

**Open Checklist
Interactive Language**



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OCIL in a Nutshell



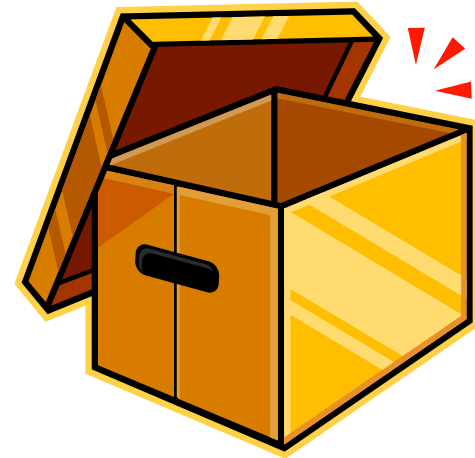
BUILD



EVALUATE



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QUESTIONNAIRE FRAMEWORK



SCAP 1.0 Languages

■ XCCDF

- e**X**tensible **C**onfiguration **C**hecklist **D**escription **F**ormat
- A specification for writing security checklists, benchmarks, and other related documents.

■ OVAL

- **O**pen **V**ulnerability and **A**ssessment **L**anguage
- A specification language for machine-readable rules to check a state of the system.



SCAP 1.0: XCCDF

XCCDF DOC

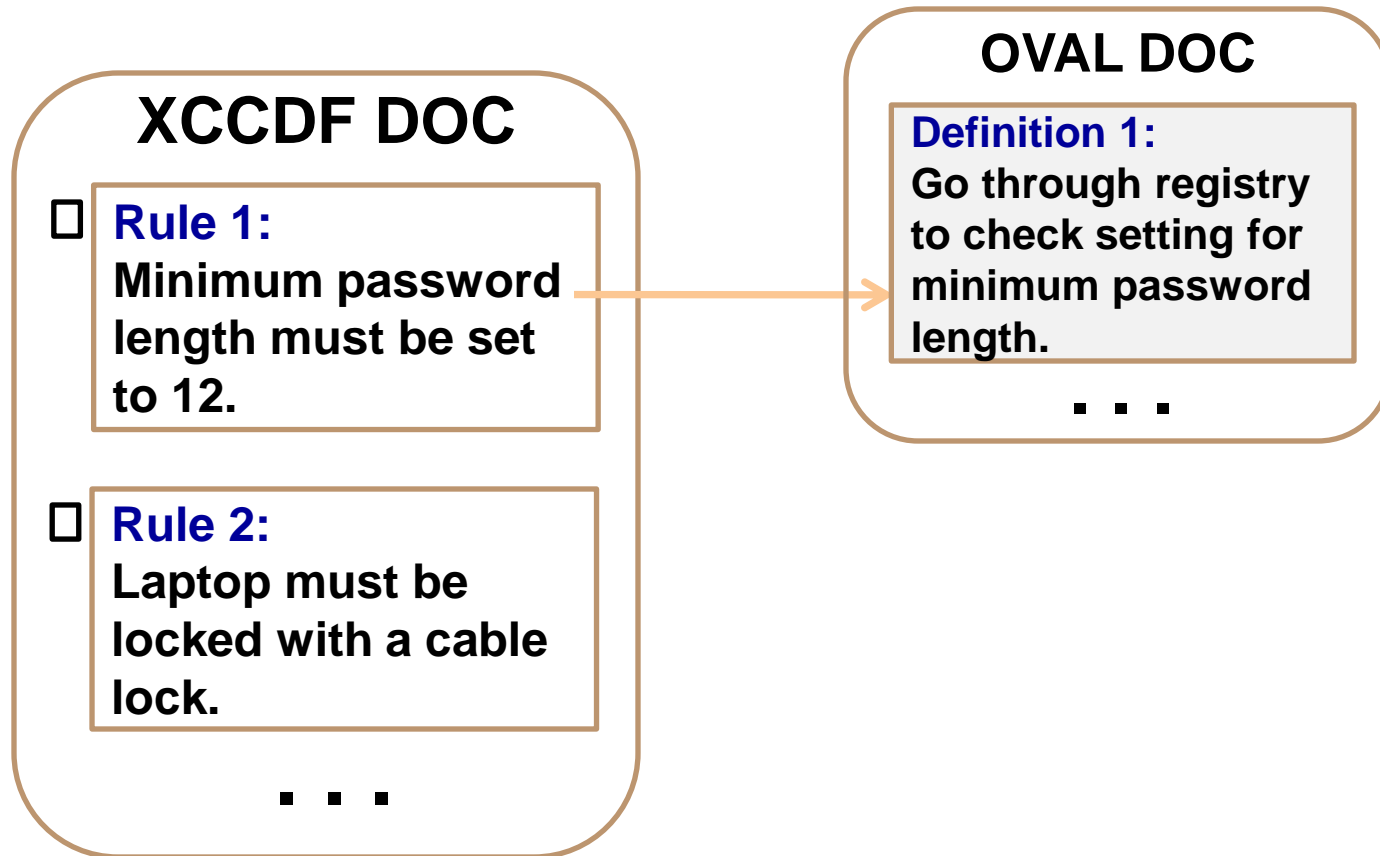
□ **Rule 1:**
Minimum password length must be set to 12.

