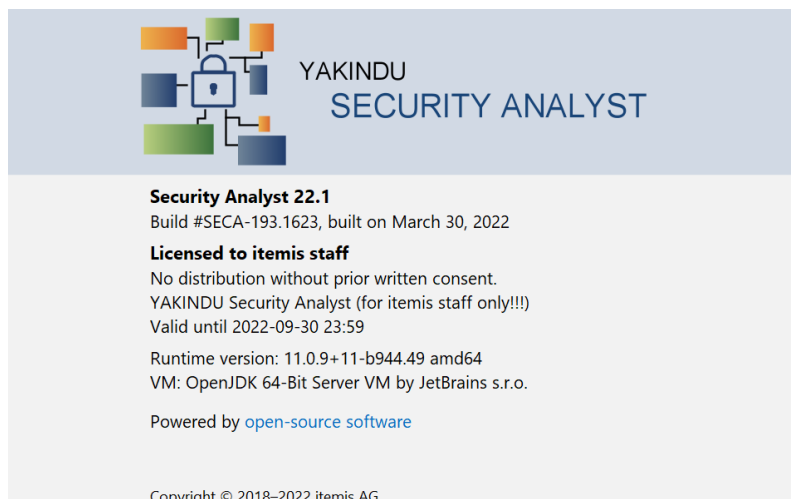


Security Analyst 22.1

Release Notes



It's been a while since our last release but it was worth the wait. We have a feature packed and improved spring update available for you including the following changes:

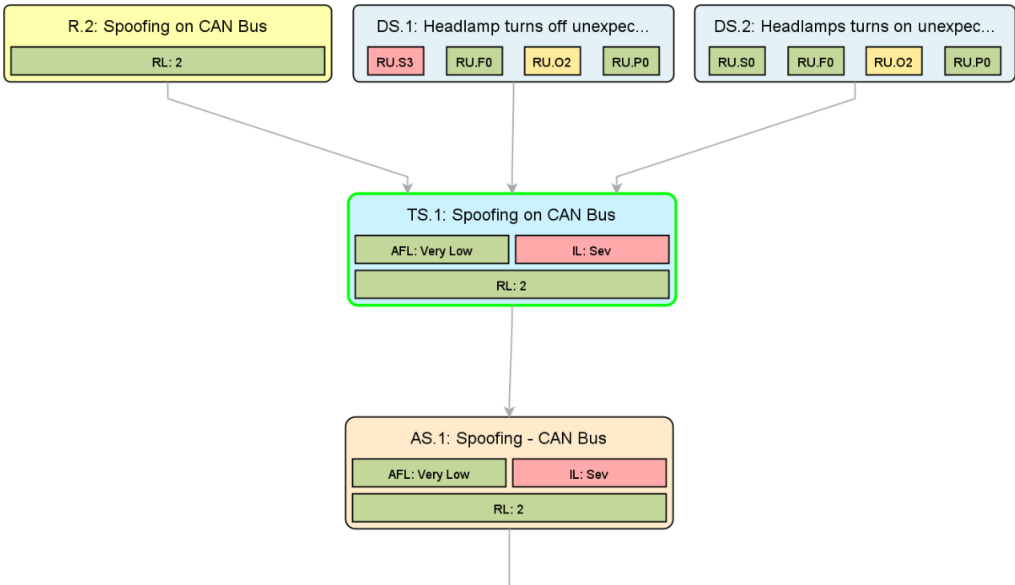
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Threat scenario support

To get even closer to the ISO/SAE 21434, we are now supporting threat scenarios as a dedicated element. A threat scenario realizes one or many damage scenarios and is itself realized by specific attack steps that build an attack tree. It references a threat class, which provides the compromised cybersecurity property.

```
Threat Scenario TS.7: Spoofing on CAN Bus
<no description> Edit
{
  Cause of Compromise TC.1: Spoofing
  Acts on Ch.1: CAN Bus
  Compromises C: Confidentiality, I: Integrity
  Threatens +
  Attack Tree AS.1
  Realizes DS.1: Headlamp turns off unexpectedly
  DS.2: Headlamps turns on unexpectedly
  Damped by A.1
  Risk Level 2
}
```

This change is also reflected in the attack tree graphing, new report items, revamped assistants and an updated tutorial.



Qualified assets

Identifying assets has changed. There are no more intermediate entities, namely security objectives, needed. Instead, asset identification is now all about identifying assets that might cause damages if threatened. The information is bundled within the updated damage scenario element.

Damage Scenario DS.2: Headlamps turns on unexpectedly

Mainly operational impact as the lamp won't disturb much during (...) [Edit](#) **IL** Major

{

- Normal Behavior** Headlamp stays off
- Operational Situation** Driving during daylight
- Concerns** I: Integrity of OnFunc: Switch Headlamp On

The asset identification assistant takes care of creating new damage scenarios for you and creates the qualified asset. We take care of your existing security objectives and migrate them with maintaining the risk level of your TARAs in mind.

