



# Applied SCAP: Automating Security Compliance and Remediation

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# FIRST, AN SCAP PRIMER

- A family of specifications managed by NIST
- Really a bunch of XML schema
  - which are data formats
  - so not a protocol at all, it turns out
  - openly defined, community developed, and evolving

*... So, what kind of data do these formats organize?*

# FIRST, AN SCAP PRIMER

- Defines standardized formats ... *okay, but why bother?*
- Because you'll get:
  - Standardized inputs (e.g. a compliance baseline, status query)
  - Standardized outputs (results)
- Provides the enterprise *liberty* with regard to product choices
  - Avoids vendor lock-in, enables interoperability
  - Provides common technical position to vendors
  - Federal procurement language *requires* SCAP support in some cases

# SCAP Security Guide

**<https://fedorahosted.org/scap-security-guide/>**

# Contributors Include...





# In A Nutshell, SCAP Security Guide...

*... has had 2,408 commits from 36 contributors,  
representing 224,872 lines of code*

*... took an estimated 43 years of effort (COCOMO model)*

*... has become upstream for all Red Hat STIGs, NIST NVD for JBoss,  
NSA's RHEL SNAC Guides*

# DISA STIG, Version 1, Release 2, Section 1.1:

“The consensus content was developed using an open source project called SCAP Security Guide. The project’s website is <https://fedorahosted.org/scap-security-guide/>.

Except for differences in formatting to accommodate the DISA STIG publishing process, the content of the RHEL6 STIG should mirror the SCAP Security Guide content with only minor divergences as updates from multiple sources work through the consensus process”

# RHEL 5 STIG:

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# RHEL 7 STIG:

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# TECH + INITIATIVES

Native Tooling, Configuration Compliance,  
Evolving Remediation Capabilities

# TOOLS vs CONTENT



# OpenSCAP

# SCAP ACRONYM: XCCDF

- **eXtensible Configuration Checklist Description Format**
  - Human(ish) readable, format for configuration <Rule>s
  - <Rule>s selected to form <Profile>s
    - <refine-value>s

# SCAP ACRONYM: OVAL

- **Open Vulnerability and Assessment Language**
  - Specifies how to get information about system configuration
  - Stores it in a structured, well defined format

# XCCDF PROFILES

- Shipping as of 16-APR-2014:
  - C2S: Commercial baseline derived from CIS v1.2.0 [1]  
(go google “Amazon C2S”...)
  - CS2: RHEL6 baseline example for Intelligence Community
  - CSCF: NRO’s Centralized Super Computer Facility (CSCF) Baseline  
(cross domain controls from CNSSI 1253)
  - STIG: U.S. DoD RHEL6 baseline, produced by DISA FSO

[1] [https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS\\_Red\\_Hat\\_Enterprise\\_Linux\\_6\\_Benchmark\\_v1.2.0.pdf](https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Red_Hat_Enterprise_Linux_6_Benchmark_v1.2.0.pdf)



# REMEDIATION CAPABILITIES

- Bash first

```
<fix system="urn:xccdf:fix:script:sh">
```

```
yum -y install screen
```

```
</fix>
```

# REMEDIATION CAPABILITIES

- Bash first
- Soon(ish), puppet

```
<fix-group id="puppet-clip"  
  system="urn:xccdf:fix:script:puppet xmlns="http://checklists.nist.gov/xccdf/1.1">  
  
  <fix rule="disable_vsftp">class vsftp</fix>  
  <fix rule="package_aide_installed">class aide</fix>  
  
</fix-group>
```

# <result>Error</result>

```
<rule-result idref="xccdf_moc.elpmaxe.www_rule_1"
  time="2013-03-22T19:15:11" weight="1.000000">
```

```
<result>error</result>
```

```
<message severity="info">
```

```
  Fix execution completed and returned: 1
```

```
</message>
```

```
<message severity="info">
```

```
  Loaded plugins: auto-update-debuginfo, langpacks, presto,
  refresh-packagekit
```

```
  You need to be root to perform this command.
```

```
</message>
```

```
</rule-result>
```

