1	AgentManager	EventRouter	EventRouter
EventRouterStopping	2	AgentManager	EventRouter	EventRouter
EventRouterTerminating	2	AgentManager	EventRouter	EventRouter
ErrorNoSuchMap	4	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
LoadingMapFromCache	1	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
RefreshingMapFromServer	1	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
TimeoutRefreshingMapData	4	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
ErrorRefreshingMapData	4	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
LoadedLargeMap	0	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
LongTimeToLoadMap	0	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
TimeoutWaitingForCallback	2	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
ErrorApplyingIncrementalUpdat	4	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping

Event Name	Severity	Source	SubResource	Component
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OutOfSyncDetected	2	MappingService	ReferentialDataObjectMap	Mapping
EngineRunning	1	CorrelationEngine	CorrelationEngine	
EngineStopped	1	CorrelationEngine	CorrelationEngine	
DeploymentStarted	1	CorrelationEngine	Deployment	
DeploymentStopped	1	CorrelationEngine	Deployment	
DeploymentModified	1	CorrelationEngine	Deployment	
ProcessStart	1	WatchDog	Process	
ProcessStop	1/5	WatchDog	Process	
ProcessStart	1	WatchDog	WatchDog	
ProcessStop	5	WatchDog	WatchDog	
PortStart		AgentManager	AgentManager	
PortStop		AgentManager	AgentManager	
PersistentProcessDied	5	AgentManager	AgentManager	
PersistentProcessRestarted	1	AgentManager	AgentManager	
SortDependencies	5	EventService	ObjectAttrInfo	EventService
DbSpaceReachedTimeThrshld	0	Database	Database	Event
DbSpaceReachedPercentThrshld	0	Database	Database	Event
DbSpaceVeryLow	5	Database	Database	Event
RtChartCreated	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views
RtChartJoiningExistingData	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views
RtChartInactiveAndRemoved	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views
RtChartPermanentAndRemoved	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views
RtChartIsNowPermanent	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views
RtChartNotPermanent	1	RealTimeSummaryService	ChartManager	Active Views