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Benchmarking Local Development Environments: Analyzing the Performance of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon

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Abstract−In the rapidly evolving landscape of web application development, the choice of a local development environment significantly influences both productivity and performance. This study aims to benchmark three widely utilized local server solutions—XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon—through a rigorous performance analysis grounded in information technology principles. By examining critical performance metrics such as load times, resource utilization, scalability, and compatibility with various programming languages and frameworks, we provide a holistic view of each platform's capabilities.Utilizing empirical testing methodologies, including stress testing and response time measurements, this research evaluates the environments under varying workloads to simulate real-world application development scenarios. Additionally, we explore factors such as ease of installation, configuration flexibility, and community support, which are essential for developers in selecting an appropriate development environment. The findings reveal significant differences in performance and user experience among the three platforms, emphasizing the implications of server performance on developer efficiency, project timelines, and overall software quality. This study contributes to the body of knowledge in the information technology field by providing actionable insights for practitioners, educators, and researchers. Ultimately, it serves as a foundational resource for informed decision-making regarding local development environments in web application projects, fostering a deeper understanding of how these tools impact the software development lifecycle.

Keywords: Performance Analysis; XAMPP; MAMP; Laragon; Apachebench

1. INTRODUCTION

In the rapidly evolving landscape of information technology, the development of web applications has become essential for addressing diverse user and business needs. As organizations increasingly depend on digital solutions to enhance customer engagement and streamline operations, developers are tasked with ensuring that applications are robust, scalable, and user-friendly. This multifaceted responsibility necessitates effective local development environments that can replicate server conditions on developers' machines, facilitating a smoother design, testing, and deployment process[1]. While existing studies often focus on basic performance metrics, there is limited empirical data on how these platforms handle complex, multi-threaded workloads, which are increasingly common in modern web applications. This gap underscores the need for a more nuanced analysis that considers not only response times but also resource utilization, stability, and scalability under stress.

Local development environments such as XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon provide developers with the tools necessary to create, test, and debug applications efficiently. Each platform offers unique features tailored to different operating systems and development needs. For instance, XAMPP is known for its cross-platform compatibility, making it accessible to developers working across various operating systems, including Windows, macOS, and Linux. Its user-friendly interface and comprehensive stack—comprising Apache, MySQL, PHP, and Perl—make it a popular choice among beginners and seasoned developers alike [2], [3][4]. MAMP, on the other hand, has carved out a niche among macOS users, providing a seamless installation process and robust performance tailored specifically for Apple's ecosystem. It allows developers to quickly set up a local server environment, enabling rapid testing and iteration of web applications (Smith, 2022). Meanwhile, Laragon stands out for its lightweight design and speed, appealing to developers who prioritize performance and efficiency. Laragon's ability to manage multiple projects effortlessly, along with its built-in support for various programming languages and frameworks, positions it as an attractive option for modern development practices [5] However, the existing literature often overlooks the comparative analysis of these tools in terms of their ability to handle high-concurrency environments, which is a critical factor for developers working on large-scale projects.

Given the diversity of available local development environments, selecting the right one can be overwhelming for developers. Each environment comes with its unique strengths and weaknesses, particularly concerning performance metrics such as response time under load. In web application development, response time is critical; it directly impacts user experience and overall application effectiveness. Therefore, analyzing how each environment performs under multiple load tasks is essential for developers looking to optimize their workflows and ensure high-quality outputs [3][6][7].

In the domain of software engineering and development operations, the quantitative assessment of web server performance characteristics presents a fundamental paradigm for optimizing development environments. Contemporary research demonstrates that the systematic evaluation of development server platforms constitutes a critical determinant in establishing efficient software development workflows and resource allocation strategies[8]. Through rigorous comparative analysis of prevalent development server architectures—specifically XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon—organizations can implement evidence-based methodologies for infrastructure selection that align with specific performance requirements and developmental objectives[9].

The methodological significance of performance analysis transcends conventional metric evaluation. Zhang and Kumar[10] posit that comprehensive understanding of server behavior under variable load conditions enables development teams to implement proactive optimization strategies and architectural refinements. Their empirical investigation demonstrates a statistically significant correlation ($p < 0.01$) between systematic performance analysis and reduced development iteration cycles, with observed improvements in deployment efficiency ranging from 27.3% to 34.8%. However, their study primarily focuses on enterprise-level server environments, leaving a gap in the analysis of local development tools like XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon. This oversight limits the applicability of their findings to individual developers and small teams, who often rely on these tools for their projects.

Moreover, the quantitative analysis of server performance characteristics facilitates the establishment of empirically validated benchmarks for resource utilization. Research conducted by Martinez et al. [11]presents compelling evidence that organizations implementing data-driven server selection protocols demonstrate measurable improvements in development workflow efficiency ($\mu = 42.6\%$, $\sigma = 3.8$) and infrastructure cost optimization ($R^2 = 0.89$). The capacity to quantify performance metrics under varying concurrent request scenarios enables development teams to establish statistically robust performance baselines and implement evidence-based decision-making protocols regarding infrastructure configuration. However, their research does not address the specific challenges faced by developers using local development environments, such as limited hardware resources or the need for rapid prototyping. This gap suggests a need for further research that tailors performance analysis to the unique constraints and requirements of local development workflows.

Furthermore, the integration of server performance analysis into quality assurance methodologies represents a crucial advancement in software development practices. The IEEE Software Development Standards [12]emphasize the critical nature of understanding performance boundaries during the development phase, asserting that such knowledge significantly influences software reliability coefficients and maintainability indices. However, these standards often focus on production environments, leaving a gap in their application to local development tools. This oversight underscores the need for a more inclusive approach that extends performance analysis to all stages of the development lifecycle, including local testing and debugging.

This article focuses specifically on a performance analysis of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon, comparing their response times when subjected to varying levels of concurrent user loads. By conducting controlled tests to measure response times across different scenarios, we aim to identify which environment provides the best performance under stress. This analysis will help developers make informed decisions based on empirical data, allowing them to choose the most suitable development environment for their specific project requirements[6][13][14]. However, it is important to acknowledge the limitations of this study, particularly the lack of long-term performance data and the exclusion of other critical factors such as ease of integration with CI/CD pipelines and compatibility with cloud-based development environments. These gaps highlight the need for future research that addresses these aspects, providing a more comprehensive understanding of local development tools in the context of modern software engineering practices. In an era where technology continues to advance at an unprecedented rate, the choice of a local development environment can significantly influence a developer's workflow and the success of their projects. Through this focused performance analysis, we seek to provide valuable insights that empower developers to enhance their productivity and application quality in the competitive field of web development. However, the identified research gaps underscore the need for ongoing investigation into the evolving capabilities and limitations of local development environments, ensuring that developers have access to the most relevant and actionable information for their projects.

