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DTEX AND THE SECURITY ECOSYSTEM

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The DTEX InTERCEPT™ Platform

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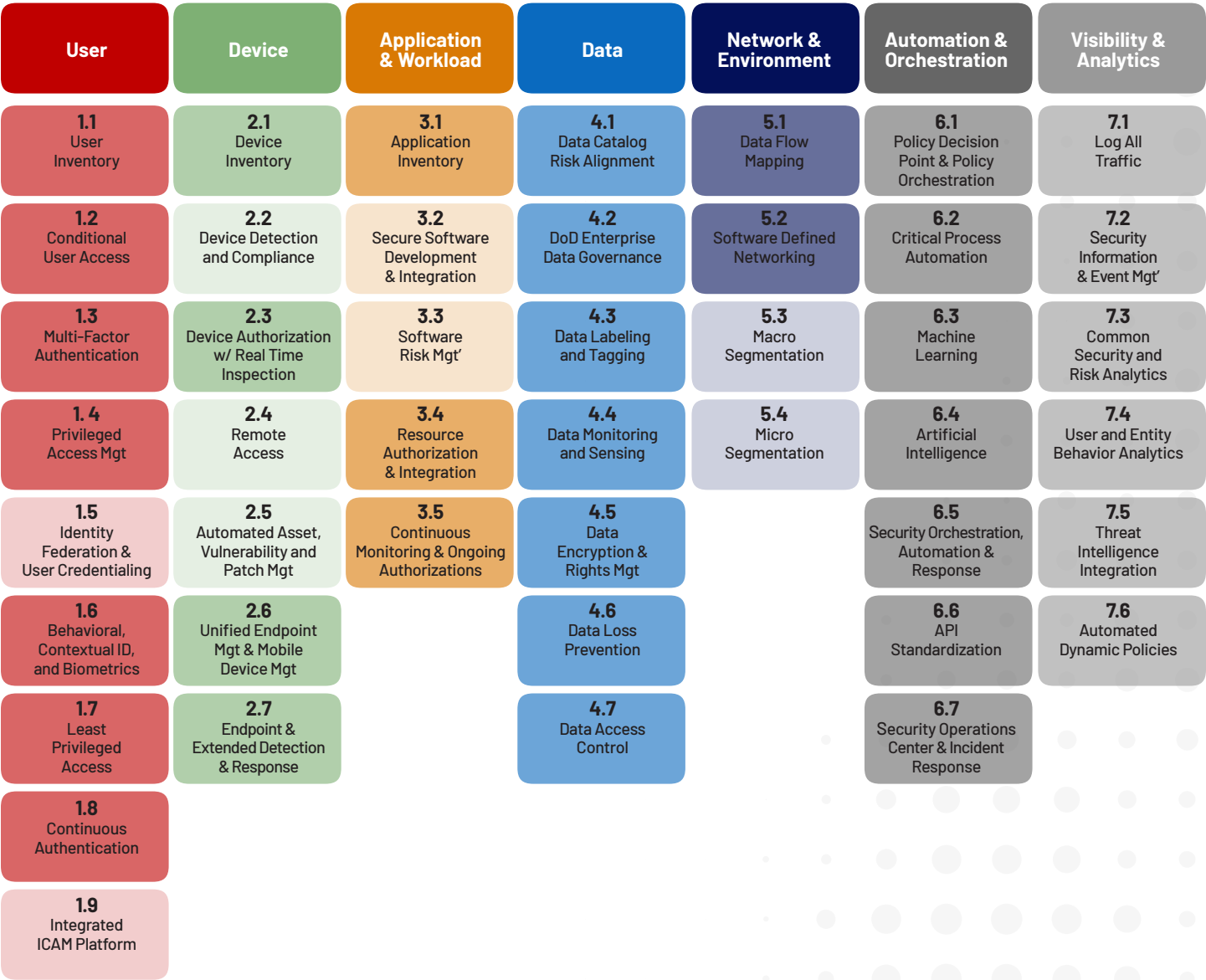
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DTEX Coverage of DoD Zero Trust

DTEX provides extensive support for the DoD ZT strategy, capability and activity matrix. The heat map below summarizes support.

DTEX Heat Map for DoD Zero Trust Capabilities

User	Device	Application & Workload	Data	Network & Environment	Automation & Orchestration	Visibility & Analytics
1.1 User Inventory	**2.1** Device Inventory	**3.1** Application Inventory	**4.1** Data Catalog Risk Alignment	**5.1** Data Flow Mapping	**6.1** Policy Decision Point & Policy Orchestration	**7.1** Log All Traffic
1.2 Conditional User Access	**2.2** Device Detection and Compliance	**3.2** Secure Software Development & Integration	**4.2** DoD Enterprise Data Governance	**5.2** Software Defined Networking	**6.2** Critical Process Automation	**7.2** Security Information & Event Mgt'
1.3 Multi-Factor Authentication	**2.3** Device Authorization w/ Real Time Inspection	**3.3** Software Risk Mgt'	**4.3** Data Labeling and Tagging	**5.3** Macro Segmentation	**6.3** Machine Learning	**7.3** Common Security and Risk Analytics
1. 4 Privileged Access Mgt	**2.4** Remote Access	**3.4** Resource Authorization & Integration	**4.4** Data Monitoring and Sensing	**5.4** Micro Segmentation	**6.4** Artificial Intelligence	**7.4** User and Entity Behavior Analytics
1.5 Identity Federation & User Credentialing	**2.5** Automated Asset, Vulnerability and Patch Mgt	**3.5** Continuous Monitoring & Ongoing Authorizations	**4.5** Data Encryption & Rights Mgt		**6.5** Security Orchestration, Automation & Response	**7.5** Threat Intelligence Integration
1.6 Behavioral, Contextual ID, and Biometrics	**2.6** Unified Endpoint Mgt & Mobile Device Mgt		**4.6** Data Loss Prevention		**6.6** API Standardization	**7.6** Automated Dynamic Policies
1.7 Least Privileged Access	**2.7** Endpoint & Extended Detection & Response		**4.7** Data Access Control		**6.7** Security Operations Center & Incident Response	
1.8 Continuous Authentication						
1.9 Integrated ICAM Platform						

