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Finger-pointing Meetings?

How can we resolve which part of the code is the problem. I hate going to these meetings where all we do is 'finger-point'

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Problem:

A multi-tier application slows down. The Team Leader calls a meeting. "What's causing the slowdown?" Each attendee points to the person on the right!

- How do you stop the finger-pointing?
- How do you eliminate these meetings?
- How do you identify the root cause?



Break the Cycle

- > The Web team blames the mid-tier
- > The mid-tier team blames the database
- > The database team blames the network
- > The Network team blames the web server
- > Repeat

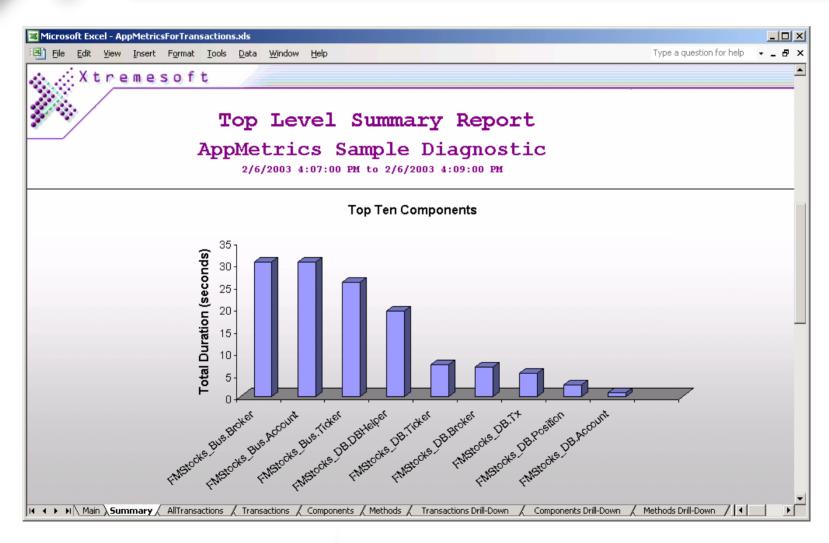


AppMetrics Historical Metrics

- > You can identify the responsible module...
- You can compare:
 - same component, different backend
 - same load, different software version
 - same database, new web page
 - And so forth...
- ...and eliminate those modules (and team members) whose performance has not changed...

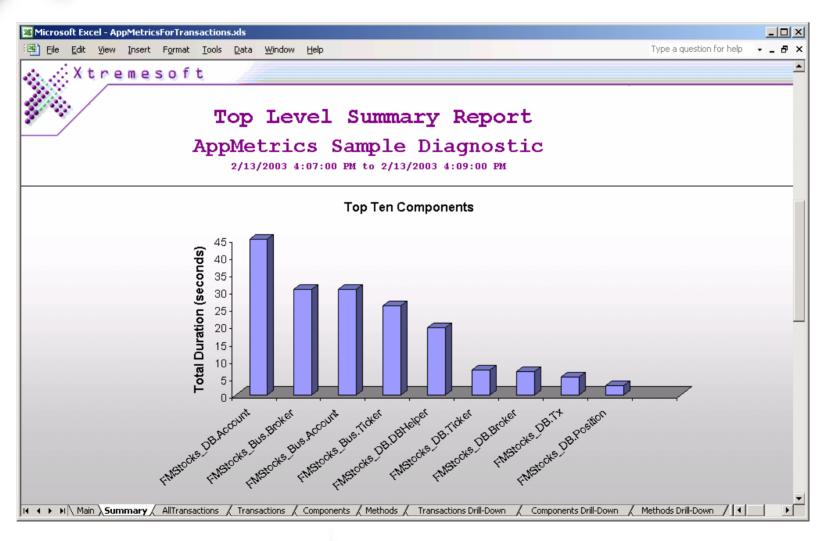


If it looked like this last time...





why does it look like this now?





Eliminate Unnecessary Participants

- By identifying where performance has changed, you can focus on the likely root causes.
- This is true in all software phases:
 - Development, testing before Check-in
 - Quality Assurance, verifying before Release
 - Operations, resolving production problems



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What our Customers are saying:

"You guys are awesome! In less than 5 minutes, these drilldown reports traced the exact component and method that were giving me trouble - we saved weeks."