# <result>Fixed</result>

```
<rule-result idref="xccdf_moc.elpmaxe.www_rule_1" time="2014-03-22T19:16:03" weight="1.000000">
```

```
  <result>fixed</result>
```

```
  <message severity="info">Fix execution completed and returned: 0</message>
```

```
  <message severity="info">
```

```
    ....
```

```
    Remove 1 Package
```

```
    Installed size: 53 k
```

```
    Downloading Packages:
```

```
    Running Transaction Check
```

```
    Running Transaction Test
```

```
    Transaction Test Succeeded
```

```
    Running Transaction
```

```
      Erasing   : 1:telnet-server-0.17-51.fc16.x86_64 1/1
```

```
      Verifying : 1:telnet-server-0.17-51.fc16.x86_64 1/1
```

```
    Removed:
```

```
      telnet-server.x86_64 1:0.17-51.fc16
```

```
  </message>
```



# REMEDIATION REVIEW

- Bash first
- Soon(ish), puppet
- Reference Šimon Lukašík's blog for a great write-up:  
<http://isimluk.livejournal.com/3573.html>
- Thank you Peter Vrabec & Martin Preisler for the work on OpenSCAP!



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# LIVE DEMO

Patch & vuln. Scanning, configuration baseline scanning,  
Certification & Accreditation Paperwork Generation



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# ROADMAP

Gov't Initiatives, SSG Packaging, Future Profiles

# Government Initiatives

- Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigations (CDM)  
<http://www.dhs.gov/cdm>
- SCAP path forward
- Evaluation + Configuration activities for Certification and Accreditation

# RPM Packaging

- Currently in EPEL, both Fedora and RHEL  
*(thank you, Jan Lieskovsky!)*
- SSG scheduled to ship in RHEL 6.6
  - [https://bugzilla.redhat.com/show\\_bug.cgi?id=1038655](https://bugzilla.redhat.com/show_bug.cgi?id=1038655)
- RHEL 7 GA

# SCAP + Anaconda Integration

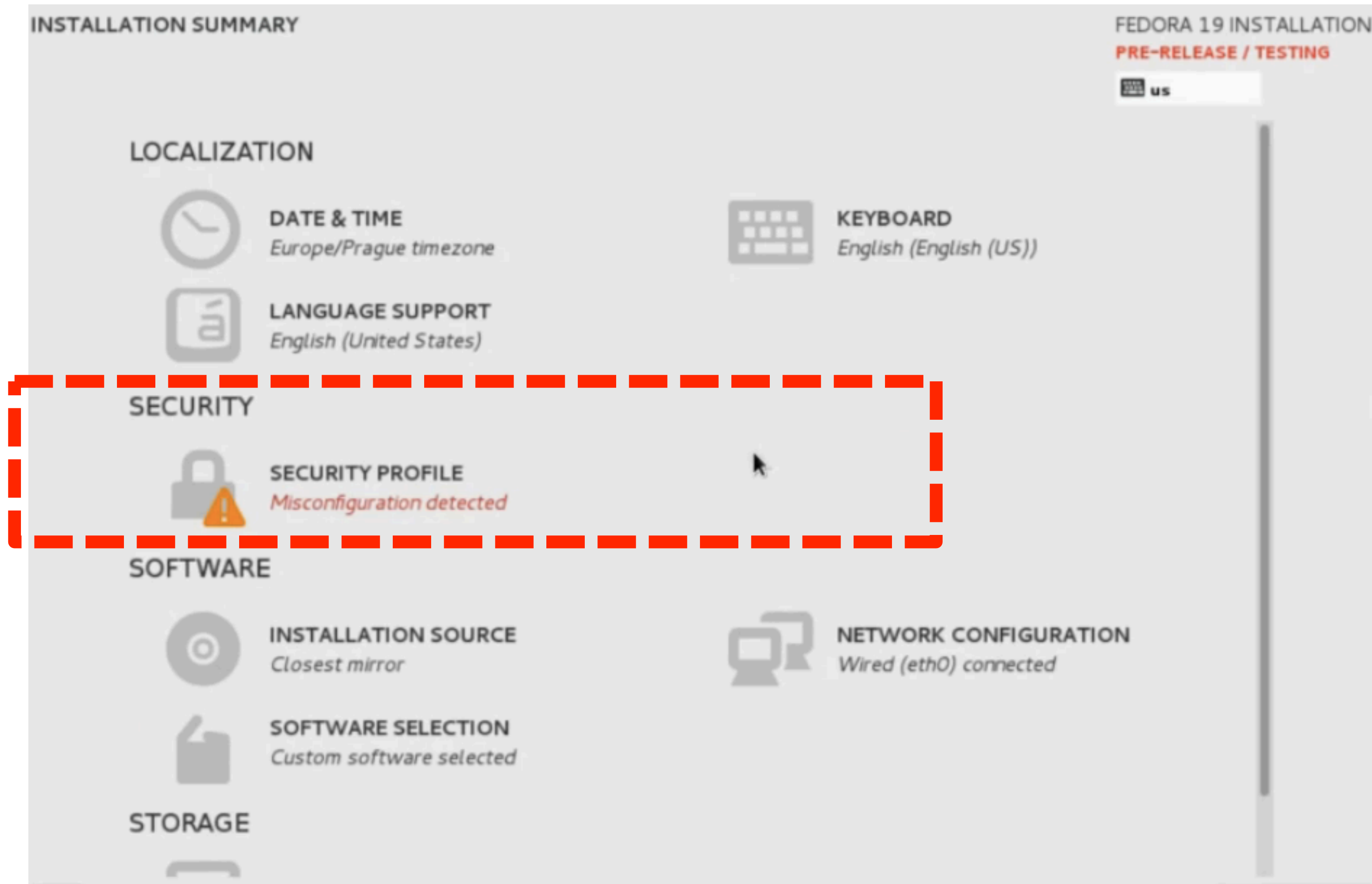
- `<fix>` elements targeting installation process
- Kickstart support allowing specification of SCAP content
- UI screen(s) that provide ways to set values
- Project started as Vratislav Podzimek's masters thesis  
[http://is.muni.cz/th/324874/fi\\_m/?lang=en](http://is.muni.cz/th/324874/fi_m/?lang=en) (thanks, Vratislav!)
- <https://fedorahosted.org/oscap-anaconda-addon/>