□ **Rule 2:**
Laptop must be locked with a cable lock.

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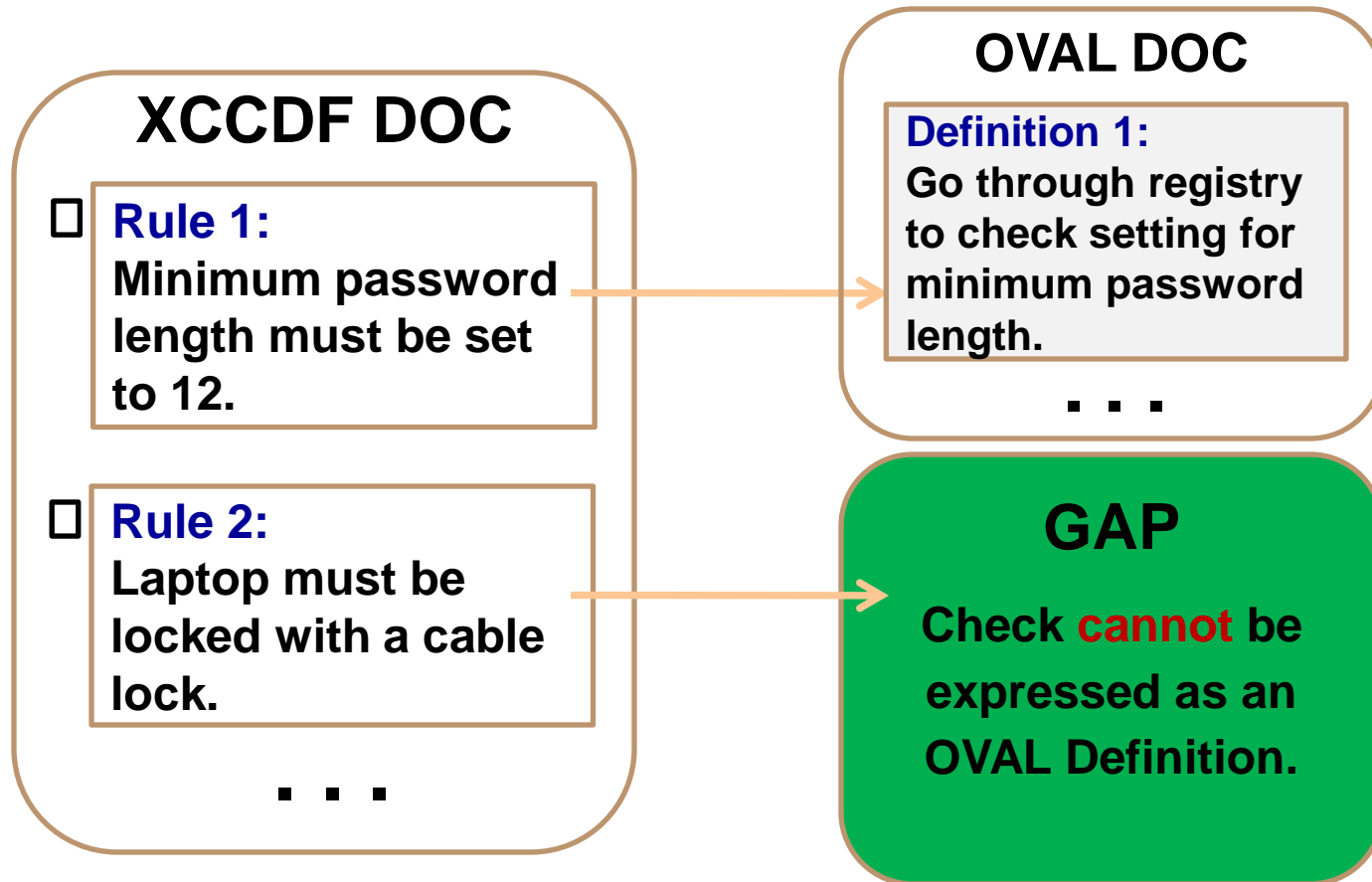