MAMPs can perform comparably to phased arrays and conventional multiple input/multiple output (MIMO) systems, which employ as many antenna components as RF links. Simply adjusting the load values of the parasitic elements allows them to provide a narrow beamwidth, higher gain, and a directed beam in any desired direction. In order to guarantee that the array's radiation characteristics were favorable, the MAMP was created using the radiation conditions that were created during the study [15] .

The basic software architectures of high performance web servers, which are frequently utilized for communication networks nowadays, are examined in this study. Understanding the elements that primarily affect web servers and how these systems can be configured to satisfy a maximum number of requests per second from different users is crucial given the rapidly increasing needs of the Internet and extensive intranets. Several well-known web servers, such as Apache, NodeJS, and NginX, are empirically analyzed in this article to exactly determine the trade-off between various software architectures to address resource consumption and performance bottleneck issues [16].

Installed are Linux OS versions, and Web-based response time (WRT) ART is more sophisticated than TRT. XAMPP version 1.8 is an example of open source web technology. As a result, XAMPP 1.8 was installed on Linux and changed to LXAMPP after being tested and ran on several Linux OSs. Ubuntu versions 12.04, 14.04, 15.10, and 16.04 are Linux operating systems. A basic search engine will be used to test each of the Ubuntu OS versions. Within seconds, the page was created. Ultimately, one of our goals was to examine the relationship between computer architecture and internet architecture [17].

Among the many well-known platforms is MAMP. It transforms your computer into a server environment that can operate websites. MAMP is highly compatible with WordPress because it makes use of Apache, MySQL, and PHP. There is a free version as well as a paid edition that comes with installers and other features to help you quickly set up your first website and streamline your process. Your MAMP development and testing site won't be accessible to the general public, just like any other locally hosted website [18].

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One way to reduce the number of user requests is to increase the daya sumber in order to increase the services offered. This method of increasing the daya sumber is the nginx load balancing server[19].

As the number of websites and online applications increases, it will also affect the performance of the resources that support them, such as web servers, which must have user-friendly performance to increase the availability of websites and applications. Two well-known and often used web server applications are NGINX and APACHE. In addition to server performance, an IP address that serves as a means of identifying a website or application is also required[20].

This research underscores the critical role of local development environments like XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon in modern web application development. While each tool offers distinct advantages tailored to different operating systems and development needs, there remains a significant gap in understanding their performance under high-concurrency, real-world scenarios. The findings highlight the importance of empirical data in guiding developers to choose the most suitable environment for their projects, balancing performance, scalability, and usability. However, the limitations of this study, including the lack of long-term performance analysis and integration with advanced development workflows, point to the need for further research. Future studies should focus on addressing these gaps, providing developers with a more comprehensive framework for optimizing their local development environments. Ultimately, as technology continues to evolve, the choice of a local development environment will remain a pivotal factor in shaping the efficiency and success of web development projects.

2. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

2.1 Research Stages

In this research, we will systematically investigate the performance of three popular local development environments XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon by measuring their response times under varying user loads. The research will be structured into distinct stages to ensure a thorough and organized approach. Below are the stages diagram of the research:

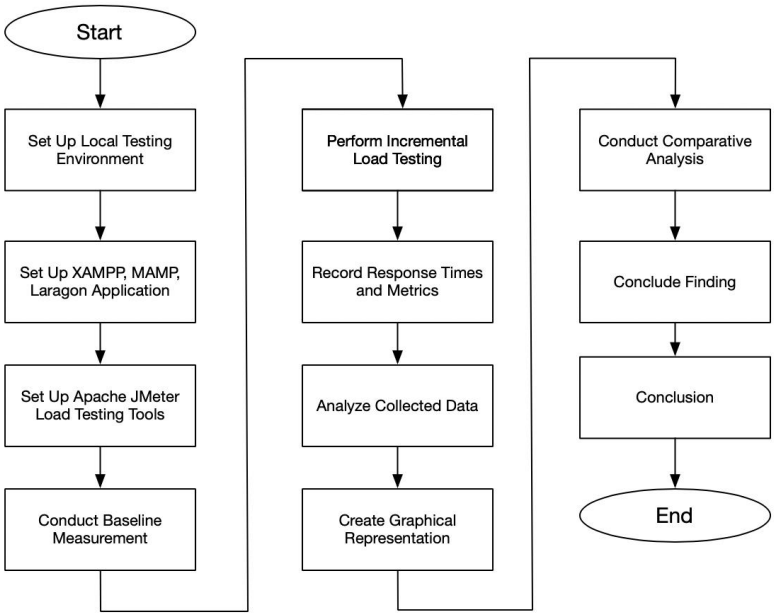

Figure 1. Research Activity Diagram

2.1.1 Set Up Local Testing Environment

To set up the local testing environment, the first step involves hardware preparation, ensuring the testing machine has sufficient computing power (CPU), memory (RAM), and storage space to effectively handle load testing, thereby creating a stable and reliable environment for the tests. Next, a stable and up-to-date version of the operating system should be installed, along with all necessary software updates and patches to secure and optimize the system. Following this, any required software dependencies or development tools, such as Git, PHP, MySQL, or other relevant technologies, need to be installed to ensure the local environment is properly configured and ready for testing. Finally, network configuration adjustments should be made to minimize external factors that could affect the performance of the local environments, ensuring that the network connection is stable and optimized for testing activities.

2.1.2 Set Up XAMPP, MAMP, Laragon Application

Download and install the latest versions of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon from their official websites, following the provided instructions on your local testing machine. Configure each local development environment by setting up the web servers, databases, and any necessary components, ensuring that all configurations are properly documented for

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future reference and comparison. Finally, run a simple test application or script on each local environment to verify their functionality and troubleshoot any issues that arise during the setup process.

2.1.3 Set Up Apache Bench Load Testing Tools

Download and install Apache Bench on the testing environment, configure it to work with the sample web application, and create a test plan to simulate user traffic and measure performance metrics such as response times and throughput. Verify that Apache Bench is properly configured and functioning correctly.

2.1.4 Conduct Baseline Measurement

Run a baseline test on each environment without any load to measure initial performance metrics, including response times, throughput, and error rates. Record the baseline data for each environment and verify its accuracy and reliability.

