

The NetBSD Guide

by The NetBSD Developers

Published 2010/01/16 07:55:45

Copyright © 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 Federico Lupi

Copyright © 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 The NetBSD Foundation

All brand and product names used in this guide are or may be trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective owners.

Table of Contents

Purpose of this guide	xvii
I. About NetBSD	xviii

4.3 Performing the upgrade	36
----------------------------------	----

14.6 Further Reading	114
Bibliography	114
15 Concatenated Disk Device (CCD) configuration.....	116
15.1 Install physical media	

18.2 Introduction	159
-------------------------	-----

18.10 Sample PAM Module	175
18.11 Sample PAM Conversation Function	178
18.12 Further Reading	179
Bibliography	179
19 Tuning NetBSD	181
19.1 Introduction	181
19.1.1 Overview	181
19.1.1.1 What is Performance Tuning?	

19.7.4 Summary	202
19.8 System Tuning.....	202
19.8.1 Using sysctl	202
19.8.2 tmpfs & mfs	203
19.8.3 Soft-dependencies.....	203
19.8.4 Journaling.....	204
19.8.5 LFS.....	204
19.9 Kernel Tuning	205
19.9.1 Preparing to Recompile a Kernel.....	205
19.9.2 Configuring the Kernel	205
19.9.2.1 Some example Configuration Items	206
19.9.2.2 Some Drivers	

D. Acknowledgements	364
----------------------------------	------------

List of Tables

2.2 Install preparations

2.2.1 The INSTALL document

Note: If NetBSD shares the hard disk with another operating system (like in the previous example)

Chapter 3

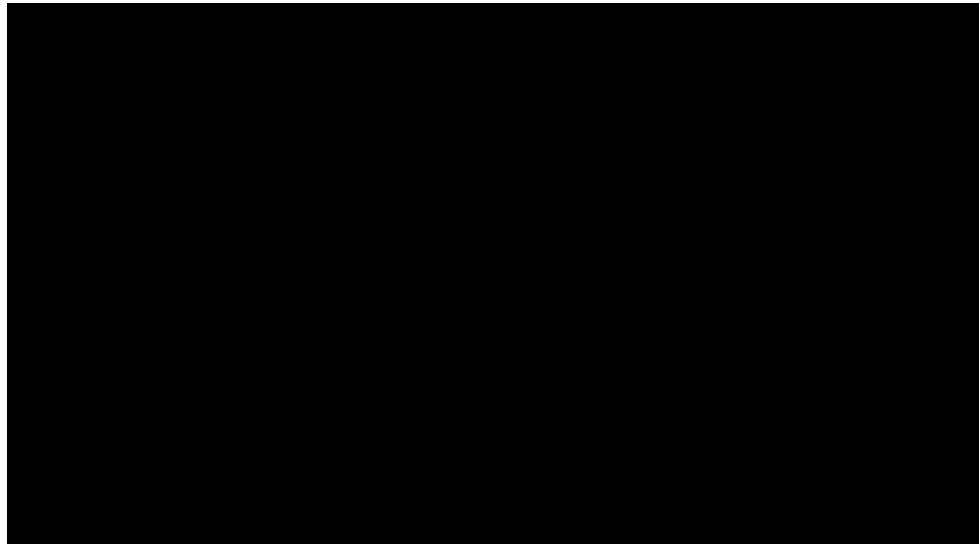
selecting a partition, a menu with options for that partition will appear, as shown in Figure 3-10.

Figure 3-10. Partition options



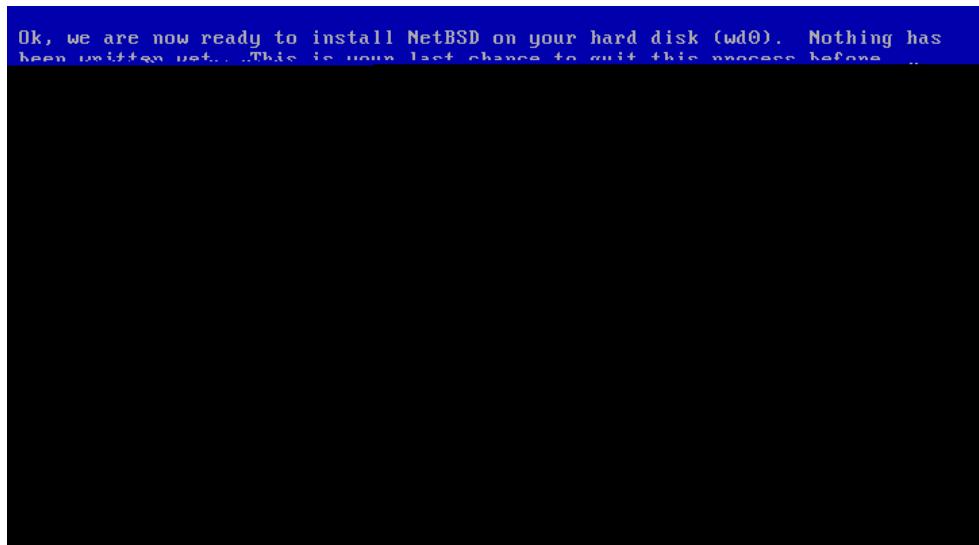
To create a new partition, the following information must be supplied:

Figure 3-12. Edit partitions?



When you choose to set the sizes of the NetBSD partitions you c

Figure 3-17. Last chance to abort



3.9 The disk preparation process

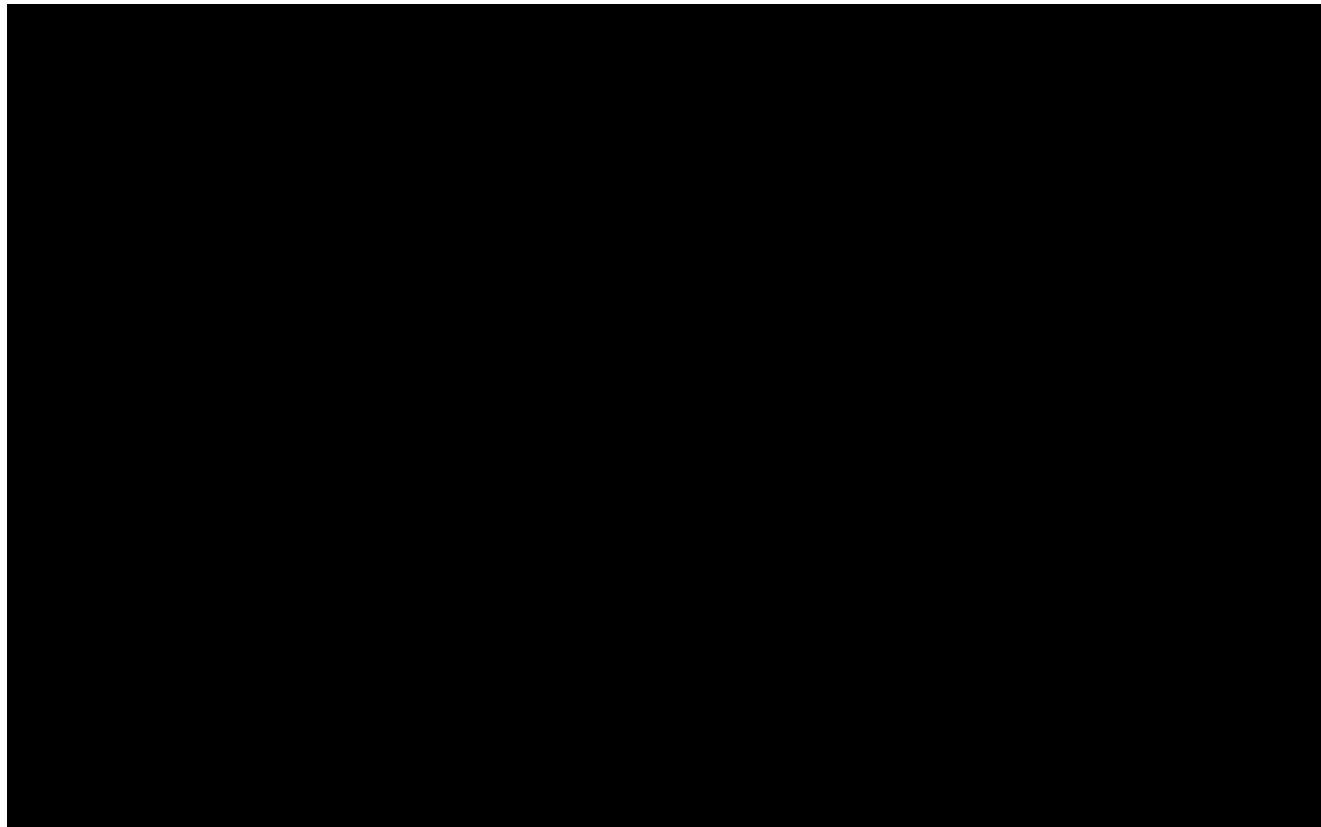
Figure 3-30. NFS install screen



Figure 3-31

3.13 Finishing the installation

Figure 3-39. Reboot to finish installation



Chapter 4

III. System configuration, administration and tuning

Chapter 5

The first steps on NetBSD


```
login: root  
password:
```



```
# pkg_add -uv firefox
```

The following command will force an update of firefox and all of its dependencies:

```
# pkg_add -fuuv firefox
```

All details about package management can be found in *The pkgsrc guide*
(<http://www.NetBSD.org/docs/pkgsrc/index.html>)

Chapter 6

Editing

6.1 Introducing vi

- a Append after cursor.