SCAP 1.0: XCCDF and OVAL



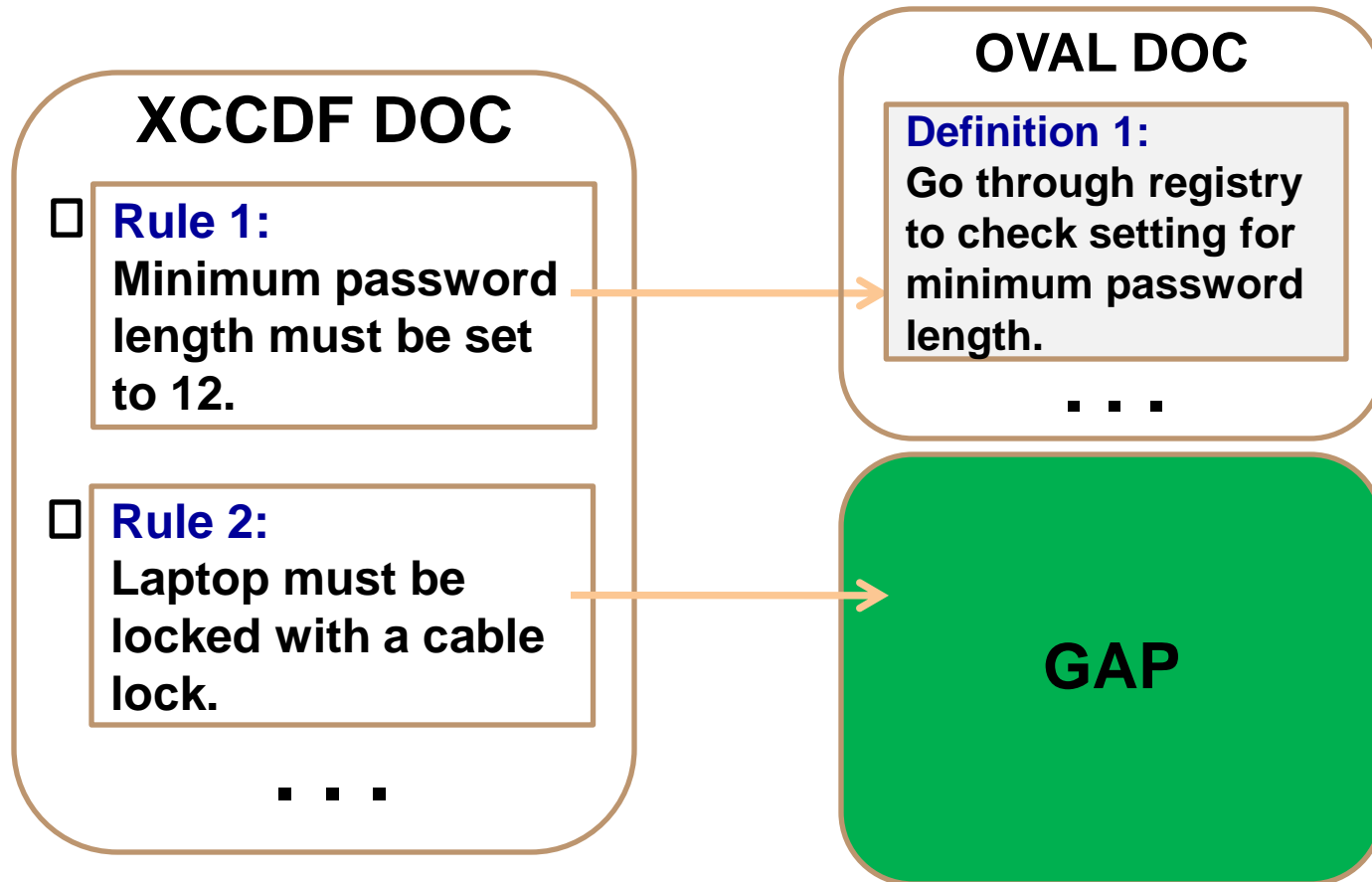
