

New Improvement On Tariffs

Since the existence of GoFaster is spreading around and the amount of users has increased enormously, due to its efficient and drastic behaviour, 12 and 6 month licenses which have been applied till today, are going short in the face of users foresights. Since January first of 2003, two new type licenses, of 18 and 24 months, have been activated which means proportional improvements on prices.

Jammy Days' Alternative

Many installations register normal response times and results and slowdowns in certain moments, sometimes for a long time, but at the same time of the day, therefore not enough to justify the investment on a machine extension. These overload moments normally take place at the end of the month, add up periods or foreseeable situations.

Having to improve the processor, interactive factor, memory or disks, because a three or four day monthly overload could be necessary though perhaps absurdly expensive and difficultly justifiable.

Various clients have resorted to GoFaster as a solution for these punctual situations. Its cost is ease to assume, even having present that the rest of the time, the response or load level for AS/400, can make unnecessary GoFaster's contribution.

Changing Models WON'T Improve Interactive

Changing from a 170 to 270 model, or from a 720 to a 830, improve several factors, as for example the new processors technology. One of the elements that compose the new configuration is the Interactive Factor. In several occasions, changing a model to another, still maintain the same Interactive Factor performance.

The immediate consequence is that the general performance can improve, but the jobs executed as Interactive will have the same performance. So if we want to improve the interactive jobs results it is not necessary to improve the processors capacity but the Interactive Factor's.

Let's see an example. Model 170-2386 has a 70 Interactive CPW and a General CPW of 460. If we migrate to a 270.22AB model, which has a 70 Interactive CPW and a General CPW of 2000, the potential general performance would multiply 4,34 times, but the interactive would keep remaining the same. Interactive CPW on models 170, 270, 730 or 840 doesn't change at all, the same as capacity or speed on disks won't change, because we change our AS/400 model.

If the only reason for changing is the low interactive performance the proper thing to do is to increase only the Interactive Factor. Specially when we detect enough resources on CPU, memory and disks. Technically it's the easiest extension though its cost is very important. The alternative most simple, economic and well known is using GoFaster software. The cheapest and cleanest option.

GoFaster Popular Alternative

Only in Spain, up to a thousand installations have asked for GoFaster software's copies, because of its efficiency and easy use. Naturally, in certain occasions problems within performance had nothing to do with the Interactive Factor limitation, and for that, the increase of the interactive potential produced by GoFaster, had no real effect. A big part of these copies have remained installed with its correspondent license and enjoying its CPU capacity completely.

High Politics

An important insurance firm has acquired a GoFaster license to avoid an expensive extension on Interactive Factor. Besides saving several million euros, as its General Director says, their intention is to call on attention IBM to get better services and bigger respect for its corporation interests. Probably, IBM will understand the message and acts consecutently.

Argentinean Firm

An Argentinean firm, with an AS/400 almost with its interactive level saturated, has chosen to increase, with GoFaster, its Interactive Factor. It was a 35 CPW en with GoFaster it will be 810 CPW. The cost will be 2.000\$. The same CPW level with IBM products costs 24.000\$. Economic circumstances in this country makes them screw there brains, but we should ask ourselves why should we give away money to IBM instead of increasing salaries, for example.