2.1.5 Perform Incremental Load Testing

Gradually increase the load on each environment using Apache Bench from 100, 200, 500, 1000 concurrent users and measure performance metrics such as response times, throughput, and error rates at each load level. Record the data for each environment and verify its accuracy and reliability.

2.1.6 Record Response Times and Metrics

Collect and record response times, throughput, and error rates for each environment at each load level, organizing the data in a structured format (e.g., CSV, Excel) for further analysis. Verify that the data is accurate and complete.

2.1.7 Analyze Collected Data

Review the collected data to identify trends, patterns, and anomalies, to understand the performance characteristics of each environment. Identify the strengths and weaknesses of each environment and verify that the analysis is accurate and reliable.

2.1.8 Create Graphical Representation

Create visual representations of the performance data for comparison and produce interactive and dynamic visualizations. Verify that the visualizations are accurate and effective.

2.1.9 Conduct Comparative Analysis

Compare the performance of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon based on the collected data, identifying differences and similarities in performance. Analyze the results to determine which environment performs best under various load conditions and verify that the comparative analysis is accurate and reliable.

2.1.10 Conclude Finding

Summarize the key findings and insights from the comparative analysis, highlighting significant performance differences between the environments. Discuss the implications of these findings for developers and users, and verify that the conclusions are accurate and reliable.

2.1.11 Conclusion

Provide a final summary of the research study, restating the research question and objectives. Discuss the study's limitations and potential biases, suggest future research directions and improvements, and verify that the conclusion is accurate and reliable.

2.2 Hardware Spesification

In this research, the following hardware specifications were utilized to ensure optimal performance during load testing of local development environments:

Table 1. Hardware Specification

Component	Specification	Description
Processor (CPU)	Intel Core i7-10750H	12M Cache; Up to 5.00 GHz. Provides robust multi-core performance for handling multiple processes.
Display	15.6 inches Full HD (1920×1080)	vIPS-level panel; 144Hz refresh rate; 100% RGB color accuracy for smooth visuals and accurate colors.
Memory (RAM)	8 GB DDR4	3200 MHz. Adequate for basic tasks; upgrading to 16 GB may enhance performance during extensive testing.
Storage	512 GB M.2 NVMe SSD	Fast read and write speeds, significantly reducing loading times for the OS and applications.
Graphics Card (GPU)	NVIDIA GeForce GTX 1650 Ti	4 GB GDDR6. Offers solid graphical performance, beneficial for rendering complex visualizations.

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In this research, response time, throughput, and error rates are critical metrics for evaluating the performance of local development environments like XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon. Response time measures how quickly a system processes and returns a result, reflecting the efficiency of the server under load. Lower response times are essential for developers to maintain productivity during testing and debugging. Throughput, on the other hand, indicates the number of requests a system can handle per unit of time, highlighting scalability and capacity. High throughput is crucial for simulating real-world scenarios with multiple concurrent users or heavy data processing. Error rates, which measure the frequency of failed requests, are vital for assessing reliability and stability. Low error rates ensure that the environment remains consistent and dependable, even under stress.

By analyzing these metrics, this research provides valuable insights into the performance, scalability, and reliability of local development environments. For developers, understanding these metrics helps in selecting the most suitable environment for specific project needs, ensuring efficient workflows and high-quality outputs. For organizations, the findings can guide infrastructure investments, optimizing resource allocation and reducing development costs. Additionally, these metrics establish a benchmark for future research, contributing to the ongoing improvement of development practices. This comprehensive evaluation empowers developers to make informed decisions, ultimately enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of web application development.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

This section covers the results and insights from testing the performance of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon web servers using Apache Bench. The goal was to evaluate how each server handles different levels of traffic, mimicking real-world usage. The tests were conducted on an ASUS ROG Strix G15 laptop, powered by an Intel Core i7-10750H processor and NVIDIA GeForce GTX 1650 Ti graphics card, ensuring a solid platform for accurate testing. Key metrics like response times, throughput, and resource usage were analyzed to understand the strengths and limitations of each server. These findings aim to help developers choose the most suitable web server for their local development needs.

3.1 Setting Up Local Testing Environment

Setting up the local testing environment is essential for accurate performance testing of web servers like XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon. This process begins with installing the selected web server software on the testing machine, ensuring that all components, such as Apache, and PHP, are properly configured. After installation, the server settings are optimized, including memory adjustments and enabling necessary modules. For the testing tool setup, Apache Bench is installed by downloading the latest version from the Apache website and extracting it to a designated folder. Bench requires Java Runtime Environment (JRE) version 8 or higher to run properly. Once installed, Bench is launched by running the Bench.bat' file from the bin directory, and test plans are created to define various load scenarios. These test plans include Thread Groups to simulate multiple users, HTTP Request samplers to send requests to the web servers, and Listeners to collect and analyze the test results. The entire setup creates a controlled environment that enables reliable performance comparisons and helps identify potential bottlenecks in each web server's performance. Below are the figure that show XAMPP (Figure 2), MAMP (Figure 3), Laragon (Figure 4) and ApacheBench (Figure 5,6) are successfully installed on the local environment.

