

Re: Severe XP Web Server Response issue – External O.K. – Internal a problem!

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Yes, I did that. The delay is not coming from the DNS lookup, something is just stalling it within the network.

Why use XP? Because that's the OS that the Instantserver software runs on and it runs very well - well externally that is. Instantserver is an easy to use and administer program written on top of Apache.

The internal network used to run fine. Without any reason or explanation, it went to a crawl - but on as far as accessing the websites/email/FTP to the "server". Accessing shared folders and exchanging files that way is just as fast as ever.

Duffy

NoStop wrote:

After sticking his head out from his XP firewall, J. D. B. had this to say:

Folks, I am really frustrated by this. I have a network of three PCs at home. Two are XP and one is Linux. They are all connected to a Netgear wireless router/hub. On the one XP machine, I run a mail/web server. The Linux and XP machines are just for general PC usage. Everything was working fine up until a month ago when performance from one machine to another machine degraded to a snail's pace. In other words, if I tried to access any of the websites from by XP personal desktop to the webserver, it went to a crawl. However, if I went to the office and tried to access the same website, it was as speedy as normal as still is if accessing the web/mail sites from the "outside" - it is only when I try to access the websites from my own home PCs does it become an issue.

I can't think of anything that was changed that could have caused this. Router/hub was not changed, that's for sure, and I even went through a reconfigure of the router/hub and then even did a reload to the settings

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that I saved when I did the initial configuration. Nothing changes.
I've turned off the firewall - no change.

What can be causing this problem? Any ideas? It's really puzzling that the performance is only an issue internal to my home, but not external - you'd think it would be just the opposite. BTW, I am not accessing the websites via local host - I am accessing them just like any website - www.myhost.com

Suggestions would be most appreciated!

Duffy

delete nospam if responding directly.

Have you looked at the HOSTS file on your workstation and placed the ip address of your web server in there? That might speed access up as it would eliminate a DNS lookup.

A better question is why you'd choose to run a web server on XP when you say you have a Linux box on your LAN? A LAMP server would be far better as a web server than using a Windoze web server.