6.1.7 A Sample Session

- Ex/Vi Reference Manual by Keith Bostic
-

Chapter 7

The rc.d System

Chapter 8

For example, screen 7 could be enabled in /etc/wscons.conf and X could be started with


```
encoding -> it
```

This setting will last until the next reboot. To make it permanent, add a encoding line to /etc/wscons.conf: it will be executed automatically the next time you reboot.

```
# cp /etc/wscons.conf /etc/wscons.conf.orig  
# echo encoding it >>/etc/wscons.conf
```

Please be careful and type two > characters. If you type onlytw7yTd [(6305f52.25043(o)(a)]4343(n)x)-5.8887(t)-227.9(t)0.9

Chapter 9


```
Driver      "kbd"
Option     "XkbRules"  "xorg"
Option     "XkbModel"   "pc105"
Option     "XkbLayout"  "de"
Option     "XkbOptions" "ctrl:nocaps"
```

EndSection

9.7 Starting X

```
# pkg_add -v openbox
```

To build it with pkgsrc, run:

```
# cd /usr/pkgsrc/wm/openbox  
# make install
```

Openbox is now installed; to start it you must modify your `.xinitrc` file: substitute the line which calls

Chapter 10

Linux emulation

10.2 Directory structure

If we examine the outcome of the installation of the Linux libraries and programs we find that

Emmnuee10.37085yuu Mr

Emmnuee10.37085yuu Mr

11.5.3 audioplay(1)

1

! "#\$%&' ()

#

19ere


```
# file -s /dev/cd0d
```


14.2.3 Verification Methods

Another aspect of `cgd` that needs some attention are the verification methods `cgdconfig` provides. These

Once the installation is complete, you should examine the disklabel(8) and fdisk(8) / sunlabel(8) outputs on the system:

```
# df  
Filesystem 1K-blocks      Used      Avail %Cap Mounted on  
/dev/wd0a     9487886    502132    8511360    5% /
```

On i386:

```
#
```

On Sparc64 the command / output differs slightly:

```
#
```


fifo 100

Note that absent


```
rpm: 3600
interleave: 1
trackskew: 0
cylinderskew: 0
headswitch: 0 # microseconds
track-to-track seek: 0 # microseconds
drivedata: 0

#      size     offset   fstype [fsiz e bsize cpq/sqs]
a: 19015680          0      4.2BSD    0     0     0  # (Cyl.      0 - 18569)
b: 525184   19015680        swap            # (Cyl. 18570 - 19082*)
d: 19540864          0      unused    0     0     0  # (Cyl.      0 - 19082*)
```

On sparc64:

```
# disklabel -r -e -I raid0
[...snip...]
total sectors: 19539968
[...snip...]
3 partitions:
#      size     offset   fstype [fsiz e bsize cpq/sqs]
a: 19251200          0      4.2BSD    0     0     0  # (Cyl.      0 - 18799)
b: 288768   19251200        swap            # (Cyl. 18800 - 19081)
c: 19539968          0      unused    0     0     0  # (Cyl.      0 - 19081)
```

Next, format the newly created / partition as a 4.2BSD FFSv1 File System:

```
#
```



```
File system:      /dev/rwd1a
Primary bootstra
```

Chapter 16 NetBSD RAIDframe

Device	1K-blocks	Used	Avail	Capacity	Priority
--------	-----------	------	-------	----------	----------

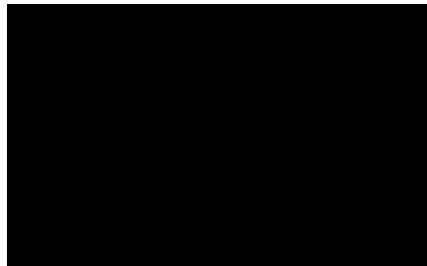
```
# raidctl -v -s raid0
Components:
    component0: failed
        /dev/wd1a: optimal
Spares:
    /dev/wd0a: spare
[...snip...]
# raidctl -F component0 raid0
RECON: initiating reconstruction on col 0 -> spare at col 2
11% | *****
| ETA:      04:26 \
```