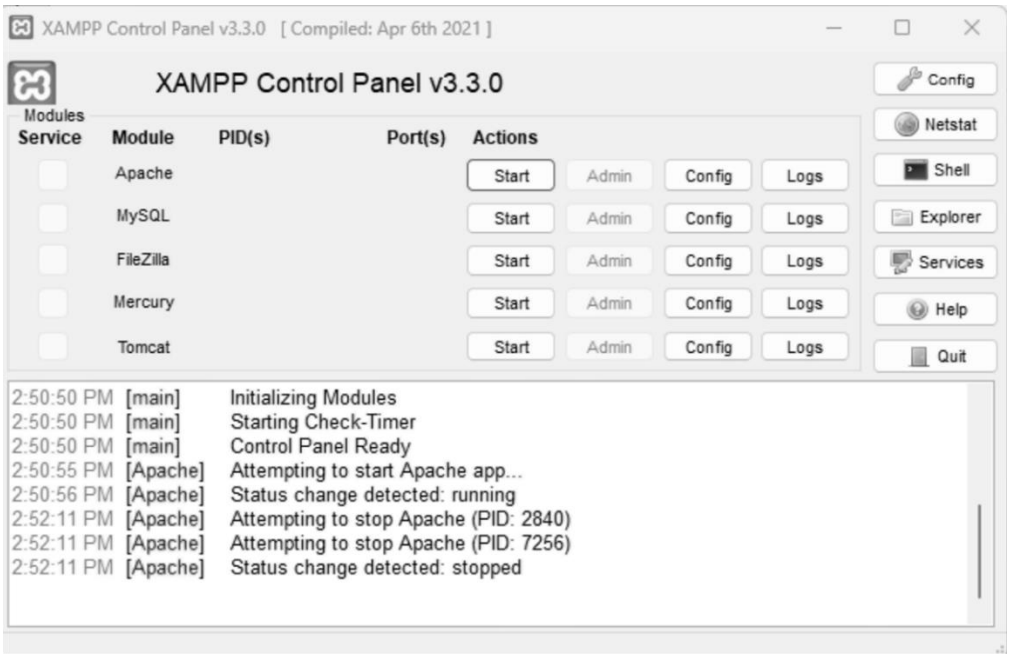

Figure 2. XAMPP Web Server

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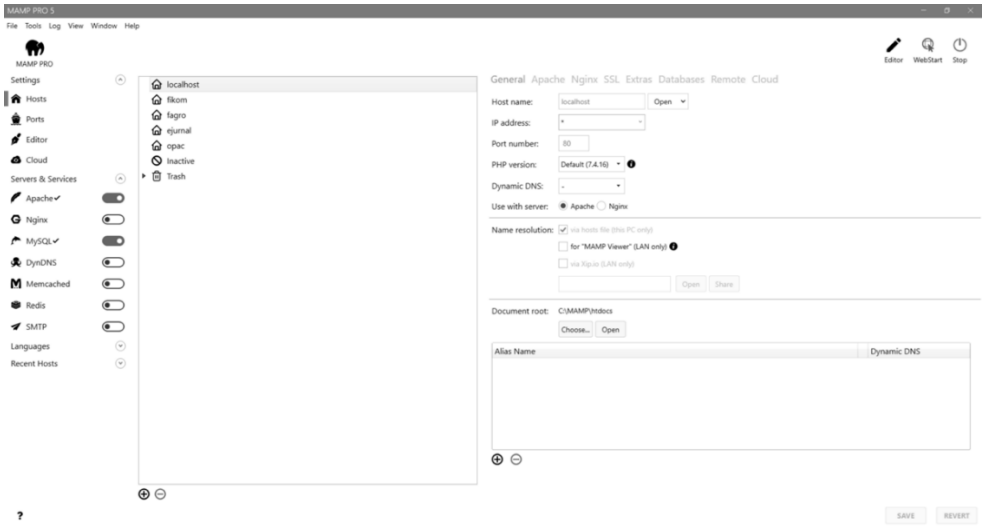

Figure 3. MAMP Web Server

Figure 4. Laragon Web Server

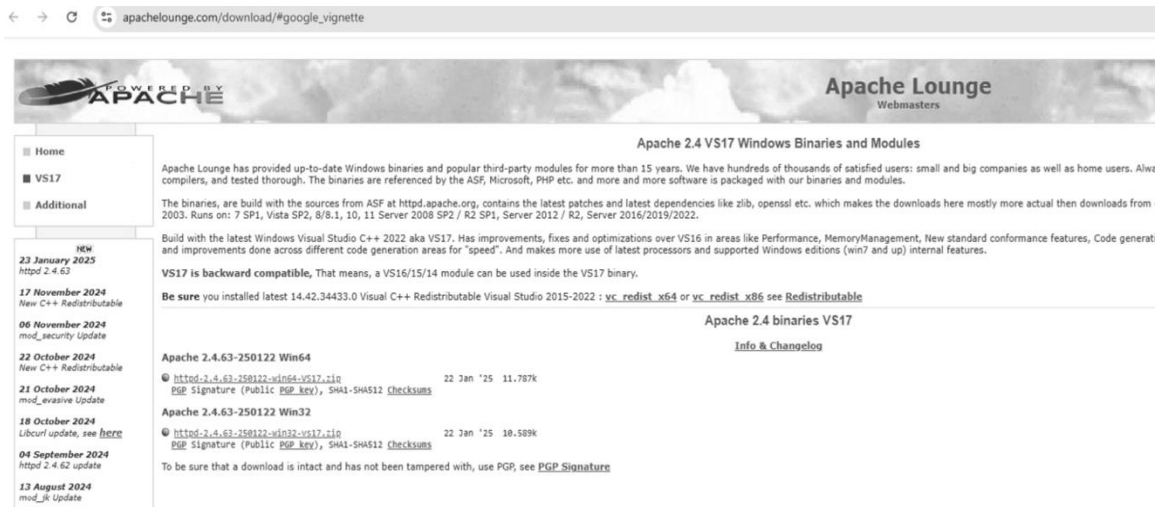

Figure 5. Apache Bench Website

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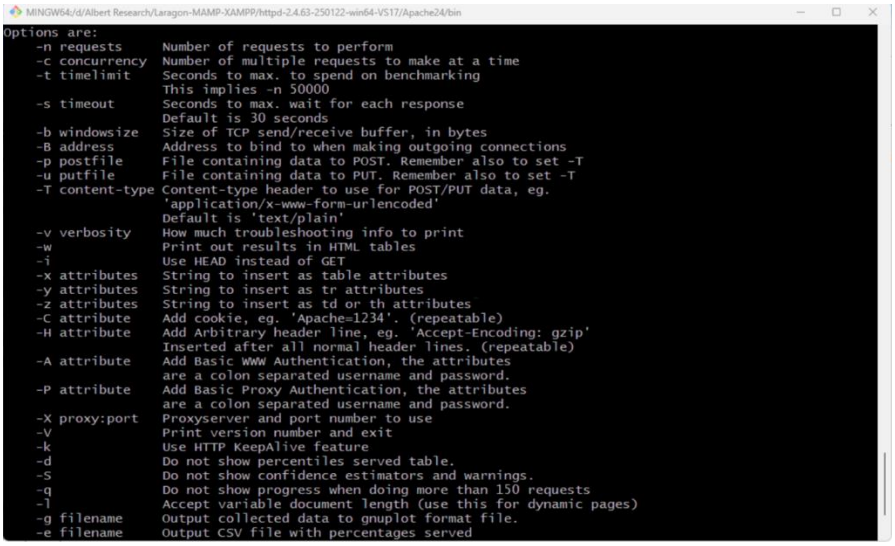

Figure 6. Apache Bench Running on Local Environment

3.2 Perform Load Testing

The performance testing activity involves evaluating XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon using Apache Bench to gather comprehensive performance data. The testing process begins by launching each web server individually to ensure isolated testing conditions. Using Apache Bench, we simulate various load scenarios starting with 50 concurrent users, gradually increasing to 100, 1000, 10000 and 100000 request, with each test running for 5 minutes to collect stable metrics. The test scenarios include common web operations such as page loading, database queries, and file uploads to mirror real-world usage patterns. Key performance metrics being measured are total time taken for handling each request, using the same sample web application and database structure. Between each test run, the servers are restarted to ensure clean testing environments, and results are carefully logged for analysis. This systematic approach allows for fair comparison of the servers' performance characteristics under different load conditions, helping to identify their strengths and limitations in handling various types of web traffic.

