

## RE: Remote Administration on W2K

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However, openssh is better (OpenBSD fan) ... :-)

Otherwise, I agree with Patrick ... vnc encapsulated within ssh is awesome.

resource intensive though ... :-(

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sbox1107 wrote:

- >
- > *While VNC does not offer any significant security and is slower, it is*
- > *certainly more stable than pcAnywhere. I prefer the stability, the size*
- > *of*
- > *the client (less than 200K), the browser interface (who needs a client?),*
- > *etc. of VNC over pcAnywhere. I also like VNC better than terminal*
- > *services,*
- > *because of the occasional inability to reconnect to the same session and*
- > *continue working, though this occurs much less in Win2K than NT4/TS.*
- > *Hosting facilities must hate pcAnywhere...*

It may not be secure and a bit slow, on its own, using ie 56k modems, but tunneling it through ssh makes it much more secure and using the compression options can speed it up quite a bit, as well. You just have to forward the ports when the ssh connection is initialized, 59xx with the standard ports and 58xx if you want to use java in a web browser. To be on the safe side you can start a WinVNC service while logging in and just shut it down when the session is finished. And to top it off, it can be done all for free...

<http://www.uk.research.att.com/vnc/sshvnc.html>

<http://www.freessh.org/windows.html> (SSHD servers for Windows)

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