



Cost saving technology from



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Latest ZEN TRACE & SOLVE has in-flight viewing of active IP traces and more ...

ZEN, the cost saving z/OS network management suite from William Data Systems (WDS) continues to evolve with the launch of ZEN TRACE & SOLVE's latest 4.7 version. It delivers more customer suggested z/OS network tracing and solution solving capabilities to help busy z/OS network support people do more in less time.

Known to many of its users worldwide by its previous name EXIGENCE, ZEN TRACE & SOLVE (ZTS) is leading edge z/OS network management technology, backed by a dynamic research and development operation to keep it one step ahead.

New features of ZEN TRACE & SOLVE v4.7 include:

The new "Peek" function which provides in-flight viewing of active IP traces. This means that it is now possible to view an active trace while it is still running, tracking its progress 'in-flight', and then stopping it when the condition being sought in the trace is detected. This can save considerable CPU costs and user time.

Traces originally captured in OSAENTA, libpcap or Sniffer format can now be imported into ZTS. This can make network problem solving both faster and easier.

As well as being able to accept commands from the operator console, ZEN TRACE & SOLVE now adds the ability to issue any commands (including ZTS commands) from JCL. When combined with the capabilities provided by the new import features, this enables different trace formats to be automatically imported into ZTS for analysis. This greatly simplifies the whole network problem solving process.

Tracing of IPv6 is now faster and easier with the provision of improved Flow display text descriptions for recognizable packet contents, as well as the capability to search using IPv6 format addresses.

Tracing packets in large Sysplex environments is inherently complex but ZEN TRACE & SOLVE v4.7 now makes it easier by providing improved facilities for expanding encapsulated data used by Sysplex protocols such as GRE and VIPA Route. Being able to view and expand encapsulated payload data is a vital tool for rapid problem diagnosis in large Enterprise networks.

WDS's Founder, Liam Hammond, explained "Managing today's complex and constantly evolving z/OS networks with fewer skilled people needs these smarter tools with their built in intelligence.

ZEN TRACE & SOLVE continues to provide best in class technology for the 21st century datacenter".

Note for Editors: The ZEN cost saving z/OS network management suite comprises:

ZEN OSA MONITOR	For OSA performance monitoring & management
ZEN IP MONITOR - IMPLEX	For IP performance monitoring & management
ZEN EE MONITOR - FERRET	For APPN/HPR and EE monitoring & management
ZEN TRACE & SOLVE - EXIGENCE	For network problem determination
ZEN FTP CONTROL - FTPALERT	For audited FTP monitoring and management
ZEN EE SECURITY - APIAS	For secure EE deployment across any network
ZEN AUTOMATION	For automating network and operational tasks

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