# SCAP + Anaconda Integration ( 1 / 3)

```
1 this is a simple kickstart file for testing OSCAP addon's features
2
3 # values saving a lot of clicks in the GUI
4 lang en US.UTF-8
5 keyboard --xlayout=us --vckeymap=us
6 timezone Europe/Prague
7 rootpw aaaaa
8 bootloader --location=mbr
9 clearpart --initlabel --all
10 autopart --type=plain
11
12 %packages
13 vim
14 %end
15
16 %addon org_fedora_oscap
17     content-type = archive
18     content-url = http://192.168.122.1/xccdf_content.zip
19     profile = xccdf_com.stig-rhel6-server
20     xccdf-path = xccdf.xml
21 %end
```

# SCAP + Anaconda Integration ( 2 / 3 )



# SCAP + Anaconda Integration ( 3 / 3 )

SPOKE NAME FEDORA 19 INSTALLATION  
PRE-RELEASE / TESTING

Done us

Data stream:  Checklist:

Choose profile below:

**My testing profile**  
A profile for testing purposes.

**My testing profile2**  
Another profile for testing purposes.

Select profile

Changes that were done or need to be done:

- ✖ /tmp must be on a separate partition or logical volume
- ⚠ root password was too short. a longer one with at least 10 characters will be required
- 💡 package 'iptables' has been added to the list of to be installed packages
- 💡 package 'telnet' has been added to the list of excluded packages

