

Re: Interesting speed benchmarks

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M. Warner Losh wrote:

On a lark, I just got a combo USB/Firewire external disk drive. I ran some crude benchmarks, and I was surprised by what I found. This is on a fairly stock -current kernel.

Firewire does around 40MB/s, while USB 2.0 maxes out at about 12MB/s.

Either amd64 is slower than i386, there has been a performance regression between 6.2-RELEASE and whatever version of FreeBSD you're running, or you have a rather slow external drive. I get 25MB/s from my Vantec Nexstar3 USB 2.0 enclosure:

<http://www.daemonology.net/blog/2006-01-28-vantex-nexstar3.html>

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