OffFunc: Switch Headlamp Off demands	C: Confidentiality I: Integrity (DS.1) A: Availability (DS.3)	Forget rejection Reset Reset
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New user guide

For Security Analyst 22.1, we revamped our user guide. As part of this we updated the terminology to focus on ISO/SAE 21434 terms, filled it with additional contents, and moved the user guide to our itemis Security Analyst product web page: [New user guide](#)

YAKINDU SECURITY ANALYST USER GUIDE

The screenshot displays the user guide interface. On the left is a blue search box with the text "Can't find what you're looking for?" and "Browse the whole documentation." Below this is a search input field with "Type here." and a "SEARCH" button. To the right are two content cards. The first card, titled "Security Analyst insight" (marked with a blue '1'), describes itemis Security Analyst as a model-based software solution for Threat Analyses and Risk Assessments of technical systems, supporting Threat Analysis and Risk Assessment (TARA) throughout the lifecycle in compliance with ISO/SAE 21434 and UN Regulation No. 155. The second card, titled "First steps" (marked with a blue '2'), welcomes users and explains that the chapter covers installation, general introduction, and creating an initial project. Both cards include a "MORE" button.

Note: The user guide will be continuously updated to eventually cover all the features and capabilities of itemis Security Analyst.

The user guide is searchable via the corresponding blue search box. Furthermore, you can navigate to the chapter of interest yourself via clicking the title or the “more” button. On the next page you can find the requested contents and use the navigation on the left hand side to navigate further:

The table of contents is organized into a vertical list. At the top is a dark blue header with the text "YAKINDU SECURITY ANALYST USER GUIDE". Below this are nine main sections, each with a blue number in a square on the left. The first two sections, "1 Security Analyst insight" and "2 First steps", are highlighted with a light blue background. Under section 2, there is a sub-list of five items: "2.1 Installation", "2.2 Getting started", "2.3 Create first project", "2.4 Use cases", and "2.5 How to go further". The remaining sections are "3 Tool overview", "4 Method configuration", "5 Threat analysis and risk assessment", "6 Report generation", "7 Catalogs", "8 Import and export", and "9 Advanced features".

Enhanced impact level determination

Impact level declarations are now spiced up with numeric values attached to them. Impact options aggregating to 2 would end up as a major impact level.

Impact Levels

Neg : Negligible	= 0	(when $0 \leq IL < 1$)
Mod : Moderate	= 1	(when $1 \leq IL < 2$)
Maj : Major	= 2	(when $2 \leq IL < 3$)
Sev : Severe	= 3	(when $3 \leq IL$)

The same applies to the declaration of impact options. Instead of directly referring to the impact levels, you may now declare numeric values per option. Having this, it is possible to realize more powerful aggregation functions that work on these values.

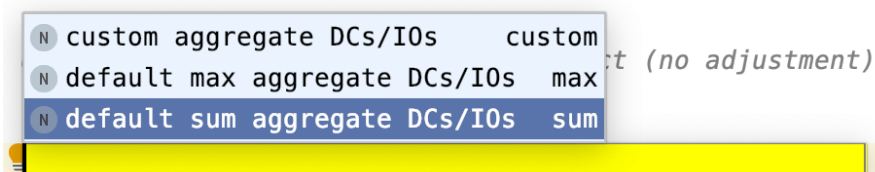
Impact Options of Impact Category O: Operational for Stakeholder RU

RU.O0 : No or non-perceivable impairment	= 0
RU.O1 : Function partially impaired	= 1
RU.O2 : Important function impaired	= 2
RU.O3 : Core function impaired	= 3

While extending the foundation of impact determination, we added an additional default aggregator. Next to the default “MAX” aggregation we also allow adding up the values with a new “SUM” aggregator. This can be modified in the inspector of the risk model at your method configuration. Just add a new aggregator in the impact combinator section. In the inspector you may choose the sum aggregator default instead of the max aggregator default.

Impact Combinators

Sum: Takes sum of all stakeholder relevant impact categories



Impact scaling

It is now possible to define your own set of scaling options with a numeric value attached to it. By default the following three options are available:

Impact Scaling Options

IS.1: Single = 1

IS.2: Some = 5

IS.3: Many = 11

Having enhanced impact determination in place, Security Analyst uses the provided values per damage scenario and applies impact scaling to it. In the following example, we are scaling the moderate (1) rating with the impact scale “IS.3: Many (11)” which aggregates to a severe impact level.

Damage Scenario DS.5: Scaled damage scenario

My impact level is scaled from moderate to severe. [Edit](#)

IL Severe

```
{  
  Normal Behavior      <none>  
  Operational Situation <none>  
  Concerns            I: Integrity of OffFunc: Switch Headlamp Off  
  Impact Scale        IS.3: Many (11)  
  Impact  
    O: Operational:  
      RU.O1: Function partially impaired ( 1 | RU) rationale: <no rationale>  
  Threat Scenarios + <no threat scenarios>  
}
```

On-demand re-calculation

In order to improve the performance for large models, you may now disable the immediate re-calculation of all risks on each change. The corresponding setting can be found in “Settings > Appearance & Behavior > Security Analyst General”:

Always calculate RL (otherwise RL on demand)