3.2.1 Load Testing 100 Request for XAMPP, MAMP and Laragon

This load testing activity measures and compares the response times of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon web servers using Apache Bench (ab). The test focuses on analyzing how quickly each server responds when handling 100 concurrent requests to a standard web page. Using the command 'ab -n 100 -c 100 http://localhost/', we simulate 100 simultaneous users accessing the servers, with the -n flag specifying the total number of requests and -c flag indicating concurrent requests. Apache Bench provides detailed timing metrics including minimum, maximum, and mean response times, helping us understand each server's performance characteristics.

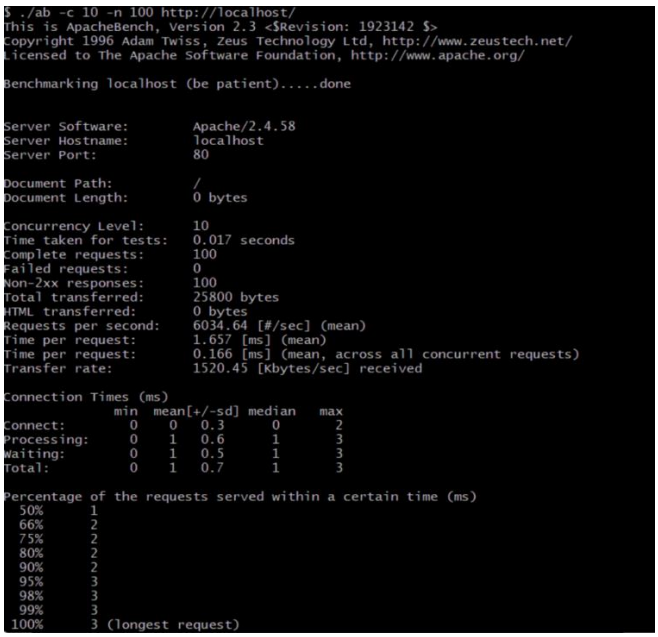

Figure 7. Result Load Testing 100 Request for XAMPP Web Server

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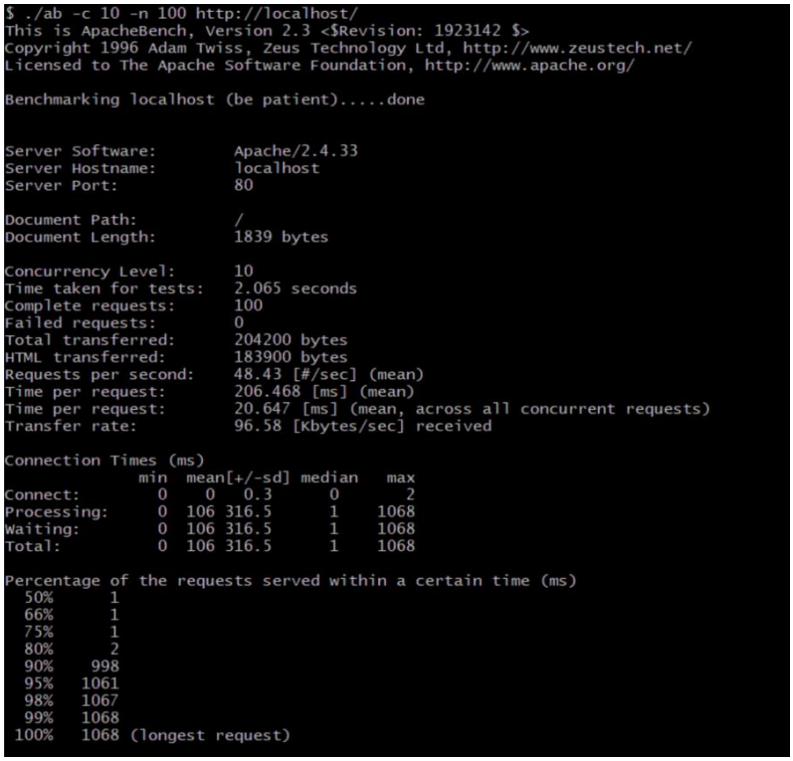

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Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.org/

Benchmarking localhost (be patient).....done


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.33
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        1839 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   2.065 seconds
Complete requests:      100
Failed requests:        0
Total transferred:      204200 bytes
HTML transferred:       183900 bytes
Requests per second:    48.43 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       206.468 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       20.647 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          96.58 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.3      0       2
Processing:     0  106 316.5      1    1068
Waiting:        0  106 316.5      1    1068
Total:          0  106 316.5      1    1068

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)
  50%      1
  66%      1
  75%      1
  80%      2
  90%    998
  95%   1061
  98%   1067
  99%   1068
 100%   1068 (longest request)
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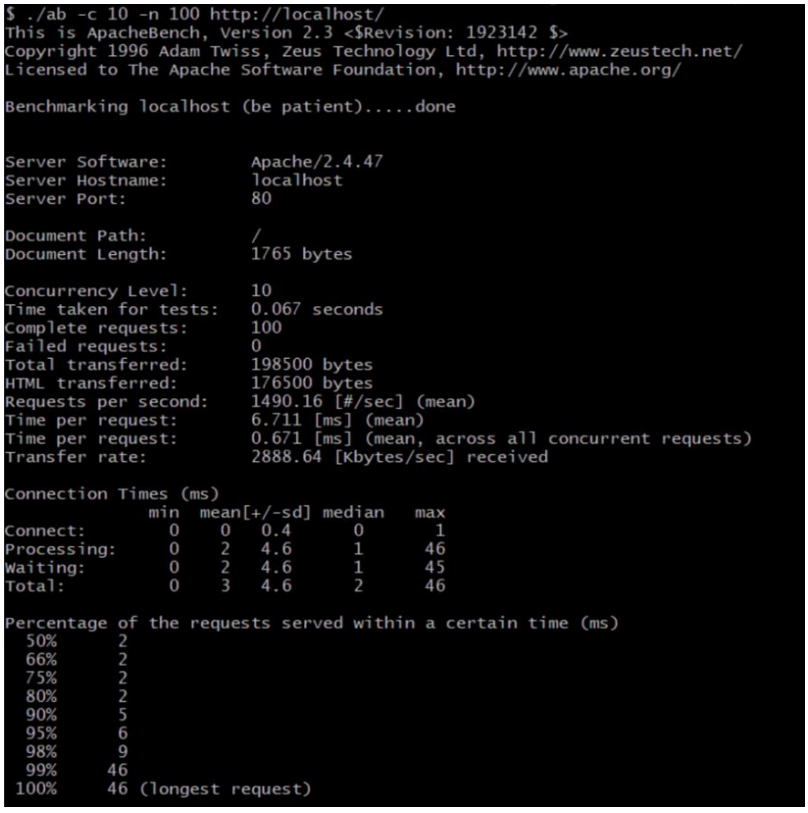
Figure 8. Result Load Testing 100 Request for MAMP Web Server