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DoD Zero Trust Capabilities

User

DTEX InTERCEPT uses AI-driven data science to collect and baseline user behavior by role, department, and geography and accurately identify deviations that indicate compromised, malicious and negligent behaviors. DTEX identifies and tracks the activities of all users and provides full application visibility for all activities across the organization.

Combining behavioral rules and machine learning (ML), DTEX detects the use (or attempted use) of privileged admin accounts, as well as specific commands executed afterwards. Through continuous threat posture analysis, each user session is logged and analyzed as well as system account, service/local account and domain account activity to determine when a given account may be impersonated.

InTERCEPT is fully compliant with CNSSD 504 and NITTF minimum requirements for User Activity Monitoring.

DTEX can make dynamic access decisions based on risk and can export data to various 3rd party solutions for subsequent action.

Device

DTEX tracks an inventory of known assets and delivers a full audit history of file activity for a real-time, contextual understanding of data movement. Although the platform integrates across the security ecosystem to collect data from a variety of technologies to streamline security operations, DTEX InTERCEPT natively provides visibility beyond the endpoint, into application, network, and cloud activity.

Applications and Workloads

DTEX provides full application visibility of all activities. Through AI-driven data science, DTEX InTERCEPT continuously reviews users, devices and data security posture to accurately identify early indicators of malicious or compromised behavioral intent.

Data

With an emerging risk approach, DTEX unique metadata and behavioral enrichment work together to enable a real-time, contextual understanding of the 'indicators of intent' around a data event. DTEX behavioral DLP captures full file lineage to track all data changes and sensitive data profiles automatically infer data sensitivity. This is correlated with user behavior profiles and leading data classification tools to detect the movement of sensitive data without heavy content-aware rules. Data sensitivity can be used in rules to elevate the risk score of an individual and generate an alert.

Network and Environment

DTEX InTERCEPT monitors network traffic generated by endpoints via any application. Out-of-the-box rules are available to correlate file system activities with network activities, enabling effective profiling of data loss through webmail, file sharing sites, and other websites. These rules inform alerting and risk scoring.

Automation and Orchestration

The DTEX platform continuously collects and synthesizes unique elements of enterprise telemetry from data, machines, applications, and people to surface 'indicators of intent' that combine to deliver holistic, contextual awareness about user activity. DTEX provides trigger notifications of abnormal activity that deviate from baselines and indicate elevated risk to an interactive dashboard for forensic investigation, protective action, and cross-functional reporting.

Based on AI-driven automation, DTEX creates dynamic risk scores and captures full file lineage, enabling a more effective, contextual understanding of data movement and behavioral intent before a data loss event can occur. DTEX supports dynamic enforcement capabilities that can block FTP, large files in email and access to certain cloud services.

The DTEX Ai^3 Risk Assistant helps guide investigations that empower analysts with summarized user activity and to ask pointed questions like where sensitive data is going, who is accessing it, and most importantly, why. DTEX also detects end user interactions with Generative AI Chat sites, critical functionality to prevent unauthorized sharing, use, or transfer of sensitive information.

DTEX is based on Open Source Software, making integrations and API development quick and easy. Contact us for specific integration requirements.

Visibility and Analytics

DTEX dynamically updates InTERCEPT security profiles through continuous, organization-wide monitoring and risk scoring to surface early behavioral indicators of intent. DTEX unique metadata and behavioral enrichment underpin risk scoring algorithms to accurately identify deviations and indicate compromised, malicious and negligent behaviors.

InTERCEPT can act on data from integrations like NGAV, EDR and SWG, by blocking specific application processes and network connections that are not part of normal or approved workflows. To support a streamlined approach to data collection, the InTERCEPT platform can also export data to various solutions such as SIEM, SOAR, and ITSM for subsequent action.

DTEX i3 insider threat advisories, as well as external threat intelligence platforms, can be integrated into the DTEX platform and be exported to a SIEM or other 3rd party enterprise security tools.

Schedule a Demonstration

As an agency enabler for digital transformation and cultural change, DTEX provides the data to drive organization-wide decisions to protect data and strategically align to Zero Trust security principles.

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DTEX Systems helps hundreds of organizations worldwide better understand their workforce, protect their data and make human-centric operational investments. Its Workforce Cyber Intelligence & Security platform brings together next-generation DLP, UEBA, digital forensics, user activity monitoring and insider threat management in one scalable, cloud-native platform. Through its patented and privacy-compliant meta-data collection and analytics engine, the DTEX platform surfaces abnormal behavioral "indicators of intent" to mitigate risk of data and IP loss, enabling SOC enrichment with human sensors and empowering enterprises to make smarter business decisions quickly.