

I just translated this page from my own french documentation. I'm not a native english speaker, so there may be some stylistic weirdnesses. Feel free to correct them. — [Niki Kovacs](#) Thu Sep 6 10:59:18 CEST 2012

Looks OK to me. No “weirdnesses” found 😊. Clear and concise. — [Brian Lawrence](#) 2012/09/06 02:13

I agree, the page was well written and can be easily understood. Good Job. — [Matthew Fillpot](#) 2012/09/06 04:24

Thanks, guys. Matthew, I duly noted your suggestion on the mailing list to split up the HOWTOS in a) NFS-HOWTO b) NIS-HOWTO and c) NFS+NIS-HOWTO. I think the present NFS-HOWTO deserves to be rewritten in more detail. I can eventually take care of that. On the other hand, NIS without NFS doesn't make much sense. I decided to write this HOWTO as is, since it's more or less a receipt that JustWorks™ if followed step by step. NFS and NIS are so intertwined here that separating the subjects in several HOWTOs would only confuse the reader, IMHO. [Niki Kovacs](#) Thu Sep 6 16:16:21 CEST 2012

Note to myself: add a section at the beginning of this page that all clients must be synchronized with the server via NTP. This is absolutely vital, otherwise there are some really strange bugs in the network. I'll add the respective NTP-HOWTO in the days to come. [Niki Kovacs](#) Thu Sep 6 16:20:57 CEST 2012

“rpcinfo -p localhost” - Just want to point out that glibc-2.15 in Slackware 14RC4 no longer builds the 'rpcinfo' command. You can use 'pmap\_dump' instead. — [David Allen](#) 2012/09/07 09:42

I've been googling around and haven't found a definitive way to handle laptops that might not be connected to the network. I'd really like to implement this but I need some advice or pointers to get it working when my laptops aren't able to connect to the NIS & NFS servers.

There's also the issue of per-host settings, most notably for X-Windows but potentially for other apps as well (KATE sessions and IDE settings come immediately to mind). Some caveats might in order. — [Eric Schultz](#) 2012/09/10 08:52

1) There's absolutely no sense in configuring NIS+NFS on a laptop. I install this sort of setup in SOHO setups like schools or small companies. On workstation PCs.

2) What's X11 got to do with this? Only /home is centralized on the server. Everything else (/usr, /lib, /etc/, /bin, ...) is on every individual host.

[Niki Kovacs](#) Mon Sep 10 22:39:17 CEST 2012

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Check [this thread](#) over at LinuxQuestions.org — *Eric Schultz* 2012/09/10 17:08

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