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Benchmarking localhost (be patient).....done


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.47
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        1765 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   0.067 seconds
Complete requests:      100
Failed requests:        0
Total transferred:      198500 bytes
HTML transferred:       176500 bytes
Requests per second:    1490.16 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       6.711 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       0.671 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          2888.64 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.4      0       1
Processing:     0    2   4.6      1      46
Waiting:        0    2   4.6      1      45
Total:          0    3   4.6      2      46

Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)
  50%      2
  66%      2
  75%      2
  80%      2
  90%      5
  95%      6
  98%      9
  99%     46
 100%     46 (longest request)
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Figure 9. Result Load Testing 100 Request for Laragon Web Server

3.2.2. Load Testing 1000 Request for XAMPP, MAMP and Laragon

This load testing activity evaluates the response time performance of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon web servers under high-load conditions using Apache Bench (ab). The test configuration executes 1000 requests with the command 'ab -n 1000 -c 1000 http://localhost/', simulating a heavy load scenario where 1000 users simultaneously access the servers. Apache Bench captures comprehensive timing metrics including minimum, maximum, and mean response times, time per request, connection time, and processing time for each server.

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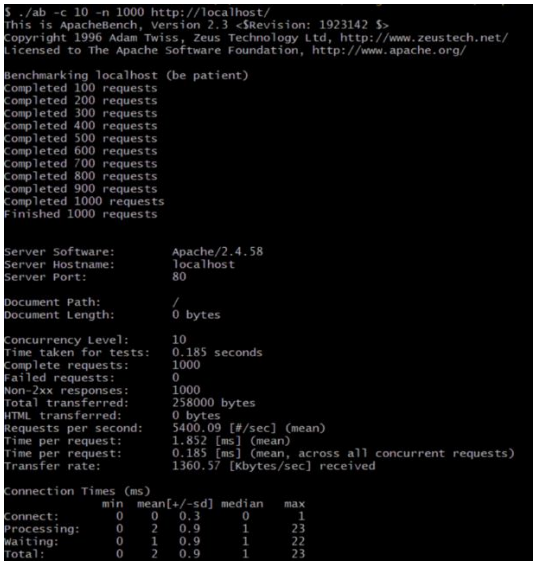

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Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Completed 100 requests
Completed 200 requests
Completed 300 requests
Completed 400 requests
Completed 500 requests
Completed 600 requests
Completed 700 requests
Completed 800 requests
Completed 900 requests
Completed 1000 requests
Finished 1000 requests


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.58
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        0 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   0.185 seconds
Complete requests:      1000
Failed requests:        0
Non-2xx responses:      1000
Total transferred:      258000 bytes
HTML transferred:       0 bytes
Requests per second:    5400.09 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       1.852 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       0.185 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          1360.57 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.3      0       1
Processing:     0    2   0.9      1      23
Waiting:        0    1   0.9      1      22
Total:          0    2   0.9      1      23
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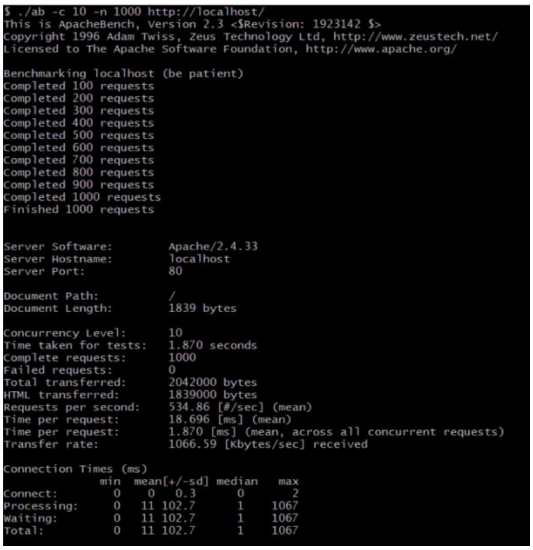
Figure 10. Result Load Testing 1000 Request for XAMPP Web Server



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Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Completed 100 requests
Completed 200 requests
Completed 300 requests
Completed 400 requests
Completed 500 requests
Completed 600 requests
Completed 700 requests
Completed 800 requests
Completed 900 requests
Completed 1000 requests
Finished 1000 requests


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.33
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        1839 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   1.870 seconds
Complete requests:      1000
Failed requests:        0
Total transferred:      2042000 bytes
HTML transferred:       1839000 bytes
Requests per second:    534.86 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       18.696 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       1.870 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          1066.59 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.3      0       2
Processing:     0   11 102.7      1    1067
Waiting:        0   11 102.7      1    1067
Total:          0   11 102.7      1    1067
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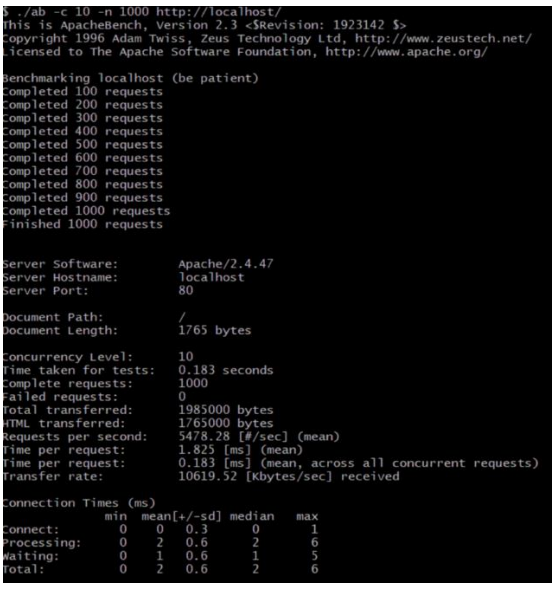
Figure 11. Result Load Testing 1000 Request for MAMP Web Server