# SCAP Workbench

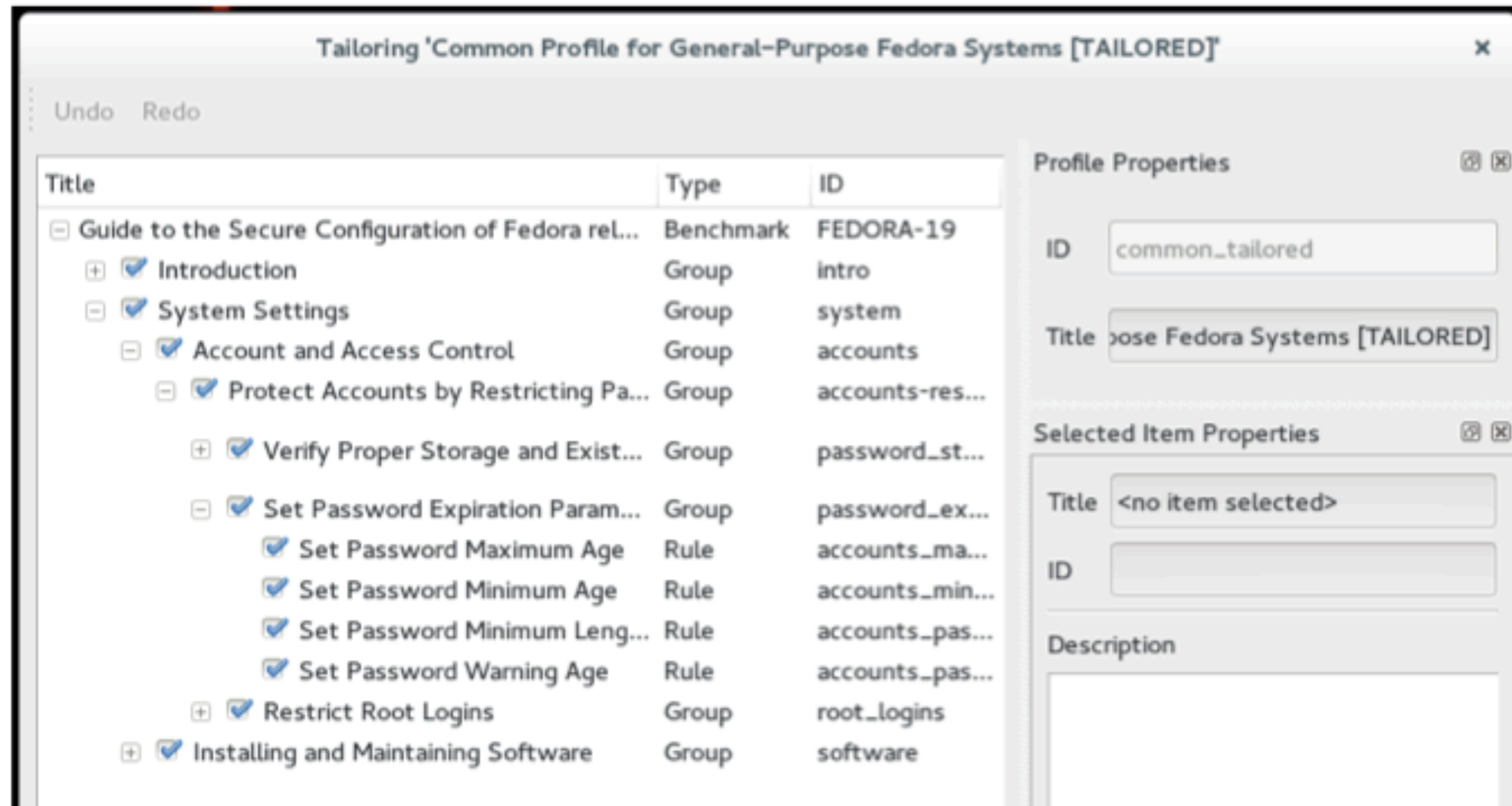
GUI tool that serves as an SCAP scanner and provides tailoring functionality.

## Primary Goals:

- Lower the initial barrier of using SCAP.
- Great for hand-tuning content before enterprise deployment (e.g. via spacewalk/RHN Satellite)

<https://fedorahosted.org/scap-workbench/>

# SCAP Workbench ( 1 / 2 )





# SCAP Workbench ( 2 / 2 )

XCCDF results

Rule Results Summary

pass	fixed	fail	error	not selected	not checked	not applicable	informational	unknown	total
7	0	4	2	0	4	0	0	0	17

Title	Result
<a href="#">Ensure gpgcheck Enabled In Main Yum Configuration</a>	pass
<a href="#">Ensure gpgcheck Enabled For All Yum Package Repositories</a>	pass
<a href="#">Direct root Logins Not Allowed</a>	notchecked
<a href="#">Restrict Virtual Console Root Logins</a>	error
<a href="#">Restrict Serial Port Root Logins</a>	error
<a href="#">Restrict Web Browser Use for Administrative Accounts</a>	notchecked
<a href="#">Ensure that System Accounts Do Not Run a Shell Upon Login</a>	pass
<a href="#">Verify Only Root Has UID 0</a>	pass
<a href="#">Root Path Must Be Vendor Default</a>	notchecked
<a href="#">Prevent Log In to Accounts With Empty Password</a>	fail
<a href="#">Verify All Account Password Hashes are Shadowed</a>	pass
<a href="#">All GIDs referenced in /etc/passwd must be defined in /etc/group</a>	notchecked
<a href="#">Verify No netrc Files Exist</a>	pass
<a href="#">Set Password Minimum Length in login.defs</a>	fail
<a href="#">Set Password Minimum Age</a>	fail
<a href="#">Set Password Maximum Age</a>	fail