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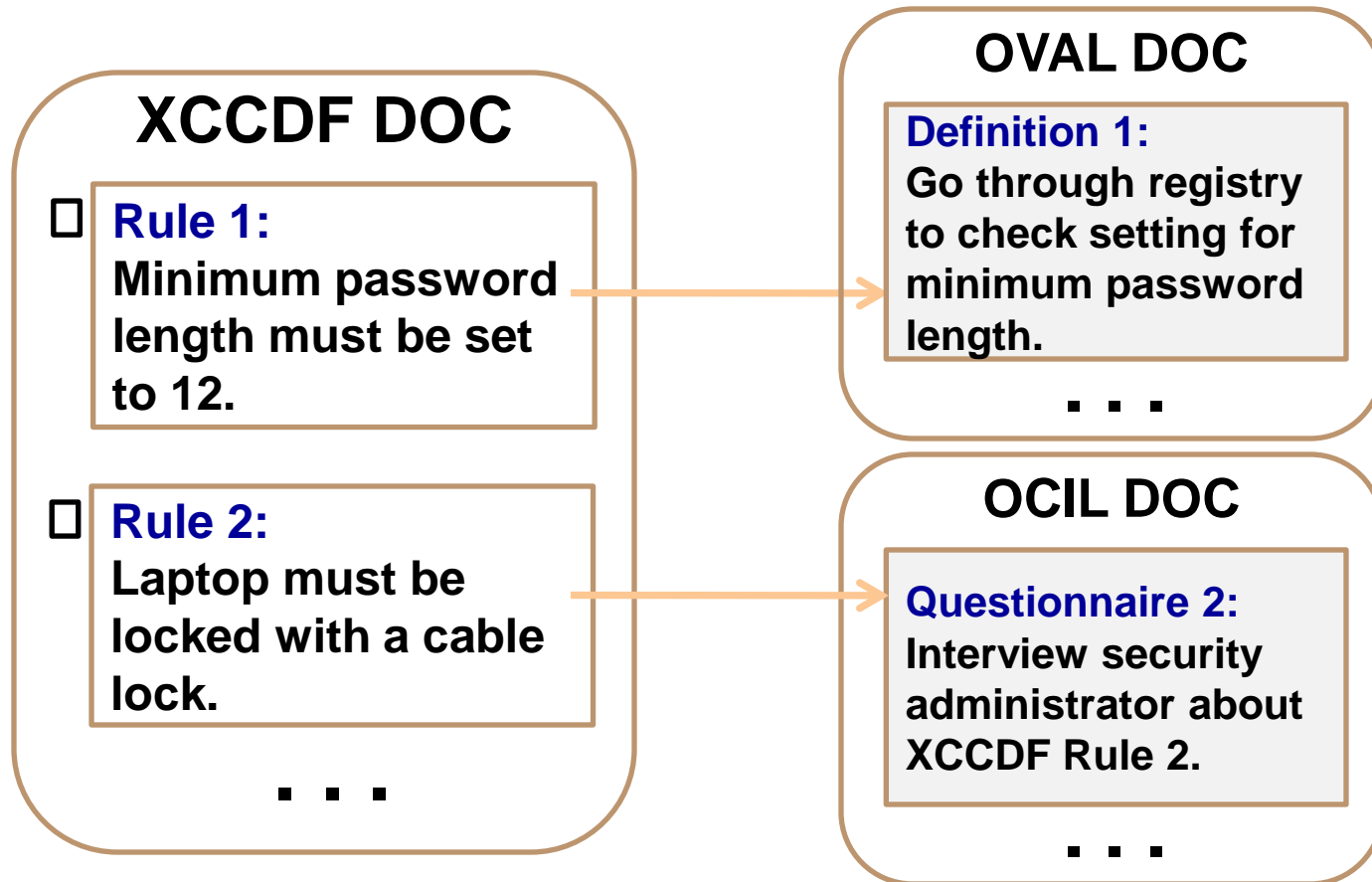


