

Re: ??: IMAP Mail server question

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On Wed, 2007-02-28 at 11:17 -0500, Roberto C. Sanchez wrote:

On Wed, Feb 28, 2007 at 05:29:22PM +0200, Nick Demou wrote:

courier-IMAP was easy to install and setup

works fine with many users accessing the same maildir about 20 maildirs in a low spec server. Hundreds of folders per maildir with some of them having up to 30000 emails

With outlook express I have some problems now and then that get fixed by doing a "clear local cache" on OE. Only once had a problem with thunderbird (started constantly complaining that it could not save the email it just sent to the INBOX folder while at the same time it HAD saved it). Worked around this annoyance and didn't try to fix it

The main gotcha with Courier, is that by default it only allows 4 connections per IP, but T-bird tries to make 5. You can fix that in either place (probably the server if you have lots of users).

I've change the number of connections from a single IP to 75, especially when running X-Terminal supporting 10+ people at the same time. Usually it just works otherwise. The only thing I have to change is causing exim4 to use \$HOMEDIR/Maildir delivery vs. /var/spool/mail.

And this bit about not being able to handle large amounts of mail?

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greg@uno:~$ du -ks Maildir/  
313998560 Maildir/
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All served up via courier-imap-ssl. Hope that clears it up.

Also, I've scaled courier-imap upto ~700 users with ~100 continuous users accessing, using a single processor with 4G of memory, a single FC SCSI card to a SAN.

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Novell's Directory Services is a competitive product to Microsoft's Active Directory in much the same way that the Saturn V is a competitive product to those dinky little model rockets that kids light off down at the playfield. -- Thane Walkup

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