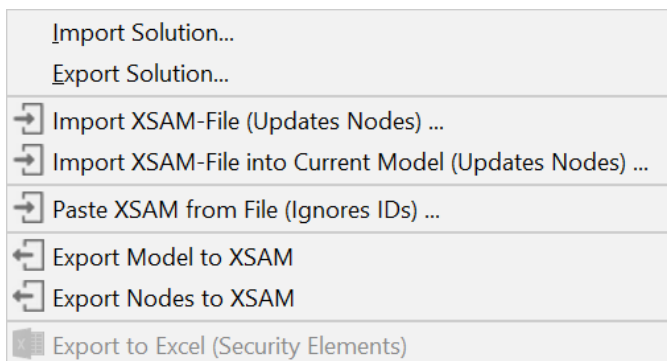
The on-demand re-calculation can be triggered when selecting a risk related element. The recalculate button will show up in the toolbar as follows:



Import and export enhancements

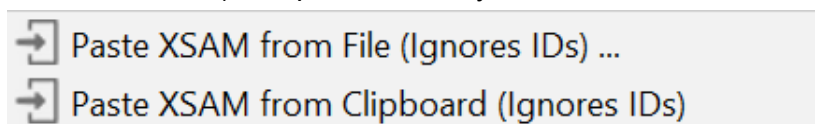
Export

It is now possible to **select multiple elements** from the project navigation tree and export them **to one xsam file**. It uses the same semantics as “*Export model to XSAM*” and stores the selected contents (e.g. chunks / root nodes) under a `<mps:RootNodes>` xml tag, but only exports the selected Chunks.



Import

- You can import single nodes without the `<mps:RootNodes>` xml tag
- *Import XSAM into Current Model* without `mps:modelRef` attribute is now supported
- *Import XSAM* requires `<mps:modelRef>` to find the correct model
- If a chunk (root node) to be updated cannot be found, a new one is created automatically
- You can now copy XSAM snippets (e.g. the contents of an exported node, or text received via mail) and paste it exactly where needed:



Attack feasibility option assignment

For attack steps, controls, threat classes and control classes, new intentions are available to clean up your model (e.g. after a failing migrations or imports):

- incomplete AF options are removed automatically
- Improved error-message for duplicated AF option assignments
- The respective quickfixes can be triggered from the intentions menu (<ALT>+<ENTER>)

Assistant performance enhancement

- When a Suggestion is applied, rejected, reset ... , only the Suggestion itself is updated and not the entire assistant
- There is a checkbox next to the “Refresh” button, that allows enabling the auto refresh on each action

Pull changes from catalog (beta)

We are preparing for future automated catalog updates. Under “Settings > Appearance > Security Analyst General” you can define a threats catalog endpoint (url).

If this is configured properly and an endpoint is selected, you can pull in the catalog data via “Import/Export>Pull changes from remote Catalog” for a selected model. It acts like a “Import XSAM into Current Model” for threat catalogs. Unfortunately, without the appropriate endpoint, this is not of use for you just yet. Stay tuned!

Updated report items

- Updated reports to take into account Threat Scenarios
- Updated report items to take into account impact scaling
- Damage scenario table is split up:
 - Damage scenarios overview shows name, title, ...
 - Damage scenarios with Impact per Stakeholder shows Impact per stakeholder and impact category
- Risk table shows risk level per stakeholder
- Terminology profile (e.g. ISO21434) is used properly in reports template completion menus

Various fixes and improvements

- Fixed line breaks in descriptions
 - Editing and exporting/importing now support multiple line breaks and does no longer ignore them
- Reports chunk: Improved displaying of default control scenario
- Project tree view: Derive icons from the content, if no default content is set
- New data can now be created inline for sub-data, stored-data and transferred-data
- Control groups chunk: Fixed and extended editing of new control groups by just being able to start typing in empty chunk
- You can now change the row sorting of the risk matrix result report item
- Assumptions are not evaluated to impossible anymore; if there is nothing configured there they act like “place holders” and have no effect on the Risk calculation
- Fixed wrong results calculated when reopening the same project again

Open initiative for an exchange format

You might already know our exchange format XSAM. Starting from this, we are launching an initiative to form an open community which aims at establishing a cross-vendor, cross-tool XML-based format for eXchanging Security Analysis Models. We call it openxsam.io and recently [talked about it at ASRG](#). If you are interested in joining the initiative, please contact us at security-analyst@itemis.de.

Additionally, we still have the knowledge base at <https://www.security-analyst.org> about general security analysis processes and norms.

Version Mapping

The following table can be used to determine the Security Analyst version based of the internal plugin version “com.moraad.core” that is stored in the .msd file of every solution:

```
<language slang="1:2bca1aa3-c113-4542-8ac2-2a6a30636981:com.moraad.core" version="<com-moraad-core-version>" />
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com.moraad.core version	Security Analyst version
78	22.1
74	21.3
73	21.2
72	21.1.1
71	21.1
64	20.4
63	20.3.1
61	20.3
59	20.2.1
58	20.2
55	20.1.1
54	20.2.1
49	19.4.1
48	19.4
46	19.3.1
44	19.3
41	19.2
37	2.5.1