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To: debian-user@lists.debian.org

On Mon, 1 Dec 2003 17:12:12 -0600,
"Hoyt Bailey" <hoyt13@wiredok.com> wrote in message
<011301c3b860\$95639b10\$eb5a22d0@blackgold>:

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Arnt Karlsen" <arnt@c2i.net>
> To: <debian-user@lists.debian.org>
> Sent: Monday, December 01, 2003 13:34
> Subject: Re: ..how do I tell apt-get | dpkg about bad files off a bad
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>> On Mon, 01 Dec 2003 13:59:34 -0500,
>> Mark Roach <mrroach@okmaybe.com> wrote in message
>> <1070305173.5497.16.camel@flmrroach.okmaybe.com>:
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>>> On Mon, 2003-12-01 at 11:05, Arnt Karlsen wrote:
>>>> Hi,
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>>>> ..on remastering a wee knoppix derivative, the disk whined about
>>>> read errors down the /usr/XFree86 tree, so I moved my tree to
>>>> another disk, and figured apt-get --reinstall or some such
>>>> should fix it for me.
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>>>> ..the "some such" is the problem; how do I get "apt-get
>>>> --re-install" to overwrite my bad files??? Or, tell the apt-get
>>>> |
>>>> dpkg database about bad files off a bad disk?
>>>
>>> Does "apt-get install --reinstall <packagename>" work? you might
>>> need to erase the cached .deb file from /var/cache/apt/archives/
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>> ..nope: root@not a tty[/]# ping ftp.us.debian.org
>> PING ftp.us.debian.org (216.37.55.114) 56(84) bytes of data.

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> > 64 bytes from rama.progeny.com (216.37.55.114):
> > icmp_seq=1 ttl=49 time=152 ms
> > 64 bytes from rama.progeny.com (216.37.55.114):
> > icmp_seq=2 ttl=49 time=153 ms
> > 64 bytes from rama.progeny.com (216.37.55.114):
> > icmp_seq=3 ttl=49 time=151 ms
> >
> > --- ftp.us.debian.org ping statistics ---
> > 3 packets transmitted, 3 received, 0% packet loss, time 2023ms
> > rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 151.806/152.593/153.209/0.739 ms
> > root@not a tty[/]# ping ftp.no.debian.org
> > PING spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10) 56(84) bytes of data.
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10): icmp_seq=1
> > ttl=57 time=22.7 ms
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10): icmp_seq=2
> > ttl=57 time=17.2 ms
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10): icmp_seq=4
> > \ttl=57 time=21.1 ms
> >
> > --- spheniscus.uninett.no ping statistics ---
> > 4 packets transmitted, 3 received, 25% packet loss, time 3017ms
> > rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 17.279/20.406/22.796/2.311 ms
> > root@not a tty[/]# cat /etc/apt/sources.list
> > deb http://ftp.us.debian.org/debian/ stable main non-free contrib
> > #
> > deb http://ftp.no.debian.org/debian/ stable main non-free contrib
> > #deb http://non-us.debian.org/debian-non-US/ testing/non-US \
> > main contrib non-free
> > #deb http://ftp.no.debian.org/debian-non-US/ testing/non-US main \
> > contrib non-free
> > #deb-src http://non-us.debian.org/debian-non-US/ testing/non-US \
> > main contrib non-free
> > #deb http://www.modularity.org/knoppix ./
> > root@not a tty[/]# apt-get install --reinstall xserver-common
> > Reading Package Lists... Done
> > Building Dependency Tree... Done
> > Sorry, re-installation of xserver-common is not possible, it \
> > cannot be downloaded.
> > 0 packages upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and \
> > 0 not upgraded.
> > root@not a tty[/]#
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> > Building Dependency Tree... Done
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> > cannot be downloaded.
> > 0 packages upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 \
> > not upgraded.
> > root@not a tty[/]# ping -R ftp.no.debian.org
> > PING spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10) 56(124) bytes of data.
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10):
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> > icmp_seq=1 ttl=57 time=18.8 ms
> > RR: 192.168.2.249
> > 192.168.1.22
> > 80.239.32.254
> > 80.239.26.35
> > 213.225.70.122
> > vlan80.stv-msfc1.no.sn.net (213.225.109.14)
> > 213.225.109.226
> > nix-gw.no.sn.net (193.156.90.21)
> > oslo-gw1.uninett.no (158.36.2.2)
> >
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10):
> > icmp_seq=2 ttl=57 time=25.1 ms (same route)
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10):
> > icmp_seq=3 ttl=57 time=24.3 ms (same route)
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10):
> > icmp_seq=4 ttl=57 time=451 ms (same route)
> > 64 bytes from spheniscus.uninett.no (158.36.2.10):
> > icmp_seq=5 ttl=57 time=278 ms (same route)
> >
> > --- spheniscus.uninett.no ping statistics ---
> > 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0% packet loss, time 5344ms
> > rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 18.857/159.719/451.849/176.465 ms
> > root@not a tty[/]# ping -R ftp.us.debian.org
> > PING ftp.us.debian.org (204.152.189.120) 56(124) bytes of data.
> >
> > --- ftp.us.debian.org ping statistics ---
> > 34 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 33012ms
> >
> > root@not a tty[/]# vi /etc/apt/sources.list # weeded yank sites
> > root@not a tty[/]# apt-get install --reinstall xserver-common
> > Reading Package Lists... Done
> > Building Dependency Tree... Done
> > Sorry, re-installation of xserver-common is not possible,
> > it cannot be downloaded.
> > 0 packages upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove
> > and 0 not upgraded.
> > root@not a tty[/]# apt-get update
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/main Packages
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/main Release
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/non-free Packages
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/non-free Release
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/contrib Packages
> > Hit http://ftp.no.debian.org/stable/contrib Release
> > Reading Package Lists... Done
> > Building Dependency Tree... Done
> > root@not a tty[/]# apt-get install --reinstall xserver-common
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> > 0 packages upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove
> > and 0 not upgraded.
> > root@not a tty[/]# cat /root/dsl-0.5-selections | grep ^x
> > xbase-clients install
> > xfont install
> > xfonts-75dpi install
> > xfonts-base install
> > xfree86-common install
> > xlib6g install
> > xlibmesa3 install
> > xlibs install
> > xmms install
> > xpdf-common install
> > xserver-common install
> > xutils install
> > root@not a tty[/]#
> >
> > ..long lines cut to wrap nicely.
> >
> > Ok You proved something. Was it that ftp.debian.org was unreliable,
> > not allways responding, dropping data, or is the web at fault. I
> > would like more explanation please.
> > Hoyt
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..very good question. I put ftp.us.debian.org back in, and it updates just fine, just like off ftp.no.debian.org. No appreciable packet loss yesterday AFAICT, and I sometimes do see some, I'm on a wifi link.

..anything anyone wants me to try before I rip this system down and start over off a fresh cd? The bad data came from a bad cd.

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..med vennlig hilsen = with Kind Regards from Arnt... ;-)
...with a number of polar bear hunters in his ancestry...
  Scenarios always come in sets of three:
    best case, worst case, and just in case.
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