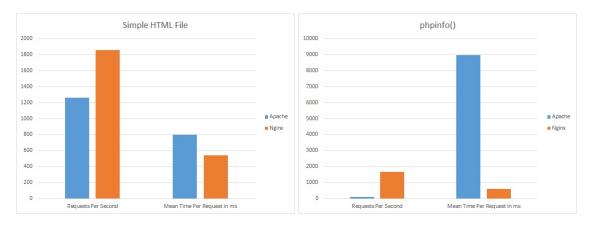
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CSE 503S: Rapid Prototype Development and Creative Programming

Performance Evaluation Study

I. Apache and Nginx comparison on the same AWS instance type

In this experiment, we are going to take a look at the performance under different web servers. From this semester, we normally used apache to serve normal html and php files. For a comparison, I downloaded a free trial of Nginx to compare the speeds in which we could serve up a simple html file and a php file called the function phpinfo().



For each server, I ran an Apache Benchmark that would send 10 requests 1000 at a time. Here are more statistics directly from the Apache Benchmark command:

Document Path: /PES/test.html
Document Length: 207 bytes

Concurrency Level: 1000

Time taken for tests: 7.945 seconds

Complete requests: 10000
Failed requests: 0
Write errors: 0
Keep-Alive requests: 0

Total transferred: 4761875 bytes HTML transferred: 2075175 bytes

Requests per second: 1258.58 [#/sec] (mean) Time per request: 794.545 [ms] (mean)

Time per request: 0.795 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)

Transfer rate: 585.27 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)

mean[+/-sd] median min max Connect: 177 426.4 21 3045 Processing: 1 316 994.7 101 7777 Waiting: 1 316 994.7 101 7777 493 1074.9 Total: 81 129 7939

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms) 50% 129

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66%
        155
        334
 75%
 80%
       404
 90%
       1122
 95%
       1550
 98%
       4573
 99%
       7104
 100%
       7939 (longest request)
Server Software:
                     Apache/2.2.31
Server Hostname:
                     54.200.100.56
Server Port:
                     80
Document Path:
                     /PES/test.php
Document Length:
                     127414 bytes
                     1000
Concurrency Level:
                     89.628 seconds
Time taken for tests:
                     10000
Complete requests:
Failed requests:
Write errors:
                     0
Keep-Alive requests:
Total transferred:
                     1277817560 bytes
HTML transferred:
                     1276084273 bytes
Requests per second:
                     111.57 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:
                     8962.769 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:
                     8.963 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:
                     13922.80 [Kbytes/sec] received
Connection Times (ms)
            min mean[+/-sd] median
                                    max
Connect:
             12 1026 3014.7
                             161
                                   63176
              9 5230 9389.1
                             3137
                                   89444
Processing:
Waiting:
              2 3291 9316.3
                            1234
                                   89333
Total:
           1003 6257 9704.2
                            3792
                                   89620
Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)
 50%
       3792
 66%
       4646
 75%
       5578
 80%
       6226
 90% 10132
 95% 16288
 98% 33152
 99%
      55558
 100% 89620 (longest request)
 **********************************
Server Software:
                     nginx/1.9.13
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Server Hostname: 54.200.100.56 Server Port: 80

Document Path: /test.html
Document Length: 207 bytes

Concurrency Level: 1000

Time taken for tests: 5.385 seconds

Complete requests: 10000
Failed requests: 0
Write errors: 0
Keep-Alive requests: 10000

Total transferred: 4470540 bytes HTML transferred: 2071863 bytes

Requests per second: 1857.11 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request: 538.472 [ms] (mean)

Time per request: 0.538 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)

Transfer rate: 810.77 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)

min mean[+/-sd] median max Connect: 0 9 32.5 182 0 Processing: 66 381 865.2 220 4844 Waiting: 43 336 873.2 146 4844 Total: 66 390 893.4 222 5005

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)

50% 222 66% 247 75% 259 80% 267 90% 374 95% 2528 98% 4906 99% 4946

100% 5005 (longest request)

Server Software: nginx/1.9.13 Server Hostname: 54.200.100.56

Server Port: 80

Document Path: /test.php
Document Length: 208 bytes

Concurrency Level: 1000

Time taken for tests: 5.964 seconds

Complete requests: 10000
Failed requests: 0
Write errors: 0
Keep-Alive requests: 10000

