
Initial Load is Slow

Posted by hedgelayer - 2012/03/08 14:50

Hi - Using ARI Image Slider and very nice it is too. However, the load of my home page (with the slider) is very slow. It seems that the Slider loads all the images from the named directory at one go. I have about 40 images with a total size of about 2.8 Mbytes.

Other than using fewer images, or making them smaller - can you suggest any other way to speed up this initial load ? Can I get the slider to only load images when it needs them ?

Thanks for any help
James

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by admin - 2012/03/08 16:40

Hello,

"ARI Image Slider" uses "Nivo Slider" jQuery plugin and it is implemented in way to load all images.

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by maranius - 2012/04/24 20:07

My problem looks similar:
(www.katayu.at)

initial load time is about 3 to 4 seconds,
slide show consists of 6 pictures
each appr. 25KB
this shouldn't be too much.
Any further hint?

many thanks - maranius

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Posted by admin - 2012/04/24 20:21

Try to set "Load method" parameter to "DOM Ready" in module settings.

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by maranius - 2012/04/25 05:53

thx for your fast reply.

attached are my current settings;
load method is called "Load jQuery method" and only allows for "Google CDN" or "Local copy", i.e. no DOM ready

FYI: Joomla is version 2.5.3
any further information you want me to provide?

many thanks - maranius

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Posted by maranius - 2012/04/25 06:02

sorry - upoad of image didnt work

Include jQuery: Yes
Load jQuery method: Google CDN
jQuery version: 1.4.4
jQuery noConflict: Yes
Module Class Suffix: Shadow01
Width: 980
Height: 240
Link target: Self window
Theme: default

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Posted by admin - 2012/04/25 06:11

<http://www.ari-soft.com/images/fbfiles/images/slider-d2ce9eca81f1ef27a5b4f1fcd9d59ed3.jpg>

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Posted by maranius - 2012/04/25 06:32

sorry - in my version this menu item does not exist:
http://www.ari-soft.com/images/fbfiles/images/Settings_Ari_Slider.JPG

maranius

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Posted by admin - 2012/04/25 06:33

Upgrade the module to the latest version.

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by maranius - 2012/04/25 21:35

have updated now to latest version.
have set load method to DOM Ready

unfortunately still the same effect :(

http://www.ari-soft.com/images/fbfiles/images/Settings_Ari_Slider_updated_version.JPG

additional information:

while slider is loading you are able to force the first picture by clicking on the slide navigation arrow

your further assistance is very much appreciated - thx - maranius

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by admin - 2012/04/26 06:00

"ARI Image Slider" is based on nivoSlider jQuery plugin and it is implemented in way to load slider images before starting work.

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Posted by maranius - 2012/04/26 20:29

for test purpose I reduced to only 2 images of appr. 25kB.

Result: same amount of delay. Loading 50kB should not be the reason for any delay.

interesting: the demo of this template uses the same slider and without delay - see URL:

http://www.joomspirit.com/template-joomla/template_35/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1&Itemid=104&lang=en

Any clue what makes the difference?

thx - maranius

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Re:Initial Load is Slow

Posted by maranius - 2012/04/28 13:30

Hi,
luckily :P :laugh: :) I found out the reason for the strange behaviour and want to share it with you - just in case you are a beginner like me and stumble across a similar problem:

In the file names I sometimes used an apostrophe and this causes a 6 seconds delay before presentation of the first image. Furthermore I figured out, that an apostrophe doesn't matter for the later images. However, it is crucial when used for the first in the row.

have a good time - maranius

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Posted by aerts.thijs - 2012/05/29 09:54

I have the same problem, i've tried your solution but it didn't work.
some more ideas? could the extension have something to do with it? i'm using .jpg right now.

Thijs

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Posted by aerts.thijs - 2012/05/29 11:19

I allready noticed that all apostrophe in the image path should be deleted.
When I deleted the apostrophe in one of the subfolders the image load almost immediately.
Thanks for your reply!

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