Save XCCDF Result

Save ARF

Open HTML report

Save HTML report

Close



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# SUPPLEMENTAL

Helpful Links

# Helpful Links (to community projects)

- SCAP Security Guide: <https://fedorahosted.org/scap-security-guide/>
- OpenSCAP: <http://open-scap.org/>
- OSCAP Anaconda: <https://fedorahosted.org/oscap-anaconda-addon/>
- SCAP Workbench: <https://fedorahosted.org/scap-workbench/>

# Helpful Links (to government baselines)

- DISA's Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGs)  
<http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/>
- NIST National Checklist Program Repository  
<http://web.nvd.nist.gov/view/ncp/repository>
- NSA Security Configuration Guides  
[http://www.nsa.gov/ia/mitigation\\_guidance/security\\_configuration\\_guides/](http://www.nsa.gov/ia/mitigation_guidance/security_configuration_guides/)

# Helpful Links (to communities of interest)

- Red Hat's Government Security User Group (gov-sec)  
<http://www.redhat.com/mailman/listinfo/gov-sec>
- Military Open Source Software (Mil-OSS)  
<http://mil-oss.org/>

# Replicating the Demo

- *Assumes RHEL 6 and EPEL already enabled!*
- *Assumes httpd installed, DocumentRoot /var/www/html/*
- *My IP was 10.211.55.3. Change as appropriate.*
- *This is meant to replicate the demo, not fully explain it.  
Come to Summit next year!*



# Step 1: Install

```
$ yum install scap-security-guide
```

```
$ rpm -ql scap-security-guide
```

```
...
```

```
/usr/share/doc/scap-security-guide-0.1/rhel6-guide.html
```

```
...
```

```
/usr/share/man/en/man8/scap-security-guide.8.gz
```

```
...
```

```
/usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content
```

```
...
```

```
/usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content/ssg-rhel6-ds.xml
```

# Step 2: Review Prose Guide

```
$ cp /usr/share/doc/scap-security-guide-0.1/*.html /var/www/html
```

```
$ firefox http://10.211.55.3/rhel6-guide.html
```

- Review “Check Procedure,” “Security Identifiers,” “References”

## **2.2.3.4 Ensure No World-Writable Files Exist**

It is generally a good idea to remove global (other) write access to a file when it is discovered. However, check with documentation for specific applications before making changes. Also, monitor for recurring world-writable files, as these may be symptoms of a misconfigured application or user account.

Data in world-writable files can be modified by any user on the system. In almost all circumstances, files can be configured using a combination of user and group permissions to support whatever legitimate access is needed without the risk caused by world-writable files.

### **▼ Check Procedure**

To find world-writable files, run the following command:

```
# find / -xdev -type f -perm -002
```

**Security Identifiers:** CCE-26910-0

**References:** [NIST AC-6](#)

# Step 3: JBoss, too!

\$ firefox http://10.211.55.3/JBossEAP5\_Guide.html



## Security Benchmark JBoss Enterprise Application Platform 5.x

Status: accepted Date: 2012-07-06

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# Step 4: XCCDF vs DATASTREAMS

```
$ grep "<Profile" /usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content/ssg-rhel6-ds.xml  
<Profile id="xccdf_org.ssgproject.content_profile_CS2">  
<Profile id="xccdf_org.ssgproject.content_profile_stig-rhel6-server-upstream">
```

```
$ grep "<Profile" /usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content/ssg-rhel6-xccdf.xml  
<Profile id="CS2">  
<Profile id="stig-rhel6-server-upstream">
```

# Step 5: Run a scan!

```
$ sudo oscap xccdf eval --profile C2S \  
  --cpe /usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content/ssg-rhel6-cpe-dictionary.xml \  
  --report /var/www/html/summit-report.html \  
  --results /var/www/html/summit-results.xml \  
  /usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content/ssg-rhel6-xccdf.xml
```

## Console Output:

- Pass
- Fail
- “notchecked”: (a) not applicable; (b) no OVAL associated  
... and unclear which reason!

