Subject: *SOLVED* Best way to migrate a server with multiple IPs to VE solution Posted by dansut on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 12:10:29 GMT

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Firstly, I'm totally new to virtualization and it's been a while since I did any in depth networking stuff. Been doing lots of reading though and I'm convinced that OpenVZ is going to be a great solution for me ... I'm just slightly stuck on the best way to proceed with migrating my server setup.

I have a leased dedicated server which servers many Web sites, etc. using 12 assigned IP addresses - where all these addresses are on the same subnet and actually same NIC (eth0, eth0:0-10). As far as I can see I can simply move my IPs from eth0:X interfaces onto the venet interfaces of VEs I create, however I'm sure that then I'll need to do something with routing/ARP/something to actually have this continue to work as I expect ... and as much as I've looked I can't find a HOWTO for this situation.

I'm probably missing something simple, or have overlooked some docs, maybe there's multiple ways to do this, any help/advice/pointers would be most appreciated.

Subject: Re: Best way to migrate a server with multiple IPs to VE solution Posted by kir on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 12:35:44 GMT

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Generally speaking, vzctl takes care of it — it sends ARP packets, sets up routing etc. The only things you have to check are:

- 1. IP forwarding is enabled on the host system
- 2. IP addresses used for VEs are from the same subnet as the IP of the host system, OR if they are from the different subnet, other systems should have a route to that subnet with the gateway being host system IP.

Further reading: http://wiki.openvz.org/Category:Networking

Subject: Re: Best way to migrate a server with multiple IPs to VE solution Posted by dansut on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 23:24:03 GMT

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Thanks - I guess I was looking for problems where there were none. I should have just tried it because it does work automagically like you say. There's no docs to mention this because nothing needs to be done ...