With the industry’s first real-time universal payload analysis, IT teams now can program the ExtraHop® platform to analyze virtually any message or transaction based on UDP or TCP in real time and to extract critical metrics. This capability expands the breadth of ExtraHop’s wire data analytics, enabling organizations to monitor custom protocols or protocols not supported natively.

**Programmable Platform**

With ExtraHop’s universal payload analysis capabilities, you can program the ExtraHop platform’s real-time stream processor to parse protocols that are not supported natively. Universal payload analysis supports any Layer 7 protocol based on TCP or UDP. For cases in which the payload is encapsulated, universal payload analysis still can record header information.

**Stay in Control**

Universal payload analysis puts you in control. Never again will you have to wait for a vendor to add support for a technology that is critical to your business. For example, companies that rely on custom-developed protocols can use universal payload analysis to quickly gain insight into those communications.

**Community-Driven Innovation**

ExtraHop platform extensions that take advantage of universal payload analysis can be shared with and improved upon by the ExtraHop community. ExtraHop has developed four example bundles that use universal payload analysis for the following protocols: DHCP, ICAP, MSMQ, and syslog. To examine these bundles and learn more, visit https://forum.extrahop.com.

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