

Apache 2.x and FrontPage SE

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Hello,

We have a new product in development that runs Apache 2.x and requires FrontPage Server Extensions. The extensions installed fine (2002 1.1), and adding the extension functions to vhosts has gone fine as well, using the owsadm.exe binary. However, the FrontPage client application cannot seem to authenticate with the server. The username/password prompt is received in the client though.

I have read a few remarks online that suggest it might be a problem of the FPSE using DES passwords and Apache using MD5. Can anyone confirm that this is a problem on FreeBSD 4.9? If so, is there a clean way to fix this? I've read some stories of people changing all the libcrypt calls to libcrypt to try to change to different crypt form, but I'd really rather not make any source changes if possible.

I ran a kernel trace of the Apache process and it's children and descendants. I was looking for the section where it tried to authenticate the user from the FrontPage client, but I kept seeing places where it seemed that the author.exe program was not receiving a username, but perhaps this is the way it is supposed to work.

Any help or insight would be greatly appreciated.

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