Subject: Multiple (2) Network Cards both used for VE's + Public IP issues Posted by stuartornum on Sun, 02 Dec 2007 10:51:25 GMT

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Hi,

I haven't yet implemented this yet, but just wanted to know if there is any issues and setup difference I would need to know.

I have only used OpenVZ in a local network environment, so local IP's only. But when I put the server into my local DC im a bit confused about the public IP's of VE's.

So lets say I have IP range 80.1.1.10 -> 80.1.1.20

Hardware Node assigned 80.1.1.10 for eth0 and 80.1.1.11 for eth1.

Do I need to create eth0:0, eth0:1, eth0:2 for 80.1.1.12, 80.1.1.13 and 80.1.1.14 respectively on the HN? As im not quite sure how the VE's use the public IP's.

Also, as you can see from above I have two network cards.

Ideally I would like to have some on eth0 and others on eth1...

Would this be hard to achieve?

Thank you in advance

Subject: Re: Multiple (2) Network Cards both used for VE's + Public IP issues Posted by khorenko on Mon, 03 Dec 2007 08:45:12 GMT

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Hello stuartornum,

i think the major thing at the moment is to clarify (to us and to yourself) the configuration you need.

- 0) Do you want completely discard the private IPs (on the HNs and VEs) and use only public ones?
- 1) You've said you have 2 network card on the HN. How are you going to use them? Why do you need 2 cards, not 1?
- a) If you want to use only public IPs, the only reason for 2 network cards i can see is the reliability (i mean to configure 2 cards somehow that if one link is dead the node will use another link). If this is the case, then, from my POV, it makes sense to configure a bonding device with those 2 NICs and use it (this will require only 1 IP for HN). http://wiki.openvz.org/Bonding
- b) If you still want to use both public and private IPs on HN/VEs then again do you bother to separate local traffic (say via eth0) and global/public traffic (say via eth1)?

- i) If NO then again i think 2 separate NICs are redundant i suggest to 'bond' them.
- ii) If YES well, this is the most difficult configuration, you can read about how to do this here http://wiki.openvz.org/Using_private_IPs_for_Hardware_Nodes#
 An_OpenVZ_Hardware_Node_has_two_Ethernet_interfaces.
- 2) Do you use at the moment veth or venet? It seems to me that above configurations (except for 1.b.ii) can be done using just venet devices simpler from my POV. (http://wiki.openvz.org/Differences_between_venet_and_veth)

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Regards,

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