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Depending on what you actually want to do, one of the following commands should be suitable to run any external program or batch file:

- **OS.Area < cmdline >** : Output in AREA window (blocking)
- **OS.Window < cmdline >** : Output in "OS.Window" window (blocking) inside PowerView
- **OS.screen < cmdline >** : On Windows, the command gets directly executed without a shell. The output of a console application is shown in a temporary command window. On Linux, the output is in the shell, which started the TRACE32 GUI (non-blocking)
- **OS.Hidden < cmdline >** : No output anywhere (blocking)
- **OS.Command < cmdline >** : Output in system shell, which allows redirects (non-blocking on Windows / blocking on Linux unless you add an ampersand &)

Please refer to the [PowerView Function Reference](#) for more information.

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H **Hodor**

1 year ago

I have tried the non blocking os.screen and command to run a python script which captures trace32 window and saves it in wordfile. but in the screenshot i am not able to see the breakpoint set on a function. in the script i am opening the breakpoint list window. here is my code  
BREAK.List WAIT 1.s BREAK.Set sieve1 RePeaT ( Go WAIT !STATE.RUN() os.hidden python D:\capture.py break.delete sieve1 go ) I can see there is option in file menu called window screenshot to file, but i am not able to find the command.



**Khaled Jmal**

1 year ago

Hello,

the command to take a screenshot of a TRACE32 window is SScreenShot

Example:

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WinPOS ,,,,,,myWin
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Break.List
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SScreenShot "~~~/screenshot.png" PNG myWin
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Refer fore more details to ide\_ref.pdf