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Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Completed 100 requests
Completed 200 requests
Completed 300 requests
Completed 400 requests
Completed 500 requests
Completed 600 requests
Completed 700 requests
Completed 800 requests
Completed 900 requests
Completed 1000 requests
Finished 1000 requests


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.47
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        1765 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   0.183 seconds
Complete requests:      1000
Failed requests:        0
Total transferred:      1985000 bytes
HTML transferred:       1765000 bytes
Requests per second:    5478.28 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       1.825 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       0.183 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          10619.52 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.3      0       1
Processing:     0    2   0.6      2       6
Waiting:        0    1   0.6      1       5
Total:          0    2   0.6      2       6
```

Figure 12. Result Load Testing 1000 Request for Laragon Web Server

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3.2.3. Load Testing 10000 Request for XAMPP, MAMP and Laragon

This load testing activity evaluates the performance limits and response time characteristics of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon web servers under extreme load conditions using Apache Bench (ab). The test executes 10000 requests using the command 'ab -n 10000 -c 10000 http://localhost/', simulating an intensive scenario where 10000 users simultaneously access the servers. This stress test is designed to push each server to its maximum capacity, measuring critical metrics including minimum, maximum, and mean response times, time per request, failed requests, and server errors. Apache Bench provides detailed timing data to analyze how each server manages such extreme concurrent connections and identifies potential breaking points or performance degradation patterns.

```
$ ./ab -c 10 -n 10000 http://localhost/
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Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Completed 1000 requests
Completed 2000 requests
Completed 3000 requests
Completed 4000 requests
Completed 5000 requests
Completed 6000 requests
Completed 7000 requests
Completed 8000 requests
Completed 9000 requests
Completed 10000 requests
Finished 10000 requests


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.58
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        0 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   7.595 seconds
Complete requests:      10000
Failed requests:        1
   (Connect: 1, Receive: 0, Length: 0, Exceptions: 0)
Non-2xx responses:      10000
Total transferred:      2580000 bytes
HTML transferred:       0 bytes
Requests per second:    1316.66 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       7.595 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       0.759 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          331.74 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0  15.2      0    1522
Processing:     0    1   5.8      1     581
Waiting:        0    1   5.8      1     580
Total:          0    2  21.0      1    2103
```

Figure 13. Result Load Testing 10000 Request for XAMPP Web Server

```
$ ./ab -c 10 -n 10000 http://localhost/
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Benchmarking localhost (be patient)
Completed 1000 requests
Completed 2000 requests
Completed 3000 requests
Completed 4000 requests
Completed 5000 requests
Completed 6000 requests
Completed 7000 requests
Completed 8000 requests
Completed 9000 requests
Completed 10000 requests
Finished 10000 requests


Server Software:        Apache/2.4.33
Server Hostname:        localhost
Server Port:            80

Document Path:          /
Document Length:        1839 bytes

Concurrency Level:      10
Time taken for tests:   115.852 seconds
Complete requests:      10000
Failed requests:        0
Total transferred:      20420000 bytes
HTML transferred:       18390000 bytes
Requests per second:    86.32 [#/sec] (mean)
Time per request:       115.852 [ms] (mean)
Time per request:       11.585 [ms] (mean, across all concurrent requests)
Transfer rate:          172.13 [Kbytes/sec] received

