Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by sniper12345 on Thu, 22 Jul 2004 03:55:54 GMT

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I post and get a invalid_session error. Sometimes I can post, like the posts that show up and are by me, yet sometimes I can't. Obviously if you are reading this now I've been able to post this.

What is wrong?

Subject: Beats me

Posted by Obelisk on Thu, 22 Jul 2004 04:04:46 GMT

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Beats Me

Subject: Re: wtf is this?

Posted by Anonymous on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 01:02:49 GMT

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Same thing happened to me, and I think I know what the problem is. The post either has profanity beyond belief, or your computer is having trouble sorting out your posts, the ones you've written recently, and the ones written in the past.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by flyingfox on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 02:13:00 GMT

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Negative, it's a forum-specific error that also occurs on the avatar selection pages for some people.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Fabian on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 02:59:06 GMT

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It happens to me almost every other time I try to post when I'm at work...

Is it anything that is fixable?

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Xtrm2Matt on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 07:48:03 GMT

Simple fix.. you click <- Back then click Forward -> and try again.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by npsmith82 on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 11:12:01 GMT

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What you are seeing is a bug that is within PHPBB version 2.0.4 - it has since been corrected with PHPBB version 2.0.6. It can be cured by upgrading to the latest version, it's that simple.

It's related to your ISP (more commonly AOL) bouncing you around different servers whilst on the webpage. Only problem here is, that Crimson has heavily modified the design of these forums to look like the previous WS ones.

If it were easy for Crimson to update to the latest PHPBB version 2.0.10, i'm sure she would. But she would have to spend days modifying the php code again, to keep the WS style forums.

Quote: My AOL based users keep getting logged out!

phpBB2 uses sessions to keep track of users as they browse the board. These sessions use a combination of a unique session id and the users IP to identify each user. We make use of the IP as an extra safe-guard to help prevent sessions being hijacked (by discovering the unique session id).

Unfortunately this only works when the users IP is constant as they browse the board. For most users this will be the case. However certain providers route their users via a cluster of proxys. In some cases, particularly AOL this results in different IPs being forwarded as the user moves between pages. We take account of this by not checking the entire IP but only the first "three quads". Again in most cases this will be fine. However again AOL uses IPs which can vary so much that checking only the first two quads results in a fairly static IP being available for session validation.

If you are experiencing problems related to this you can make a small change to the code. Please note that reducing the IP validation length does potentially increase the risk of sessions being hijacked (this is something for you to consider, phpBB Group takes no responsibility should anything happen!). The change requires you to open the file sessions.php in the includes/directory of the distribution. Find line 250, it contains the following

\$ip_check_s = substr(\$userdata['session_ip'], 0, 6);

change this to:

\$ip_check_s = substr(\$userdata['session_ip'], 0, 4);

You need to make exactly the same change to the number 6 in the next line. Save the file (and upload it if required). This should reduce or eliminate the problem noted.

Also, read this page, it'll tell you more about the problem.

http://www.phpbb.com/kb/article.php?article_id=54

Quote:In modcp.php, change

'PAGINATION' => generate_pagination("modcp.\$phpEx?" . POST_FORUM_URL . "=\$forum_id", \$forum_topics, \$board_config['topics_per_page'], \$start),

into

'PAGINATION' => generate_pagination("modcp.\$phpEx?" . POST_FORUM_URL .

"=\$forum_id&sid=" . \$userdata['session_id'], \$forum_topics, \$board_config['topics_per_page'], \$start),

Crimson, you may wanna try changing that code, apparently it cures the problem for some people.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Anonymous on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 13:40:33 GMT

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One problem there pal, I don't use AOL and the avatar section still keeps screwing with me!!

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by npsmith82 on Sat, 24 Jul 2004 14:50:50 GMT

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sw33tOne problem there pal, I don't use AOL and the avatar section still keeps screwing with me!!As i said, it's related to your ISP (more commonly AOL). Your ISP must do something the same way that AOL does with its users.

Still, it's not curable, until Crims updates the phpBB source files.

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Posted by Anonymous on Sun, 25 Jul 2004 00:47:46 GMT

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I don't really have an Internet server provider, I link my comp with my friends.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by spreegem on Sun, 25 Jul 2004 13:49:36 GMT

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Actually, you do, it's your friends ISP . . .

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Posted by Anonymous on Sun, 25 Jul 2004 17:03:54 GMT

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AHHHHHH, ok then.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Jzinsky on Tue, 27 Jul 2004 15:59:43 GMT

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Sounds like Renguard is burning toast and killing goldfish again too..

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by npsmith82 on Tue, 27 Jul 2004 18:40:43 GMT

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JzinskySounds like Renguard is burning toast and killing goldfish again too..Umm... on topic anyone? What're you on about? :rolleyes:

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Posted by Anonymous on Wed, 28 Jul 2004 18:33:54 GMT

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Rengaurd isn't killing cheaters, and isn't taking names.

What I'm trying to say here, is that Renguard is pointless and won't help you.

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Posted by rm5248 on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 01:01:32 GMT

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And that has to do with this topic because.....?

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by npsmith82 on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 01:11:51 GMT

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rm5248And that has to do with this topic because......?My thoughts exactly...

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Anonymous on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 02:01:35 GMT

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npsmith82rm5248And that has to do with this topic because......?My thoughts exactly...

It's my sediments exactly!!

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by mahkra on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 02:51:05 GMT

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Is that a joke, or did you mean to say 'sentiments'?

(I don't mean to be nitpicking here. I'm seriously just wondering if you misspoke accidentally or intentionally. Because if it was intentional, that's kinda funny. But I guess it was too subtle for me to get it.)

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Posted by Aircraftkiller on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 03:13:21 GMT

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And yet you have the audacity to call anyone else an idiot.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by mahkra on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 03:42:15 GMT

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AircraftkillerAnd yet you have the audacity to call anyone else an idiot.

You clearly don't understand sarcasm.

Subject: wtf is this?

Posted by Anonymous on Thu, 29 Jul 2004 06:21:04 GMT

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mahkrals that a joke, or did you mean to say 'sentiments'?

(I don't mean to be nitpicking here. I'm seriously just wondering if you misspoke accidentally or intentionally. Because if it was intentional, that's kinda funny. But I guess it was too subtle for me to get it.)

It was a joke.