

Optimizing and Using Snort Data



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Snort's Output Modules

Allows Snort users to output data using various methods

Customize the formatting of alerts and logs

After preprocessors and detection engines

Types:

- **alert_syslog**
- **alert_fast**
- **alert_full**
- **alert_unixsock**
- **log_tcpdump**
- **csv**
- **unified 2**
- **log null**



Syslog Alert

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output alert_syslog: host=192.168.30.13:3514, log_local3
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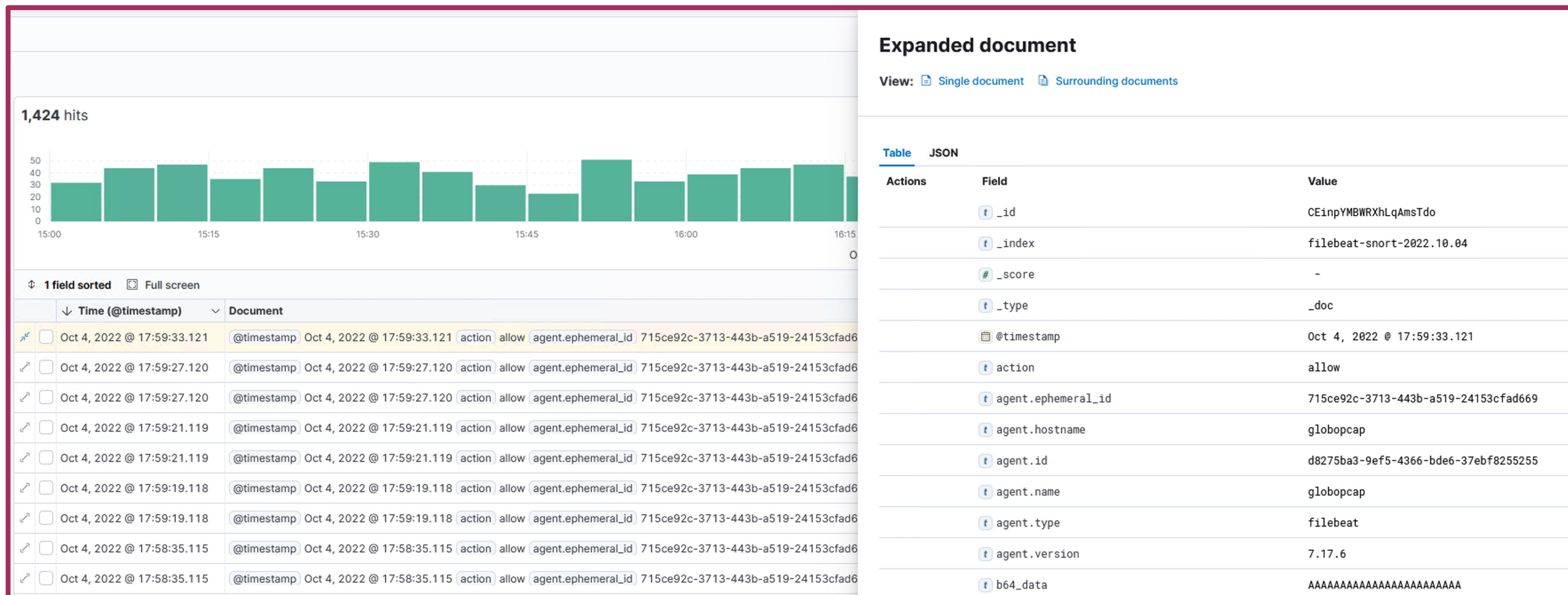
Fast and Full Alerting

alert_fast logs data without
the packet header

alert_full logs data with the
packet header



Searching in Kibana



Controlling the Snort Fields

filebeat-snort-*



Time field: '@timestamp'

View and edit fields in **filebeat-snort-***. Field attributes, such as type and searchability, are based on [field mappings](#) in Elasticsearch.

Fields (77 / 6578) **Scripted fields (0)** **Field filters (0)**

Name ↑	Type	Format	Searchable	Aggregatable	Excluded	
client.ip	ip		•	•		
client.nat.ip	ip		•	•		
destination.ip	ip		•	•		
destination.nat.ip	ip		•	•		
fortinet.firewall.ip	ip		•	•		
google_workspace.admin.email.log_search_filter.recipient.ip	ip		•	•		
google_workspace.admin.email.log_search_filter.sender.ip	ip		•	•		
gsuite.admin.email.log_search_filter.recipient.ip	ip		•	•		
gsuite.admin.email.log_search_filter.sender.ip	ip		•	•		
host.ip	ip		•	•		



