

SES can cause trouble if you're not careful

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So I recently deployed some SES URL code to a big site we did. One thing I forgot to do was adjust a layout file that is used by sort of sister site - same content, different layouts.

Anyway, I did not add the BASE HREF tag to this layout file. The layout file uses about 50 images or so, all called via a virtual directory.

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Since I forgot to add a BASE HREF, each image call was preceded with the entire SES url:

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So each image request actually called a page of the site! Worse yet, the code took MYDIR as a url parameter, which caused the code to throw an error (an unexpected value).

So each page request was throwing about 50 or so errors, each of which resulted in a robust error report sent to my inbox. I'm still getting email messages 30 minutes later. Ugh.