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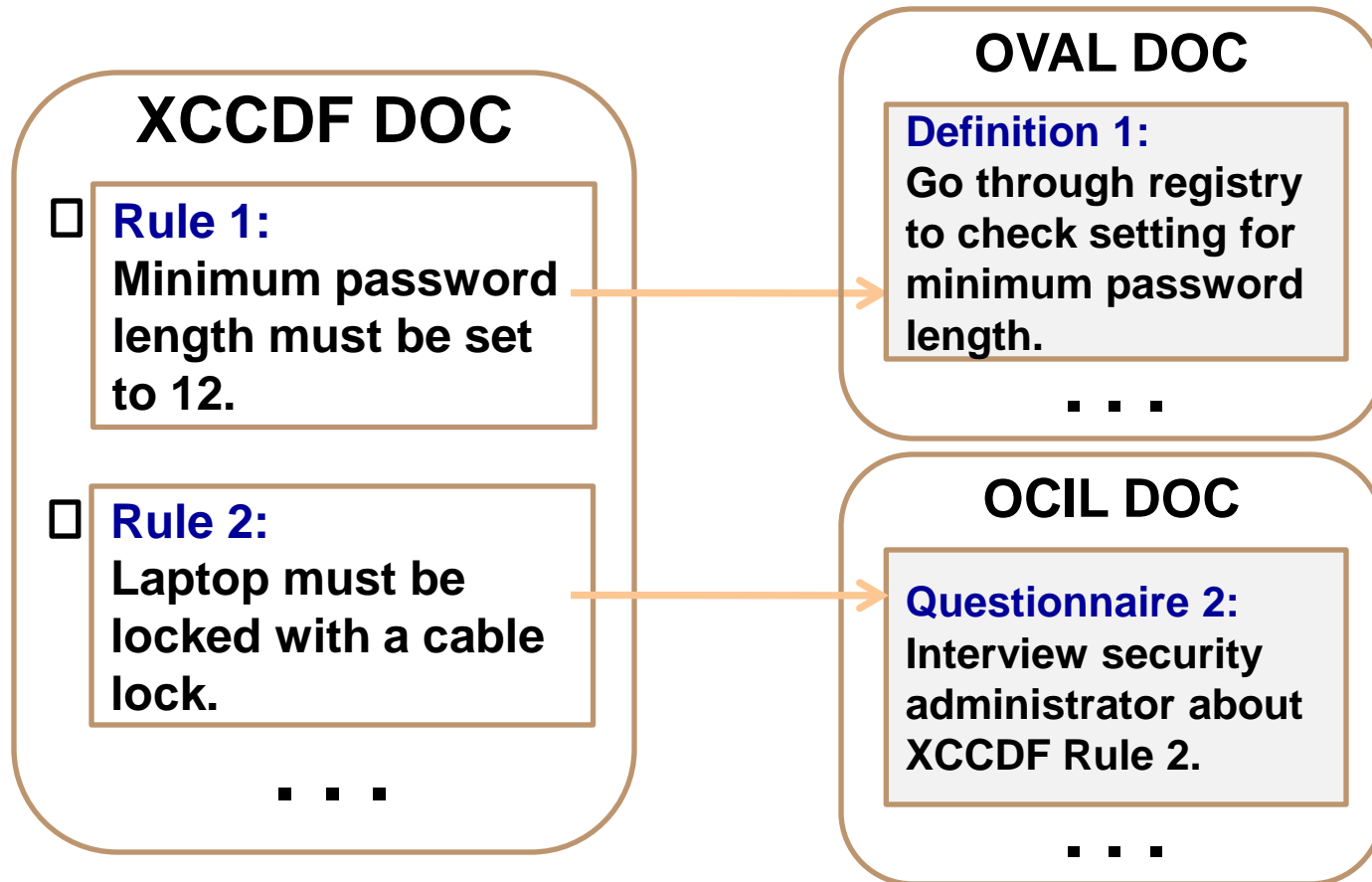


Can we use OCIL? YES



OCIL can be used to express manual security checks.

SCAP 1.1: XCCDF, OVAL, and OCIL



OVAL can be used to express automated checks.

OCIL can be used to express manual security checks.



