

Table S1: Application of CTI Reference Model on Case Study 1.

Data Sources Demarcation							
Data Sources	Raw Data Source	-				Supplier A's CTI system should select private or public CTI products sources.	
	CTI Products Source	CTI products of public or private sources					
Reference Architecture Construction							
Layer	Determine Functions' Components				Determine Layer Components		
	Function	Req.	Component	Remarks	Component	Remarks	
Selection	CTI Products Selection	Yes	CTI products source selection	Supplier A's CTI system should select CTI products sources.			
	Traceability	Yes	Traceability	The under-design system should ensure that it gathers only CTI products from selected sources.			
	Trustworthiness	Yes	Trustworthiness				
	Raw Data Selection	No	-				
Surveillance	Stealthiness	No	-				
	Automatic Data Collection	Yes	Automatic Collection	The system should provide automatic or manual collection capabilities for both types of CTI sources.			
	Manual Data Collection	Yes	Manual Collection				
	Large Volume of Data Collection	No	-	The solution is expected to handle only normal volumes of data.			
Processing	Data Aggregation	Yes	Aggregation	Alpha's system requires a component that aggregates the different types of collected data.			
	Data Enrichment	No	-				
Analytics	Manual Analysis	No	-				
	Attack Modeling	No	-				
Presentation	Knowledge Discovery	No	-		Transformation	The CTI system should transform the results to no CTI products	
	Visualization	No	-				
	Anonymization	No	-	The case study does not require anonymization of CTI products.			
Communication	CTI Products Exchange	Yes	Internal Exchange	Supplier A's CTI system should distribute the non CTI products internally to its user community		Reporting According to the CTI system should support multiple types of reporting formats (e.g., bundles of CTI products or written reports).	
	Privacy Protection	No	-				
Quality Control	Feedback Collection	No	-				
	Quality Metrics Calculation	No	-				
	CTI Products Evaluation	No	-				
Collaboration	CTI Operations Planning	No	-				
	Analysts Collaboration	No	-				

Table S2: Application of CTI Reference Model on Case Study 2.

Data Sources Demarcation						
Data Sources	Raw Data Source	-			Supplier A's CTI system should select private or public CTI products sources.	
	CTI Products Source	CTI products of public or private sources				
Reference Architecture Construction						
Layer	Determine Functions' Components				Determine Layer Components	
	Function	Req.	Component	Remarks	Component	Remarks
Selection	CTI Products Selection	Yes	CTI products source selection	Supplier A's CTI system should select CTI products sources.		
	Traceability	Yes	Traceability	The under-design system should ensure that it gathers only CTI products from selected sources.		
Surveillance	Trustworthiness	Yes	Trustworthiness			
	Raw Data Selection	No	-			
	Stealthiness	No	-			
	Automatic Data Collection	Yes	Automatic Collection	The system should provide automatic or manual collection capabilities for both types of CTI sources.		
	Manual Data Collection	Yes	Manual Collection			
Processing	Large Volume of Data Collection	No	-	The solution is expected to handle only normal volumes of data.		
	Data Aggregation	Yes	Aggregation	Alpha's system requires a component that aggregates the different types of collected data.		
Analytics	Data Enrichment	No	-			
	Manual Analysis	No	-			
Presentation	Attack Modeling	No	-			
	Knowledge Discovery	No	-			
	Visualization	No	-		Transformation	The CTI system should transform the results to no CTI products
Communication	Anonymization	No	-	The case study does not require anonymization of CTI products.	Reporting	According to the CTI system should support multiple types of reporting formats (e.g., bundles of CTI products or written reports).
	CTI Products Exchange	Yes	Internal Exchange	Supplier A's CTI system should distribute the non CTI products internally to its user community		
Quality Control	Privacy Protection	No	-			
	Feedback Collection	No	-			
Collaboration	Quality Metrics Calculation	No	-			
	CTI Products Evaluation	No	-			
	CTI Operations Planning	No	-			
	Analysts Collaboration	No	-			

Table S3: Application of CTI Reference Model on Case Study 3.

