Apache Benchmarking

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They're few tools out there which are most common in use to do benchmarking and stess test on webservers. One of them "the most common one"is called "ab" or apache benchmark Check it out here another very common tool is called flood Check it here Flood seems to be the newer and most accurate tool to use for stress testing unfortunately it has one weakness. It only works with configuration file which is in xml format. So every time before you start it you have to generate a new xml file to suite your needs. Also a tool recommended to me in the #apache in the irc.freenode.net network is called "jmeter", it's located here . I personally didn't tested it because it uses Java as a back end. While googling around I also have stucked on this interesting project PHPSPEED although I wasn't able to test it looks like a promising test suite.END-----