Demo



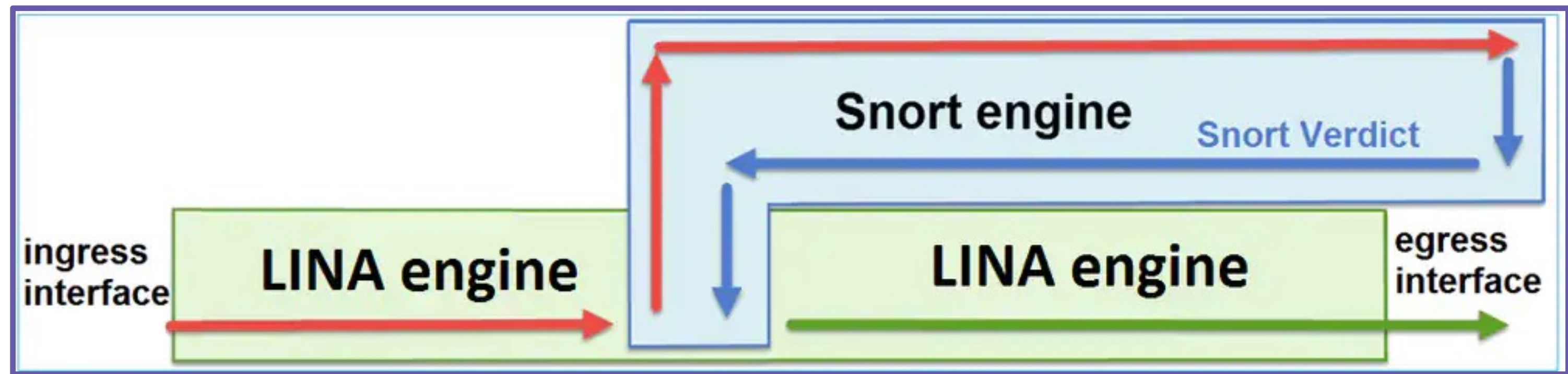
Explore Snort data in Kibana



Cisco Secure Firewall and Snort



Secure Firewall Traffic Flow





Snort Policies

Can create multiple inspection policies

Can control behavior on per-rule basis

Granular rule management

**Secure Firewall intrusion policy
recommendations**



Making Use of Snort Data

Context information helps with workflows

Visibility is necessary for investigations and threat hunting

Integrations with other Cisco Security products provides:

- **Streamlined investigations**
- **Response orchestration**
- **Additional context sharing**



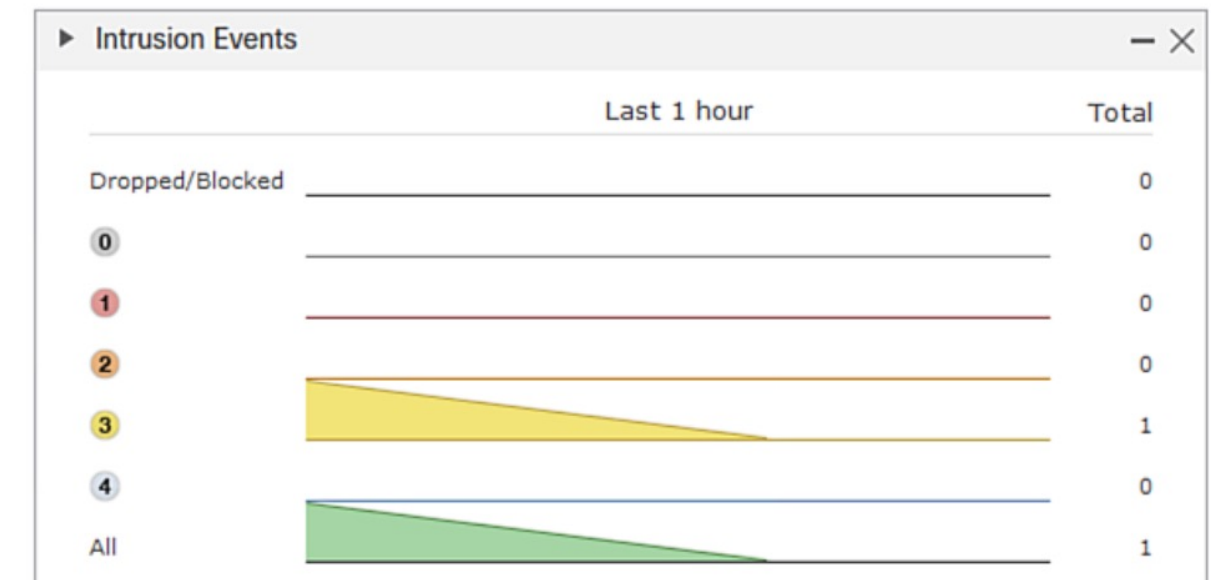
Investigating Events

Prioritizes events

Classifies events

Download relevant packets

Easier investigations



Demo



Explore Snort inspection with Cisco Secure Firewall



Up Next:
Snort Pre-processors

