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discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p11723)

by **nadir** » August 23rd, 2011, 11:11 am

from here:
viewtopic.php?f=9&t=1226 (http://www.debianuserforums.org/viewtopic.php?f=9&t=1226)

No need to mention that its a result of what i have asked and been told here, in the forum.
As far i see cgi-bin apps and other mysql/php apps would fit in the discussion too
(from the ones i have tested drupal seems very powerful, but not as easy, and serendipity might be a good choice too. In case wordpress simply is not your thing, for what reason ever).

All you really need is the short summary at the bottom, and then fiddle and google a bit.

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13836)

by **mharrison** » October 15th, 2011, 1:58 am

Ok, so I followed everything, and it all works great from the server. I cannot, however, access anything but the index.html file that resides in /var/www/ from any other machine on my network. Been googling but all of the results I have been finding are for apache running in Windows and that frankly does me no good. Any ideas?

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13837)

by **nadir** » October 15th, 2011, 7:25 am

From the top of my head, a shot in the dark:
Did you do something similar to "cp /etc/wordpress/config-localhost.php /etc/wordpress/config-192.168.1.3"
assuming the IP of the server is like that?

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13842)

by **mharrison** » October 15th, 2011, 11:08 am

> *nadir wrote:*
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> /etc/wordpress/config-192.168.1.3"

assuming the IP of the server is like that?

I didn't do anything like that. I did try it but it didn't change anything other than screwing things up on the server itself. I'm purging and reinstalling right now. When I can I will get the text of the error message. It was late when I was doing all of this so I didn't think to write it down then.

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13865)
by **CiaW** » October 15th, 2011, 9:05 pm

I wanted to be able to access one of my virtual hosts from my laptop, to the local desktop server. But I didn't want to open port 80 on my firewall, and when I tried to use a different port it just didn't work, even though I changed it in the ports.conf file. Then I finally found an article that showed that one can have more than 1 'listen' port directive in the ports.conf and virtual host files. Here's the link to the article (I have a web setup file where I throw some of this info for later reference):
http://www.freebsdmadeeasy.com/tutorials/web-server/configure-apache-web-server-on-freebsd.php (http://www.freebsdmadeeasy.com/tutorials/web-server/configure-apache-web-server-on-freebsd.php)

So now my /etc/apache2/ports.conf has this:
NameVirtualHost *:80
Listen 80
Listen nnnn
Listen nnnn
(And nnnn = some port number you want to use.) Check the /etc/services file to see which ports aren't already alloted for other things, if you want. Here's an example for one of the virtual hosts config file, for the host that I want to access as my 'intranet'. I also added an alias that makes it a bit easier than typing the full http://192.168.0.10:nnnn (http://192.168.0.10:nnnn) to bring up the page. If someone knows of a better way please advise, but I did a lot of searching before I found this and got it to work.

```
<VirtualHost *:nnnn>
     ServerAdmin cia@localdomain
     DocumentRoot /var/www/mynet
     ServerName 192.168.0.10:nnnn
   ServerAlias  mynet
     ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/mynet-error_log
# Possible values include: debug, info, notice, warn, error, crit,
# alert, emerg.
     LogLevel warn
     CustomLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/access.log combined
<Directory /var/www/mynet>
Options Indexes Includes FollowSymLinks
AllowOverride None
Allow from 127.0.0.0/255.0.0.0 ::1/128 192.168.0.0/255.255.255.0
Order allow,deny
```

```
</Directory>
Alias /cianet/ "/var/www/mynet/"
    <Directory "/var/www/mynet/">
        Options Indexes MultiViews FollowSymLinks
        AllowOverride None
        Order deny,allow
        Deny from all
        Allow from 127.0.0.0/255.0.0.0 ::1/128
192.168.0.0/255.255.255.0
    </Directory>
```

After making those changes, you'll want to restart apache2. And I opened port nnnn on my server's firewall. While it's not specific to Wordpress, it's the same principle.

Edit-- I just re-read the original saying you could only access index.html from the other machine, and this was when I couldn't access anything. It may be you'll want to add the following to your httpd.conf file (or the apache2.conf file), so it'll pull up a php before an html, which is what I also had to do:

```
DirectoryIndex index.php index.html index.html.var
```

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13874)

by **mharrison** » October 16th, 2011, 12:02 am

This is the error message that I am getting

```
Neither /etc/wordpress/config-192.168.1.2.php nor
/etc/wordpress/config-168.1.2.php could be found.
Ensure one of them exists, is readable by the webserver and contains
the right password/username.
```

I tried adding the DirectoryIndex to both httpd.conf and apache2.conf and restarted apache but that didn't make any difference.

Edit...

I installed Serendipity and ran
```
ln -s /usr/share/serendipity /var/www/
```

and I can access it from all other computers on my network....it appears this issue is isolated to something with the config for Wordpress, just what is the question I am banging my head against the desk about.

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13889)

by **nadir** » October 16th, 2011, 2:02 pm

I recall that i had problems to reach wordpress from the WAN.

I don't recall i had problems with addresses in the LAN.
I had to cp /etw/wordpress/config-locahlhost.php.
Strange enough i got: config-192.168.1.89.php and config-dyndns.info.php, both being identical to config-localhost.php
If i can't recall it does not mean that nothing happened, perhaps i am wrong

What i did also was to edit:
-> login the web-interface -> settings -> "Wordpress address (URL)" and "Site address (URL)"
but i am quite sure that was neccessary to forward to the WAN.

Did you run something like:
```
bash /usr/share/doc/wordpress/examples/setup-mysql -n wordpress
localhost
```

As far i see, yes, you did, else it would not open at all. Still it was a part i overlooked more than once.

Funny enough i had problems with serendipity, and as the most easy way out i picked wordpress instead.
Not sure if that is a solution for you (as you were the one who recommended serendipity to me i guess it is a way out)

This link is quite clear, as far it's me:
https://help.ubuntu.com/community/WordPress (https://help.ubuntu.com/community/WordPress)

PS: scuttle was very easy to me. Install, ln to /var/www, done. Wordpress was a bit of a hassle too.

I am a bit confused, if this post is pointless, just ignore. 😅

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Re: discuss "local wordpress installation" (#p13912)

by **mharrison** » October 17th, 2011, 12:49 am

There I fixed it.

I ran
```
ln -s /etc/wordpress/config-localhost.php /etc/wordpress/config-
192.168.1.2.php
```

Now it works.

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