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A Smart City Infrastructure ontology for threats, cybercrime, and digital forensic investigation

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Cybercrime and the market for cyber-related compromises are becoming attractive revenue sources for statesponsored actors, cybercriminals and technical individuals affected by financial hardships. Cyber-attacks on future technological advancements such as smart infrastructure (SCI) will introduce new challenges to digital forensic investigators and law enforcement agencies. These challenges include a lack of standardised SCI contexts, information sharing, collaboration and tool interoperability.

We propose the Smart City Ontological Paradigm Expression (SCOPE), an expansion profile of Unified Cyber Ontology (UCO) and Cyber-investigation Analysis Standard Expression (CASE) that implements SCI threat models, digital forensic evidence, and MITRE attack techniques, patterns and classifications. SCOPE is technology-agnostic while adhering to several ISO standards. Additionally, it contains enough granularity to allow users to pinpoint key information while ensuring it can capture abstract definitions covering emerging technologies. We showcase



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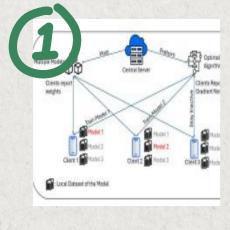
how SCOPE could present complex data such as SCI-specific threats, cybercrime, investigation data and incident handling workflows via an incident scenario modelled after publicly reported real-world incidents attributed to Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) groups.





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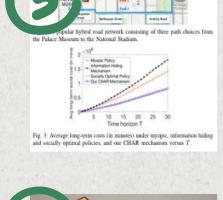
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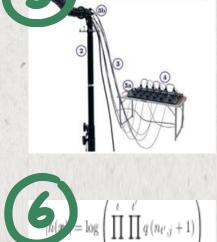
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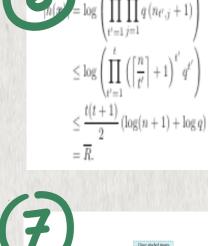


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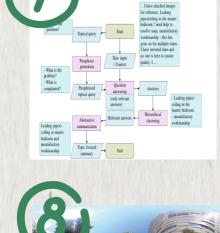
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