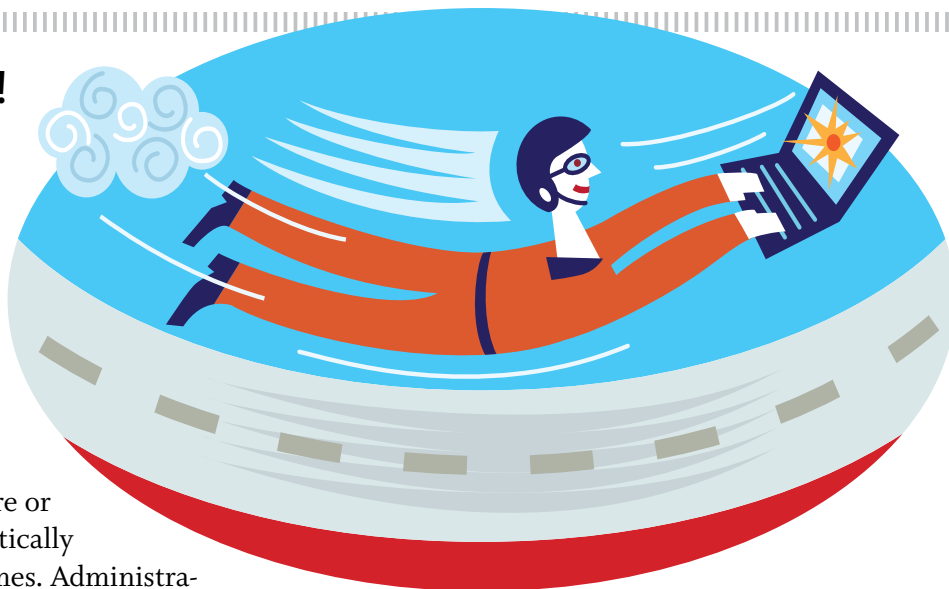


Speed up the apps...or else!

Whether you're on the road or working from a remote office, you shouldn't have to suffer from web applications that run so slowly they are practically unusable. And your network administrators shouldn't have to deal with costly and hard-to-manage point solutions as well as complaints from frustrated users. The new release of BIG-IP WebAccelerator, available for existing BIG-IP hardware or standalone, solves both problems, dramatically decreasing web application download times. Administrators have the flexibility to mix and match asymmetric, symmetric, or combination approaches to meet their specific performance needs, and maximize ROI. Plus, BIG-IP WebAccelerator is the only complete solution for accelerating web applications' SSL content, offloading SSL hardware and supporting FIPS SSL and SSL client certificates.

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BIG-IP 9.x provides the strength of TMOS

Are you an F5 customer who is still operating on BIG-IP 4.x? The latest generation of BIG-IP Application Delivery Controllers running 9.x software can improve the perfor-

mance of your applications and reduce your operating costs. At the core of the new version of BIG-IP is F5's TMOS architecture, which provides flexibility and control in managing network traffic. TMOS also assures high availability and security for your applications while it optimizes their performance.

BIG-IP 9.x has a highly intuitive graphical user interface that helps reduce installation and maintenance time and configuration errors. Robust remote management capabilities enable network administrators to both install and configure BIG-IP from a separate location. And because BIG-IP 9.x was designed with consolidation and modularity in mind, network administrators can convert many boxes to one and still experience increased performance. This release also improves SSL performance, and a full-proxy, layer 7 architecture assists in delivering applications.

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F5 wins architecture award at Microsoft conference

F5's Application Ready Network captured the Best of Tech-Ed Attendees' Pick Award in the Architecture category at Microsoft's Tech-Ed conference. More than 13,000 attendees had the opportunity to vote for the awards, which recognize companies offering innovative products and services in a variety of categories.

"Marquee recognition at one of Microsoft's premier events is powerful proof of the advantages of F5's Application Ready Network," says Calvin Rowland, director of business development at F5. "We were selected for this award by an attendee base of leading IT professionals, indicating that many Microsoft customers see the benefit of deploying F5 solutions to optimize networks for successful delivery of Microsoft applications."

Utilizing F5's entire solution portfolio, the Application Ready Network for Microsoft has been designed, tested, and documented to enhance and optimize the performance of Microsoft SharePoint Server 2007, Exchange Server 2007, Active Directory, and Live Communications Server 2005.

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Application delivery security for Web, SOA, and all applications

The benefits of true application-specific security protection are clear, yet companies often hesitate to deploy this protection. Customers sometimes find their web application firewalls hard to configure, while they balance their need to update web applications with security manageability. With the latest release of BIG-IP Application Security Manager (ASM), F5 has built a strong but flexible application firewall with double the performance of the previous release—improving adaptability, manageability, ease of use, and time to deployment. F5 redesigned the security capabilities to provide complete application firewalling and application delivery security. New features such as a real traffic policy builder and prebuilt application policies enable support for policy staging and automatic update detection, while the integrated XML firewall, policy evasion detection engine, data guard, and the ASM live update service provide complete application threat defenses for all applications.

Listen to the podcast and learn more about SOA security with F5's Lori MacVittie at www.f5world.com.

First IMS-ready application delivery controller for service providers

Increasing complexity, growing bandwidth requirements, and IPv6 migration plans have put a strain on service providers and telco companies deploying converged multimedia applications.

The new release of BIG-IP LTM provides these companies with a centralized network solution that optimizes voice and video delivery in an IMS infrastructure, ensuring that multimedia applications can be deployed to millions of users while maintaining high service quality.

BIG-IP LTM now performs application layer switching for SIP, RTSP, and SCTP protocols, providing high availability, fixing interoperability problems, furnishing an IPv6 gateway, and managing bandwidth for multimedia services whether in legacy networks or IMS deployments.

To learn more, read the whitepaper, *Building the Next Generation Network Bridge*,

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