

# Re: Upgrading Windows SharePoint Services 2.0 scalable hosting mod

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  - *Date:* Sun, 4 May 2008 22:57:04 +0200
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I wrote an how to on this issue.. works perfect!

<http://www.sharepointforum.com/en-US/Wiki/Forms/DispForm.aspx?ID=7>

/Daniel Bugday

<http://www.sharepointforum.com/>

<http://www.sharepointforum.com/en-US/Blog/default.aspx>

<EF@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:O1itRgGrIHA.1872@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Hi Steven,

I having trying this out on a test environment for the past 2 days and I don't seem to get it work as expected.

My current WSS 2.0 is using scalable hosting mode.

I have only 1 web site (or also known as virtual server) with 1 IP address.

I create all my site collection using createsiteinnewdb.

All site collections have their own url (e.g. sales.domain.com, marketing.domain.com, it.domain.com).

Each site collection has its own content database.

Now I am trying out the content database migration to WSS 3.0.

I setup a new WSS 3.0 farm in VM.

I backup the content databases from the WSS 2.0 SQL Server.

Restore the content databases to the WSS 3.0 SQL Server.

Create a new web application in WSS 3.0 using the servername.domain.com as the URL.

Delete the content database created during the creation of web application.

I run the following to add the content database.

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stsadm -o addcontentdb -url http://servername.domain.com -databasename STS_DB1.
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Now if I try to add another content database to the same web application, it failed.

Now the site collection in STS\_DB1 is suppose to be having the url sales.domain.com. But I can't use that url, instead I have to use servername.domain.com.

I also tried resetting up a new WSS 3.0.

Create a new web application using the servername.domain.com as the URL.

Add new content database.

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Create new site collection with host header.

stsadm -o createsite -owneremail myemail@xxxxxxxxxxx -url <http://sales.domain.com>  
-ownerlogin domain\mylogin -hhurl <http://servername.domain.com>

Add another new content database.

Create new site collection with host header.

stsadm -o createsite -owneremail myemail@xxxxxxxxxxx -url <http://marketing.domain.com>  
-ownerlogin domain\mylogin -hhurl <http://servername.domain.com>

Now this match what I have in my current WSS 2.0. However, this is creating new site collections. How can I migrate the content database and get the same result?

Please help.....

Thanks,  
Alex

"Steven Cheng [MSFT]" <stcheng@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
<news:h%23uCYd1qIHA.4284@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thanks for your reply Alex,

Regarding on the further questions you mentioned, I'll do some further research on it. I'll update you if I can some new information.

Sincerely,

Steven Cheng

Microsoft MSDN Online Support Lead

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Hi Steven,

Okay, I am now trying out the content db migration. I am trying to follow the "Upgrading to Windows SharePoint Services 3.0 technology" document. The chapter I am looking at is "Deploy a new farm, then migrate databases".

There are a few things that I am not sure of as it is not mention in the document.

- 1) After installing a new WSS 3.0 farm do I need to first create a new web application prior to adding the content db? I am asking because the command "stsadm -o addcontentdb" needs a web application URL.
- 2) If creating a web application is required before adding the content db, what should be the database name for the web application?
- 3) In WSS 2.0, I have 1 content db to 1 site collection and thus 1 unique URL each. When I use the addcontentdb, how does it knows what is the URL since I am only providing the web application URL?
- 4) It says when adding the content db, make sure the root site for the web application is included in the first content db you add? What does this means?

Thanks,  
Alex

"Steven Cheng [MSFT]" wrote:

Hi Alex,

As for WSS 2.0 scalable hosting upgrade, based on my research, seems most one will recommend content db based migration on a new WSS 3.0 web application. Here are two blog entries from some SPS engineers:

#Upgrading Windows SharePoint Services 2.0 Scalable  
Hosting Mode Server  
Farms

<http://blogs.technet.com/wbaer/archive/2007/03/31/upgrading-windows-sharepoi>

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nt-services-2-0-scalable-hosting-mode-server-farms.aspx

#WSS 2.0 to WSS 3.0 Farm Host Header Upgrade FYI

<http://blogs.msdn.com/joelo/archive/2007/05/30/wss-2-0-to-wss-3-0-farm-host->

header-upgrade-fyi.aspx

Sincerely,

Steven Cheng

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Hi,

What is the best option to upgrade WSS 2.0 scalable hosting mode to WSS

3.0?

In the upgrade document from MS, I can only either perform In-Place or Content DB migration. For the content db migration, if I understand correctly which is actually like a manual in-place upgrade since I have

to

complete the migrating of all content databases before I can start

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creating

new sites.

Is there a better way of doing this?

Thanks,  
Alex