Total transferred: 4706996 bytes HTML transferred: 2086448 bytes

Requests per second: 1676.83 [#/sec] (mean) Time per request: 596.365 [ms] (mean) Time per request: 0.596 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)

Transfer rate: 770.78 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)

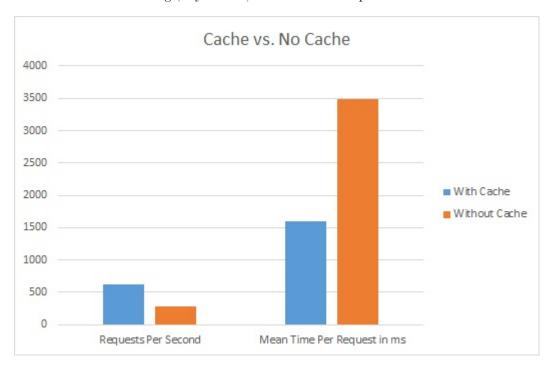
	${\tt min}$	mean[+/-sd]		${\tt median}$	max
Connect:	0	13	43.8	0	210
Processing:	81	475	933.3	305	4857
Waiting:	50	417	944.4	212	4857
Total:	81	488	971.0	309	5047

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)

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50%
        309
 66%
        325
75%
        347
80%
        399
90%
        445
95%
       2745
98%
       4971
99%
       5033
       5047 (longest request)
100%
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II. Apache Web Server performance with and without optimizations and tuning

This experiment is going to have a similar setup to the first one. We're going to compare the speeds of Apache with and with caching. We'll call an Apache Benchmark for a simple html file that included some references to an image, style sheet, and some Javascript. Here are the results:



Here are the rest of the statistics from the Apache Benchmark (without cache is first):

Server Software: Apache/2.2.31 Server Hostname: 54.200.100.56 Server Port: 80 /PES/sample.html Document Path: Document Length: 901 bytes Concurrency Level: 1000 Time taken for tests: 34.880 seconds 10000 Complete requests: Failed requests: Write errors: 0 Keep-Alive requests: Total transferred: 11875500 bytes HTML transferred: 9145150 bytes Requests per second: 286.70 [#/sec] (mean) Time per request: 3488.014 [ms] (mean) Time per request: 3.488 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests) Transfer rate: 332.49 [Kbytes/sec] received Connection Times (ms) min mean[+/-sd] median 3092 Connect: 1 129 232.7 64 Processing: 104 1193 3895.8 178 34729 83 1161 3894.5 161 34703 Waiting: Total: 130 1322 3909.8 245 34875 Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms) 50% 245 66% 447 75% 538 80% 581 90% 1174 95% 9164 98% 17612 99% 17675 100% 34875 (longest request) ************************************* Apache/2.2.31 Server Software: Server Hostname: 54.200.100.56 Server Port: 80 Document Path: /PES/sample.html Document Length: 877 bytes Concurrency Level: 1000 Time taken for tests: 16.017 seconds 10000 Complete requests:

> 13074998 bytes 10273880 bytes

(Connect: 0, Receive: 0, Length: 10003, Exceptions: 0)

10003

Failed requests:

Keep-Alive requests:

Total transferred: HTML transferred:

Write errors:

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624.35 [#/sec] (mean)
Requests per second:
                        1601.664 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:
Time per request:
                        1.602 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:
                        797.21 [Kbytes/sec] received
Connection Times (ms)
              min mean[+/-sd] median
                                        max
Connect:
                1 337 644.9
                                159
                                       7206
Processing:
               71
                  751 2036.8
                                 270
                                       15647
               70 750 2036.8
                                 270
                                       15647
Waiting:
Total:
              164 1087 2113.6
                                 492
                                       15806
Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)
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50%
        492
66%
        675
75%
       1127
80%
       1292
90%
       1652
95%
       3620
98%
       9088
99%
     15805
100%
     15806 (longest request)
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III. Discussion

As seen from the results in the first experiment, Nginx outperforms Apache tremendously, especially when it comes to serving a php file. In second experiment, Apache performed more than twice as well with caching compared to without caching. These are things to keep in mind when designing a high trafficking web application. If I were to recommend a configuration of a server, Nginx would be the way to go.