

NANOG Server Update

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Background

- Merit currently hosts NANOG web, mail, and RealMedia servers
- Servers are part of a shared environment
- The shared mail server has had issues with volume of NANOG mail at times
- Merit is currently in midst of technology refresh from Sun to Intel based servers
- Web server refreshed. Mail, Real still Sun

New Servers

- Two Intel-based servers donated for dedicated NANOG use (thanks Randy)
- Allows more control; new services
- Xeon/Dual 2.13GHz, 2GB, 600GB raided disk running FreeBSD 6.2
- One server used for mailing lists; Second for Web, video archives, PC/SC support
- Will backup each other for redundancy

Mail Server

- Will run MailMan/Exim for list management/delivery. Replaces current Majordomo/Postfix based system
- Have moved nanog-eng support list
- Will be moving other support lists and main NANOG list shortly
- Still looking at Web archival interfaces (still archived on Merit server for now)

Web/Video Server

- Server ready, but currently redesigning the NANOG website
- Will move to new server when redesign is completed
- Working with Steve Feldman on moving PC nanogpc.org site over
- Web server will host archived Real videos via HTTP instead of via Real Server

Issues

- Serving Real videos via http seems to cause seeking issues with older streams (also lose adaptive bandwidth)
- Should Merit re-encode old Real videos to a standard format (MPG4/H.264)?
- What other services could be provided?
 - Community Wiki (currently on Cluepon)?
 - Slashcode-based forum?