Benefits of Using OCIL

- **Provides a common language for manual security checks**
 - Consistency in check evaluation
 - Interoperability between tools
 - Ability to share documents between authors
- **Enables the ability to audit evaluation results and inspect user responses**

Core OCIL Objects



Questionnaire

- Unique Id
- Description
- Set of Actions



Test Action

- Unique Id
- Reference to a Question
- When Clauses



Question

- Unique Id
- Text



OCIL Question Types

1. What type of computer is it?

- a) Laptop
- b) Desktop
- c) Workstation
- d) Server
- e) Not Listed

-----> **choice_question**

2. Who is responsible for the computer? *Answer must be in the following format: last name, first name (e.g. Doe, Jane).*

-----> **string_question**

3. What is the computer's barcode number?

-----> **numeric_question**

4. Is the laptop secured with a cable lock?

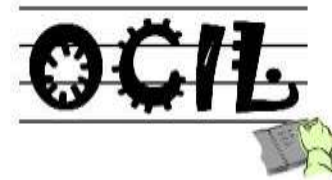
-----> **boolean_question**



OCIL Question Test Action Types

- Boolean Question Test Action
- Choice Question Test Action
- Numeric Question Test Action
- String Question Test Action

****A Question Test Action Type provides evaluation instructions for a particular Question Type.****



Example 1: Questionnaire with A Single Question

Questionnaire 1

`ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:1`

Questionnaire for Laptop Security

actions: `ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4`

Test Action 4

`ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4`

`ocil:mitre.org:question:4`

when true/yes: **PASS**

when false/no: **FAIL**

**Boolean
Test Action**

Question 4

`ocil:mitre.org:question:4`

Is the laptop secured
with a cable lock?

**Boolean
Question**

Yes or No ?



Example 2: Questionnaire with Multiple Questions



Questionnaire 1

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:1](#)

Questionnaire for Laptop Security

actions: [ocil:mitre.org:testaction:3](#)

Test Action 3

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:3](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:question:3](#)

when choice is b:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4](#)

when choice is a, c, d:

NOT APPLICABLE

**Choice
Test Action**

Question 3

[ocil:mitre.org:question:3](#)

Select the option that best describes the system:

- a) Desktop
- b) Laptop
- c) Workstation
- d) Not Listed

**Choice
Question**

Test Action 4

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:question:4](#)

when true/yes: **PASS**

when false/no: **FAIL**

Question 4

[ocil:mitre.org:question:4](#)

Is the laptop secured with a cable lock?





Example 3: Questionnaire with Multiple Paths

Questionnaire 1

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:1](#)

Questionnaire for Laptop Security

actions: [ocil:mitre.org:testaction:3](#)

Test Action 3

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:3](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:question:3](#)

when choice is a:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:5](#)

when choice is b:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4](#)

when choice is c:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:7](#)

when choice is d:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:8](#)

Question 3

[ocil:mitre.org:question:3](#)

Select the option that best describes the system:

- a) Desktop
- b) Laptop
- c) Workstation
- d) Not Listed

Multiple
Paths





Example 4: Questionnaire with Multiple Branches

Questionnaire 1

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:1](#)

Questionnaire for Laptop Security
actions:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:1](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:2](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:3](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:4](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:5](#)

**Multiple
Branches**

Logical Operations
AND / OR / NOT



Example 5: Child Questionnaires

Questionnaire 1

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:1](#)

Questionnaire for Laptop Security

actions:

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:1](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:2](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:2](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:3](#)

OR

Test Action 1

[ocil:mitre.org:testaction:2](#)

[ocil:mitre.org:question:1](#)

when true/yes: PASS

when false/no: [ocil:mitre.org:questionnaire:2](#)



Advance Features

- Including Metadata
- Controlling Evaluation
- Including Artifacts
- Adding Instructions
- Setting Variables
- Recording Evaluation



Summary of Features

■ BASICS:

- Building Simple Questionnaires (e.g. A Single Path)
- Building Complex Questionnaires
 - Multiple Paths
 - Multiple Branches
 - Logical Operations
 - Child Questionnaires

■ ADVANCE:

- Including Metadata
- Controlling Evaluation
- Including Artifacts
- Adding Instructions
- Setting Variables
- Recording Evaluation



OCIL Reference Implementation

- Standalone Java Application that demonstrates the features of OCIL
- Available at Sourceforge.net



Activities since OCIL 2.0

- **Inclusion of OCIL 2.0 into the next revision of SCAP (v1.1)**
 - Update schema, specification, documents, and reference implementation
 - Develop SCAP Validation Test Suite for OCIL

- **OCIL as a NIST IR**



Resources

- **OCIL Specification and Files**

<http://scap.nist.gov/specifications/ocil/>

- **OCIL Interpreter**

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/interactive/>

- **OCIL Feedback**

ocil-feedback-list@lists.mitre.org

- **OCIL Developer**

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- **OCIL Developer List Archive**

<http://n2.nabble.com/OCIL-Open-Checklist-Interactive-Language-f3231744.html>

Questions

