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Magento Performance Testing

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Are performance and customization compatible?

The Intent

- To enable merchants to test the performance their Magento installations
- To enable developers to test the performance impact of their Magento customizations
- To enable performance testing across the Magento ecosystem
- To enable the comparison of these performance tests (Benchmarking)
- To provide commonly used methods, scenarios, and terminology to describe testing activities

Performance

Responsiveness and stability under a particular workload

Benchmarking

Comparing system performance metrics, typically to recommended best practices or industry standards

Scalability

 ...ability to process growing amounts of requests in a capable manner
 ...ability to expand the system resources to increase capacity

Reliability

 ...ability to yield the same or compatible results for different tests
 ...ability for the system to operate as designed

Reproducibility

 ...ability to conduct a performance test and observe similar results on multiple test occurrences
 ...ability for a third party to independently duplicate a test and observe comparable results

The Approach

- Provide a performance test framework
 - Use an open-source toolset
- Provide reference architectures
- Provide sample data
 - Small merchant profile
 - Large merchant profile
- Provide test scenarios
 - Traffic profiles
 - Shopper behavior
 - Buyer behavior

Control Variables - Top Level Groups

Load Generator

Merchant Traffic Profile

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Reference System Architecture

Example: Load Generator

Hardware

- Hardware Specifications
- Connectivity
- Software
 - Gatling (github.com/excilys/gatling)
 - jMeter (jmeter.apache.org)
 - jmeter 2.9 r1437961

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Example: Merchant Traffic Profile

- Test Scripts
 - Varies by load generator, jmx files for jMeter
- Traffic Profile
 - 100 maximum concurrent users
 - 750 user sessions
 - 30% view product
 - 62% view product & add to cart
 - 4% guest checkout
 - 4% customer checkout

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Example: Reference Store

Store Data

- Snapshot of the database, or
- Generated dataset in a ready-to-test condition
- Store Size
 - 1000 SKUs...100,000 SKUs...500,000 SKUs
- Store Complexity
 - Single Store/Single Site
 - Multi Store/Multi Site

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Example: Magento Platform

- Magento Version
- Magento Configuration
 - Iocal.xml
- Customizations
- Code Changes

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Example: Environment (Software Specs)

- Software Load Balancer, nginx/1.4.2
- Physical Host OS, Ubuntu 12.04.3 LTS
- VM OS, CentOS release 6.4
- Memcache, memcached 1.4.4
- MySQL, 5.1.71-rel14.9 Percona Server (percona)
- PHP, PHP 5.4.20 (remi)
- PHP.ini settings
 - Session Configuration
- OS environment settings
 - THP (always/never)

Example: Environment (Hardware Specs)

- Physical Server = HP ProLiant SL230 Gen8
 - 2x Xeon E5-2660 CPU
 - > 2.2GHz, 8 core, 20MB L3 cache
 - 128 GB RAM
 - + 4x SAS 600GB HDD
 - System Volume: 2xHDD, RAID1
 - Data Volume: 2xHDD, RAID0
- Virtual Servers
 - test32 = 8x VCPU, 32 GB RAM
 - test16 = 4x VCPU, 16 GB RAM
 - test08 = 4x VCPU, 8 GB RAM

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Example: Reference System Architecture



Test Protocol

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Example: Test Protocol

- Preparation
 - Script changes are not isolated, prepare database state before each test run
- Execution
 - Ramp up time = 600 seconds
 - Run the scripts once without recording results (warm-up)

The Technique - Performance Test Control Variables

- Load Generator: Hardware Specs, Connectivity, Software, Settings
- Merchant Traffic Profile: Test Scripts, Traffic Profile, Concurrent Sessions, Conversion Rate
- Reference Store: Store Data, Store Size, Store Complexity
- Magento Platform: Magento Version, Configuration, Customization & Code Changes
- Environment: PHP (Framework, Version, Settings), Software Specs, Hardware Specs, Virtualization
- Reference System Architecture: Connectivity,
 Deployment Topology, Server Provisioning
- **Test Protocol:** Steps to produce or reproduce results, Preparation, Execution

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The Simple Benchmark

Comparing your system's performance against itself

Preparation

- Provision your equipment
- Configure your environment
- Prepare your store data
- Initial Run
 - Execute the performance test
- Comparison Run
 - Prepare your store data (again)
 - Change a limited number of control variables
 - Execute the performance test (again)
- Repeat....

Do you use jMeter now?

The Load Generator Tool - jMeter

What it does

- Portable tool (100% Java)
- Scriptable
- Can be customized
- Visualization
- What it doesn't do
 - Does not render HTML
 - Does not execute JavaScript
 - Tests the application, not the user experience

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