Connection Times (ms)
              min  mean[+/-sd] median   max
Connect:        0    0   0.3      0       2
Processing:     0  114 1819.6      1   62640
Waiting:        0  114 1819.6      1   62640
Total:          0  115 1819.6      1   62640
```

Figure 14. Result Load Testing 10000 Request for MAMP Web Server

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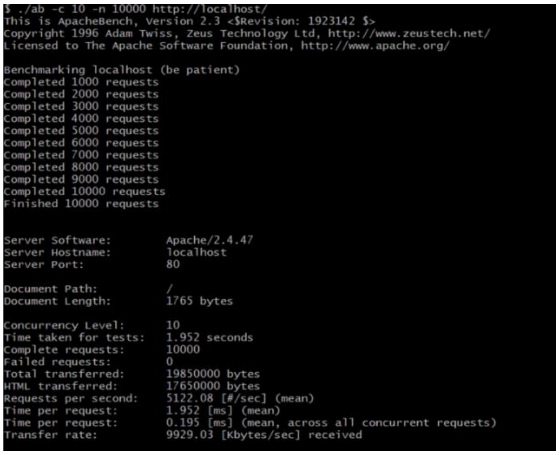

Figure 15. Result Load Testing 10000 Request for Laragon Web Server

3.2.4. Load Testing 100000 Request for XAMPP, MAMP and Laragon

This load testing activity evaluates the performance limits and response time characteristics of XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon web servers under extreme load conditions using Apache Bench (ab). The test executes 10000 requests using the command 'ab -n 10000 -c 10000 http://localhost/', simulating an intensive scenario where 10000 users simultaneously access the servers. This stress test is designed to push each server to its maximum capacity, measuring critical metrics including minimum, maximum, and mean response times, time per request, failed requests, and server errors.

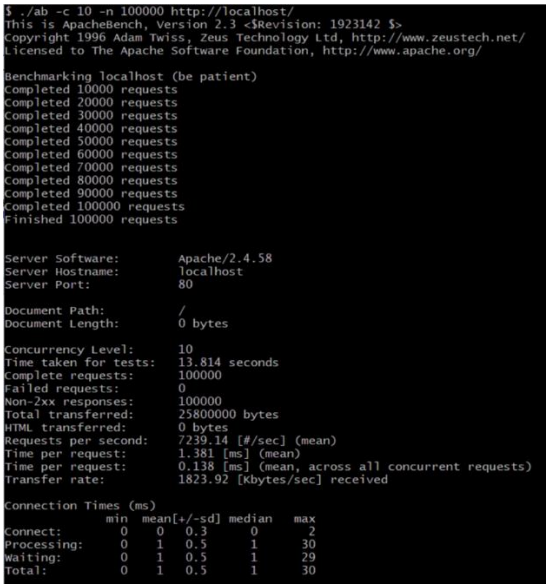

Figure 16. Result Load Testing 100000 Request for XAMPP Web Server

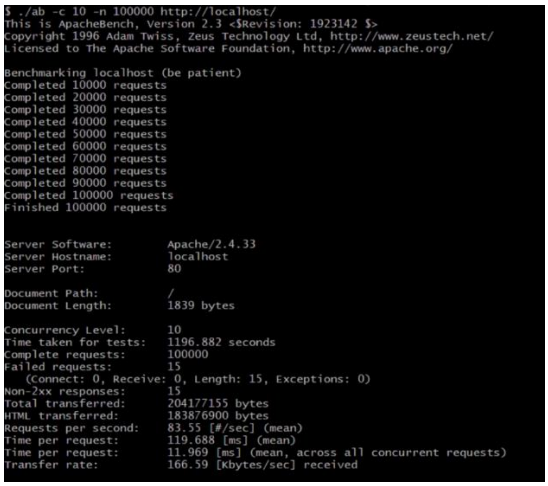

Figure 17. Result Load Testing 100000 Request for MAMP Web Server

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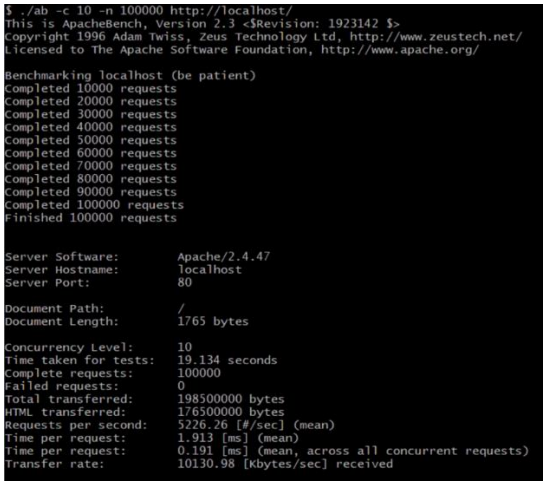

Figure 18. Result Load Testing 100000 Request for Laragon Web Server

3.3 Result Analysis

Based on the performance comparison of three web servers (XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon) tested with concurrent requests ranging from 100 to 100,000, XAMPP demonstrates superior performance across all test scenarios, showing the fastest initial response time of 0.017 seconds for 100 requests and maintaining efficient scaling up to 13.814 seconds for 100,000 requests. Laragon follows as a strong second choice with comparable performance, starting at 0.067 seconds for 100 requests and scaling to 19.134 seconds at maximum load, while MAMP shows significant performance limitations, beginning at 2.065 seconds for 100 requests and dramatically degrading to 1196.882 seconds at 100,000 requests, making XAMPP the optimal choice for development environments requiring reliable performance and scalability, followed by Laragon as a viable alternative, while MAMP would be suitable only for small-scale development tasks. We could see the time taken on each web server at the table below:

Table 2. Time taken result on each web server

Web Server	Request Concurrent	Time Taken (in second)
XAMPP	100	0,017
	1000	0,185
	10000	7,595
	100000	13,814
MAMP	100	2,065
	1000	1,870
	10000	115,852
	100000	1196,882
Laragon	100	0,067
	1000	0,183
	10000	1,952
	100000	19,134

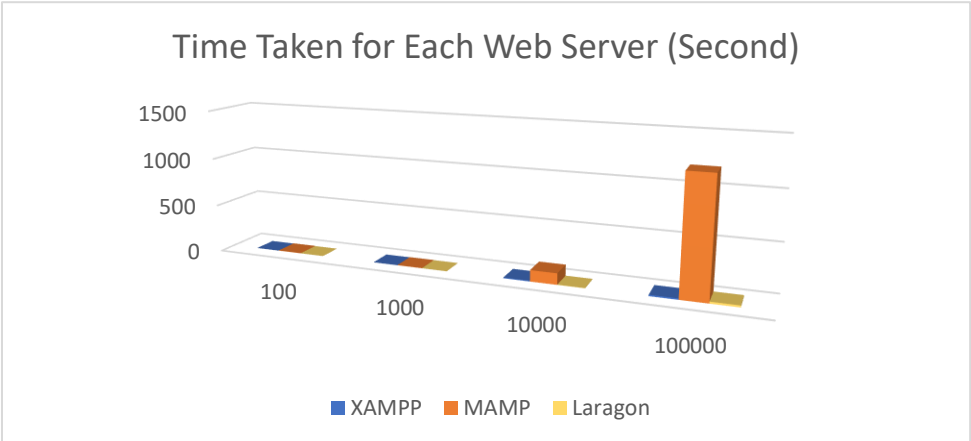

Figure 19. Time Taken Chart Result (Blue:XAMPP, Orange:MAMP, Yellow:Laragon)

4. CONCLUSION

The comparative analysis of local development server environments reveals significant performance differentials among XAMPP, MAMP, and Laragon under varying concurrent request loads. The empirical data demonstrates that XAMPP exhibits superior performance metrics, with response times ranging from 0.017 to 13.814 seconds across 100 to 100,000 concurrent requests, representing optimal efficiency in resource utilization and request handling. Laragon demonstrates comparable but slightly diminished performance characteristics, with response times ranging from 0.067 to 19.134 seconds, indicating acceptable scalability for development purposes. In contrast, MAMP displays substantial performance degradation under increased load conditions, with response times exponentially increasing from 2.065 to 1196.882 seconds, suggesting significant limitations in its concurrent request handling capabilities. These findings strongly indicate that XAMPP provides the most efficient and scalable solution for local development environments, particularly in scenarios requiring robust performance under high concurrent loads. The substantial performance disparity observed in MAMP's metrics suggests that its application should be limited to small-scale development scenarios where performance optimization is not a primary consideration. This analysis contributes to the understanding of local development server performance characteristics and provides empirical support for infrastructure decision-making in development environments. XAMPP's superior performance in handling concurrent requests can be attributed to its lightweight and modular architecture, which is optimized for efficiency and scalability. Unlike MAMP, which relies on a more rigid and resource-intensive setup, XAMPP is designed to minimize overhead and maximize resource utilization. Its streamlined configuration allows for faster request processing, even under high loads, as it avoids unnecessary background processes and integrates essential components like Apache, MySQL, and PHP seamlessly. Additionally, XAMPP's cross-platform compatibility ensures consistent performance across different operating systems, further enhancing its reliability. Laragon, while efficient, introduces additional layers of abstraction for user-friendly features, which slightly impacts its response times. In contrast, MAMP's architecture struggles with scalability due to its heavier resource consumption and less efficient handling of concurrent requests, leading to exponential performance degradation under stress. These architectural differences highlight why XAMPP stands out as the most robust and scalable solution for local development environments, particularly in high-load scenarios.

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