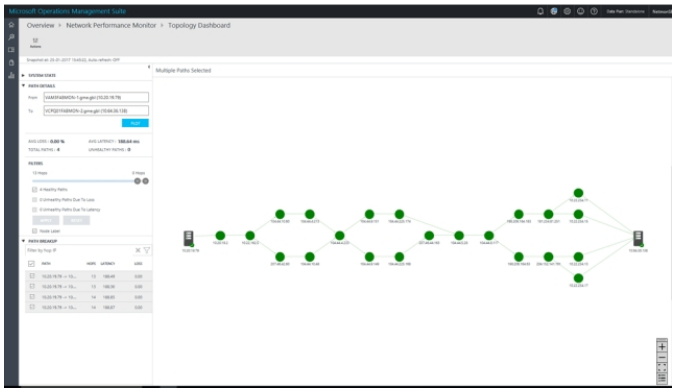
Microsoft presents the Network Performance Manager-- a means for Operations Management Suite (OMS) customers to diagnose network connectivity problems affecting hybrid cloud setups.



Part of the Log Analytics services in the OMS IT management and monitoring offering, Network Performance Manager continuously tests for reachability between various points on the network across public clouds, datacentres and user locations. As a result it enables admins to quickly identify a specific network segment or device causing problems, such as performance dips below a desired threshold.

Network Performance Monitor appears as an own tile in the OMS portal. It does not require direct access to network devices, meaning it can be used to supplement existing network management tools. As a standalone solution, it supports several use cases, including monitoring the health of connections between on-premises networks and public clouds, as well as the monitoring of links between multiple datacentres and office connected via public or private networks. Microsoft recommends customers use two agent for each subnet they want to monitor.

Users get a topology map complete with interactive filters, allowing them to zoom in and customise views according to health status and other factors. The solution can issue email alerts in case of issues, while the search function promises faster results as users drill-down to specific networks and subnets.

The Network Performance Monitor agent supports Windows desktop operating systems (Windows 10, 8.1, 8 and 7) as well as Windows servers. Agents are also available for Linux servers and workstations, with supported distributions including CentOS Linux 7, Debian 8, Red

Hat Enterprise Linux 7.2, SUSE Linux Server 12, and Ubuntu 14.04 LTS (Long Term Support), 15.04 and 16.04 LTS.

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