



FOSS Infrastructure for your organization

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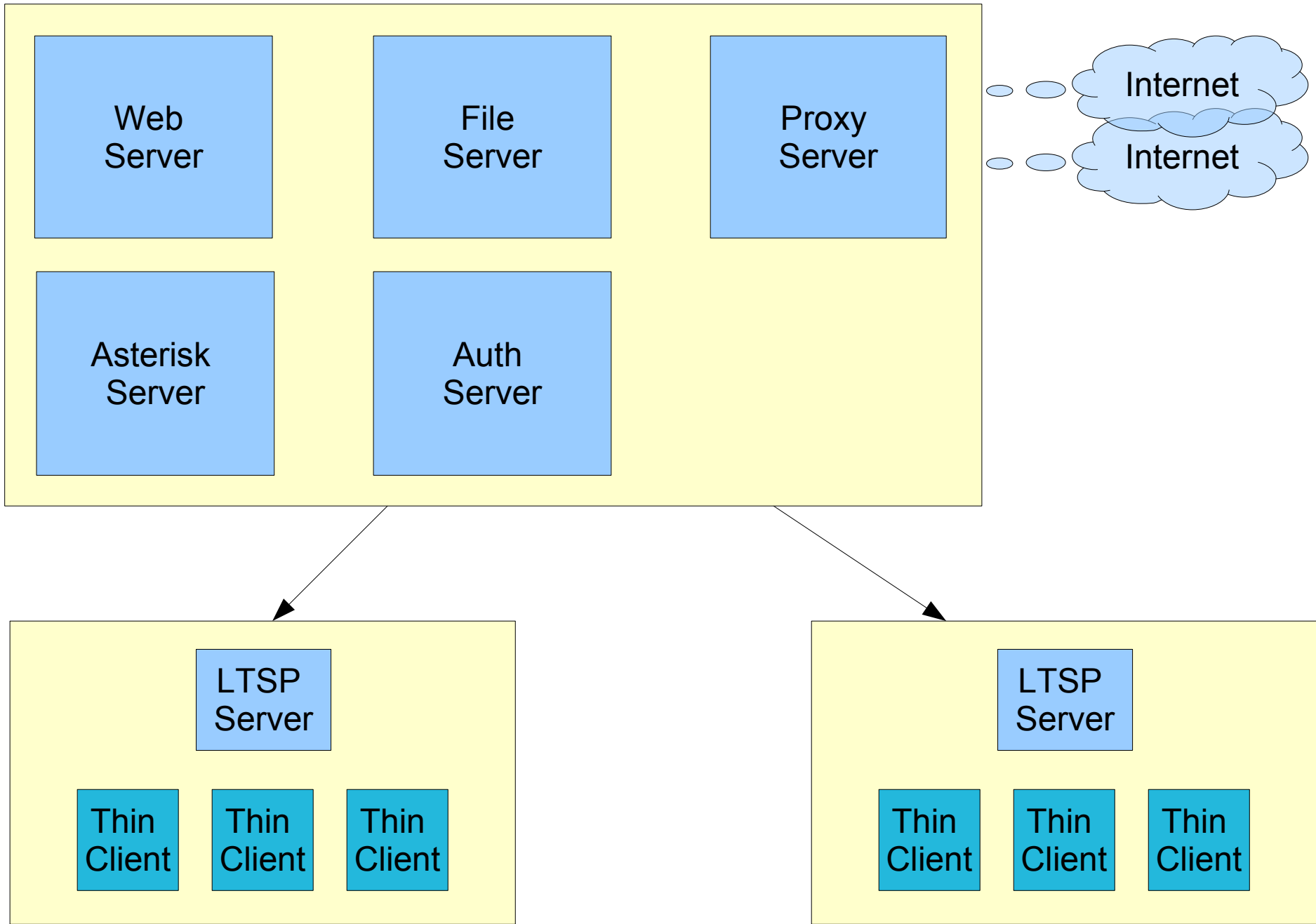
What is this about?

- How we setup tech infrastructure in our new office with FOSS tools
- The mistakes we made
- And the victories!
- So that you do better ;-)



What did we want?

- Stable, sturdy and scalable setup
- Cost effective – short and long term
- State of the art – case study in such needs





Core Setup

- Thin Clients, LCDs
- Distributed Clustered Setup
- Why?



Centralized Authentication

- LDAP, MySQL
- pam_mysql
- Pgina



pam_mysql

- Configuration
- Access Control problem
- Too many connections
- Backup Provision
- The Mysteries of Failed Auth



Clustered Setup

- Server
- Thin Clients
- SVN
- Dev Tools – Apache, PHP



Internet Connection

- Load balanced connections
- Sharing for better bandwidth
- LARTC
- Dirty Public IP
- This Orkut thing!



Email

- Webmail to Thunderbird
- Exim
 - delivery to non home folder
 - Smarthost
 - SpamAssasin / Clam integration
- Fetching emails



Telephony

- Asterisk
- ISDN PRI line
- DID, Access Control, Voicemail
- Central auth
- Sound on Ubuntu / RDP
- Fax support, Calling global



Storage

- Distributed Storage
- Scripted Backup
- SVN backup



Enterprise Systems

- Project Management – activeCollab, Mantis, Wiki
- HR systems
- Access Card system
- Security – firewall
- Messaging – Wildfire
- Music!



The Foreigners

- Windows – similarly setup
- Mac – independent, but same tools



Wishlist

- Printer Quota management
- Higher integration
- Single shutdown and startup provision
- Sound on clients
- Fax on Asterisk



The Geek Who Told His Story

- FOSS can do it!
- Integrated is better
- Troubles will happen
- Keep your cup empty!



Thank You

gnu/linux LTSP
Ubuntu MySQL
Apache PHP Python
Shorewall Asterisk
pam_mysql Squid
Thunderbird
Firefox eyeBeam
SJPhone Exim
SpamAssasin
clam fetchmail OO.o

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