Visual Analytics for Security

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Abstract
The origins of the visual analytics domain lie in the intersection between the needs and processes of intelligence analysts and the flourishing new visualization techniques. i2 have been delivering visual analysis tools for the law enforcement and intelligence community for the last 20 years, and we have been watching the birth of visual analytics with great interest. In this talk, Joe will give his perspective on the following questions:

• What are the unique characteristics of this domain?
• To what extent is the intelligence community using visual analytic techniques today?
• Where do these techniques fit in terms of their processes?
• What benefits are they getting?
• What problems remain unsolved?
• What are the main barriers to the adoption of new techniques?

Biographical Note
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