Data Sources Demarcation						
Data Sources	Raw Data Source		Darknet		Alpha's CTI system should select CTI sources with either CTI products or raw data.	
	CTI Products Source		CTI products of the Boston Children's Hospital security team.			
Reference Architecture Construction						
Layer	Determine Functions' Components				Determine Layer Components	
	Function	Req	Component	Remarks	Component	Remarks
Selection	CTI Products Selection	Yes	CTI products source selection	Alpha's CTI system should select CTI products sources.	Selection Control Component	It controls the two selection components for the analysts to select among different sources.
	Traceability	Yes	Traceability	The under-design system should ensure that it gathers only CTI products from selected sources, such as the Boston Hospital's security team.		
	Trustworthiness	Yes	Trustworthiness	Alpha's CTI system should select CTI raw data sources.		
	Raw Data Selection	Yes	Raw data source selection	Alpha's CTI system should select CTI raw data sources.		
Surveillance	Stealthiness	Yes	Anonymity	Darknet's investigation using the real identity of Alpha's security team may further expose Hospital Alpha to potential attacker.		The system should provide automatic or manual collection capabilities for both types of CTI sources.
	Automatic Data Collection	Yes	Automatic Collection	The system should provide automatic or manual collection capabilities for both types of CTI sources.		
	Manual Data Collection	Yes	Manual Collection			
	Large Volume of Data Collection	No		The solution is expected to handle only normal volumes of data.		
Processing	Data Aggregation	Yes	Aggregation	Alpha's system requires a component that aggregates the different types of collected data.	Pre-processing	The system should store the collected data in this layer, but the data should be normalized and correlated before storage.
	Data Enrichment	Yes	Enrichment	A component belonging to this layer should connect the results of the analytics layer with the stored data.		
Analytics	Manual Analysis	Yes	Manual analysis		Results Collection	The CTI system should gather the produced analysis results by the two previous components and forwards them either to the enrichment component of the previous layer or to the next layer.
	Attack Modeling	Yes	Attack Modeling	The CTI system should offer structured analysis capability directing the analysis by following the attack's steps.		
	Knowledge Discovery	Yes	Knowledge discovery	CTI system should discover knowledge in information from the infrastructure of Hospital Alpha.		
Presentation	Visualization	Yes	Visualization	Alpha's CTI system should visualize the analytics layer results to the analysts.	Transformation Reporting	The CTI system should transform the results to CTI products.
	Anonymization	Yes	Anonymization	The case study does not require anonymization, however the anonymization of information included should be ensured when delivered outside Hospital Alpha.		
Communication	CTI Products Exchange	Yes	Internal Exchange	Alpha's CTI system should distribute the CTI products, either internally to Alpha's security systems or externally to potential members of a CTI community that Hospital Alpha participates.		According to the CTI system should support multiple types of reporting formats (e.g., bundles of CTI products or written reports).
			External Exchange			
	Privacy Protection	Yes	Privacy Protection	CTI system should process the CTI products before their external distribution to ensure privacy.		
Quality Control	Feedback Collection	Yes	Feedback Collection	CTI system should gather quality measurements for CTI products distributed internally or externally.		
	Quality Metrics Calculation	Yes	Metrics Estimation	CTI system should estimate the quality metrics of the quality characteristics (e.g., relevance, timeliness).		
	CTI Products Evaluation	Yes	Evaluation	CTI System should evaluate automatically or manually the overall quality and updates stored CTI Products.		
Collaboration	CTI Operations Planning	Yes	Operations	The Alpha's CTI system architecture should coordinate the analysts' tasks and how all the other layers' components cooperates.		
	Analysts Collaboration	Yes	Analysts Collaboration	CTI systems should establish a communication channel for analysts within or outside of Hospital Alpha.		

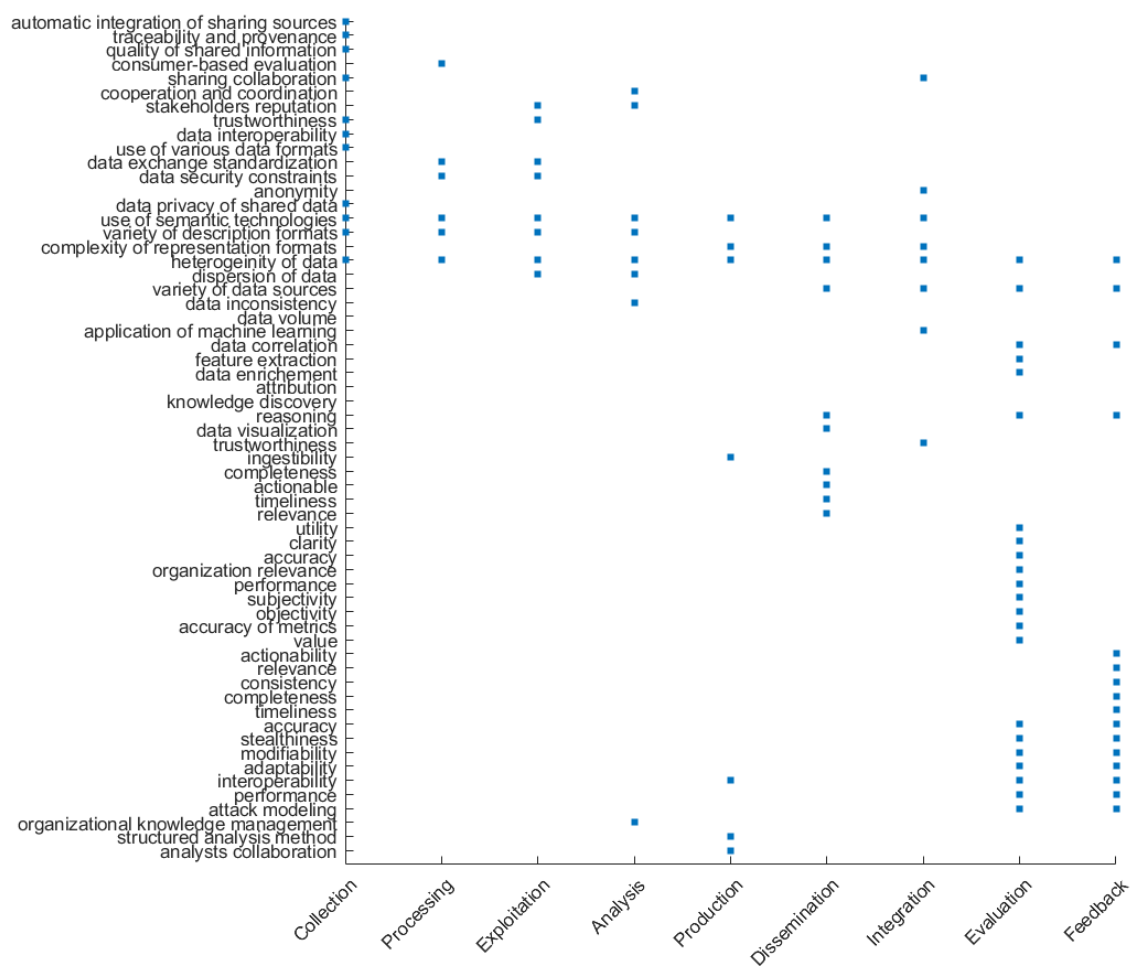


Figure S1: CTI complexity factors concerning CTI frame of reference.