# Step 6: HTML Results

```
$ firefox /var/www/html/summit-report.html
```



# Step 6: HTML Results

XCCDF Test Result

Introduction

Test Result

Result ID	Profile	Start time	End time	Benchmark	Benchmark version
xccdf_org.open-scap_testresult_C2S	C2S	2014-04-16 05:38	2014-04-16 05:40	embedded	0.9

Target info

Targets

Addresses

Platforms

- SSG-RHEL6

- 127.0.0.1
- 10.211.55.3

- cpe:/o:redhat:enterprise\_linux:6
- cpe:/o:redhat:enterprise\_linux:6::client

Score

system	score	max	%	bar
urn:xccdf:scoring:default	61.88	100.00	61.88%	<div></div>

Results overview

Rule Results Summary

pass	fixed	fail	error	not selected	not checked	not applicable	informational	unknown	total
89	0	72	0	219	14	0	0	2	396

Title	Result
<a href="#">Ensure /tmp Located On Separate Partition</a>	fail
<a href="#">Ensure /var Located On Separate Partition</a>	fail
<a href="#">Ensure /var/log Located On Separate Partition</a>	fail
<a href="#">Ensure /var/log/audit Located On Separate Partition</a>	fail
<a href="#">Ensure /home Located On Separate Partition</a>	fail
<a href="#">Ensure Red Hat GPG Key Installed</a>	pass



# Step 6: HTML Results

## Result for Verify that All World-Writable Directories Have Sticky Bits Set

Result: **fail**

Rule ID: `sticky_world_writable_dirs`

Time: 2014-04-16 05:39

Severity: **low**

When the so-called 'sticky bit' is set on a directory, only the owner of a given file may remove that file from the directory. Without the sticky bit, any user with write access to a directory may remove any file in the directory. Setting the sticky bit prevents users from removing each other's files. In cases where there is no reason for a directory to be world-writable, a better solution is to remove that permission rather than to set the sticky bit. However, if a directory is used by a particular application, consult that application's documentation instead of blindly changing modes.

To set the sticky bit on a world-writable directory *DIR*, run the following command:

```
# chmod +t DIR
```

Failing to set the sticky bit on public directories allows unauthorized users to delete files in the directory structure.

The only authorized public directories are those temporary directories supplied with the system, or those designed to be temporary file repositories. The setting is normally reserved for directories used by the system, by users for temporary file storage (such as `/tmp`), and for directories requiring global read/write access.

### Security identifiers

- CCE-26840-9

### Remediation script

```
df --local -P | awk {'if (NR!=1) print $6'} \
| xargs -I '{}' find '{}' -xdev -type d \
\{ -perm -0002 -a ! -perm -1000 \} 2>/dev/null \
| xargs chmod a+t
```

[results overview](#)

# Step 7: XML Results

```
$ firefox /var/www/html/summit-results.xml
```

```
/CCE-27024-9
```

```
<rule-result idref="package_aide_installed" time="2014-04-16T05:39:00" severity="medium" weight="1.000000">
  <result>fail</result>
  <ident system="http://cce.mitre.org">CCE-27024-9</ident>
  <check system="http://oval.mitre.org/XMLSchema/oval-definitions-5">
    <check-content-ref name="oval:ssg:def:244" href="ssg-rhel6-oval.xml"/>
  </check>
</rule-result>
```



# Step 8: Remediation

/CCE-27024-9 (← type that again)

note the <fix> tag!

```
<rationale xmlns:xhtml="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en-US">
    The AIDE package must be installed if it is to be available for integrity checking.
</rationale>
<ident system="http://cce.mitre.org">CCE-27024-9</ident>
<fix xmlns:xhtml="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" system="urn:xccdf:fix:script:sh">
    yum -y install aide
</fix>
<check system="http://oval.mitre.org/XMLSchema/oval-definitions-5">
    <check-content-ref name="oval:ssg:def:244" href="ssg-rhel6-oval.xml"/>
</check>
```

# Step 8: Remediation

```
$ oscap xccdf generate fix --result-id xccdf_org.open-scap_testresult_C2S \
/var/www/html/submit-results.xml \
> /var/www/html/submit-script.sh.txt
```

```
#!/bin/bash
# OpenSCAP fix generator output for benchmark: Guide to the Secure Configuration of Red Hat
Enterprise Linux 6

# Generating fixes for all failed rules in test result 'xccdf_org.open-scap_testresult_C2S'.

# XCCDF rule: disable_prelink
# CCE-27221-1
#
# Disable prelinking altogether
#
if grep -q ^PRELINKING /etc/sysconfig/prelink
then
    sed -i 's/PRELINKING.*/PRELINKING=no/g' /etc/sysconfig/prelink
else
    echo -e "\n# Set PRELINKING=no per security requirements" >> /etc/sysconfig/prelink
    echo "PRELINKING=no" >> /etc/sysconfig/prelink
fi

#
# Undo previous prelink changes to binaries
#
/usr/sbin/prelink -ua
```