



ExakTime's Users Get Only the Fastest Software Downloads



ExakTime

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Industry

Wireless time tracking and payroll solutions for businesses.

Challenges

- Required a high throughput, scalable CDN to accommodate large file downloads and high traffic during new releases.
- Needed high-performance network to offload bandwidth and deliver software downloads, worldwide.

Results

- ExakTime saves money by offloading bandwidth from their servers.
- ExakTime's end-users always receive the fastest software downloads, even during large spikes in demand.

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Company Overview

ExakTime helps businesses eliminate the need for paper time cards by offering rugged, automated wireless time clocks, which ensure that business owners receive accurate time records and efficient payroll processing solutions. ExakTime's rugged time clocks are available in wireless, mobile, and rugged formats, featuring all-weather protection, cloud control, a powerful time tracking hub, and complete automation.

With ExakTime, more than 20,000 organizations around the world are better equipped to control their labor costs, increase workforce productivity and align with compliance standards.

Business Challenges

ExakTime's new software releases consisted of 100-150MB files, with customers downloading from all over the globe. While hosting these files internally in South Bend, Indiana, the large file sizes maxed-out the bandwidth from their servers, and ExakTime found themselves at risk of losing customers due to slow downloads. Before the situation could negatively affect their end-users, ExakTime sought an alternative solution to offload their files.

According to Eric Renken, Director of Software Development at ExakTime, "We started doing our research and found some Content Delivery Networks (CDN) - most of which were outrageously priced. We needed performance, global coverage and speed. We needed to get our content closer to the endpoints and out to our customers. Doing it ourselves wasn't economical."

The Results

Renken heard about CacheFly via TWiT.TV, since CacheFly powers TWiT's podcast and HD-video downloads. ExakTime began CacheFly's free trial and experienced the portal and CacheFly's extensive feature set. "We decided to move forward with CacheFly since we liked how CacheFly is setup and works," said Renken.

Getting up and running can seem daunting to any organization implementing a solution that handles mission-critical files. However, implementing CacheFly proved to be fast and easy. "We just FTP'd the files we needed to CacheFly's site, changed all the links to our files, and that was it," said Renken.

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With CacheFly, ExakTime receives, scalable, on-demand bandwidth that ensures fast and reliable software downloads from customers, regardless of traffic demand, or where they are located. After extensive use of CacheFly, ExakTime has been pleased with the results. "CacheFly has been working great for us. We use it for all of our uploads and it has significantly improved our performance and taken the burden off of our servers. We've been pretty pleased with the network performance. We'd definitely recommend CacheFly. It's fast, easy to use, easy to setup, and low cost."

Evaluating CDNs? Look for Throughput.

Most CDNs will try to convince you that Time To First Byte (TTFB) is the only measure of a CDN's performance. However, TTFB only measures how fast the web server is able to respond to a request, not Time To Last Byte (TTLB), or the total time from request to download. Your users' first request should be as fast as possible. You need a CDN that performs from the first byte to the last byte, and nobody does that better than CacheFly.



About CacheFly, The Throughput Experts

Launched in 2002, CacheFly developed the world's first TCP-anycast based Content Delivery Network (CDN), the only network built for throughput. From the first byte to the last byte, CacheFly delivers your files the fastest.

Learn why thousands of companies from over 80 countries trust CacheFly. Visit cachefly.com.

Are your files delivered fast enough?
Be the fastest with the throughput experts.

