

## Re: How to ping a site ?

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Once you have an IP address, you can also use a simple connect() on port 80 (or any TCP port you expect to be listening) then immediately close the socket. It may be a little rude, but I have used this technique while timing the response to see how the various protocols (HTTP, SMTP, POP, NNTP, et c.) are affected by a packet-shaper.

On Mon, 13 Sep 2004 13:55:25 -0400, "Igor Tandetnik" <itandetnik@mvps.org> wrote:

>"ama" <a.m.a@videotron.ca> wrote in message  
>news:blj1d.46385\$WH1.629116@wagner.videotron.net  
>> I need to know how i can simulate a click with a URL that constains  
>> data for the server , ex:  
>> <http://www.sd.com?soaid+234234...>  
>>  
>> It is used by banners for exemple, exepi i dont need to download  
>> anything. I just want to ping with this URL .  
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>I'm not sure what you mean by "ping". If you mean "execute ping ICMP  
>protocol", it takes an IP address or a domain name, not a URL, which  
>renders your question meaningless. If you mean "execute an HTTP request  
>but ignore the response", I don't see what a problem is - just do this  
>as you normally would, and drop on the floor any data sent by the  
>server. To reduce network load, you can issue a HEAD request instead of  
>GET, then the server will only respond with headers but won't send any  
>content.

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- Vince