Depending on the speed of your hardware, the reconstruction

11*****

| ~~ETA: 04:26 \~~
Componenes:

Figure 16-7. Award BIOS i386 Boot Disk0/wd0



Save changes and exit.

```
>> NetBSD/i386 BIOS Boot, Revision 5.2 (from NetBSD 5.0.2)
>> Memory: 639/130048 k
Press return to boot now, any other key for boot menu
booting hd0a:netbsd - starting in 15
```

Notice how your custom kernel detects controller/buffer(s) 512x16071c94B37tR65 9.96264 g(l)0.965528(o)-5.8911i

17.1 Anatomy of NetBSD Logical Volume Manager

Chapter 17 NetBSD Logical Volume Manager (LVM) configuration

```
# disklabel -r sd0
[...snip...]
bytes/sector: 512
sectors/track: 63
tracks/cylinder: 16
sectors/cylinder: 1008
```


Chapter 17 NetBSD Logical Volume Manager (LVM) configuration

```
Root partition: No
Last configured as: raid0
Parity status: DIRTY
```


Chapter 18

Pluggable Authentication Modules (PAM)


```
    }
    execve(*args, args, environ);
    warn("execve()");
    _exit(1);
default:
/* parent: wait for child to exit */
waitpid(pid, &status, 0);

/* close the session and release PAM resources */
pam_err = pam_close_session(pamh, 0);
pam_end(pamh, pam_err);

exit(WEXITSTATUS(status));
}

pamerr:
fprintf(stderr, "Sorry\n");
err:
pam_end(pamh, pam_err);
exit(1);
}
```

18.10 Sample PAM Module

The following is a minimal implementation of pam_unix(8), offering only authentication services. It should build and run with most PAM implementations, but takes advantage of OpenPAM extensions if available: noM rr

```
{  
#ifndef _OPENPAM  
const void *ptr;  
const struct pam_conv *conv;  
struct pam_message msg;  
const struct pam_message *msgp;  
struct pam_response *resp;  
#endif  
struct passwd *pwd;  
const char *user;  
char *
```



```
#ifdef PAM_MODULE_ENTRY  
PAM_MODULE_ENTRY( "pam_unix" );  
#endif
```

18.11 Sample PAM Conversation Function

User Manuals

PAM Administration (<http://www.sun.com/software/solaris/pam/pam.admin.pdf>)

Chapter 19

Tuning NetBSD

19.1.1.2 When does one tune?

Many NetBSD users rarely have to tune a system. The GENERIC kernel may run just fine and the layout/configuration of the system may do the job as well. By t

19.3 Visual Monitoring Tools

NetBSD ships a variety of performance monitoring tools with the system. Most of these tools are

0 on retransmit timeout	0 urgent data only
0 by keepalive	0 control
0 by persist	
	29 total TCP packets received
11 potential rtt updates	17 in sequence
11 successful rtt updates	0 completely duplicate
9 delayed acks sent	0 with some duplicate data
0 retransmit timeouts	4 out of order
0 persist timeouts	0 duplicate acks
0 keepalive probes	11 acks
0 keepalive timeouts	0 window probes
	0 window updates

Now that is informative. The first poll is accumulative, so it is possible to see quite a lot of information in the output when sysstat is invoked. Now, while that may be int

network equipment. Not unlike ping, if the host itself is sus

ash 0:b0:d0:de:49:df UH

There are plenty of third party tools available, however, NetBSD comes shipped with a good tool set for tracking down network level performance problems.

19.7.1.1 Using kgmon

To start kgmon:

\$

At the end of the call graph right after the terms section is an

19.8.3 Soft-dependencies


```
options          INET6          # IPV6
options          IPFILTER_LOG    # ipmon(8) log support
```

IPFILTER_LOG is a nice one to have around since the server will be running ipf.

```
ex0: MAC address 00:50:04:83:ff:b7
UI 0x001018 model 0x0012 rev 0 at ex0 phy 24 not configured
ex1 at pci0 dev 19 function 0: 3Com 3c905B-TX 10/100 Ethernet (rev. 0x30)
ex1: interrupting at irq 11
ex1: MAC address 00:50:da:63:91:2e
exphy0 at ex1 phy 24: 3Com internal media interface
exphy0: 10baseT, 10baseT-FDX, 100baseTX, 100baseTX-FDX, auto
...
...
```



```
CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, DATA
11 link_set_evcnts 00000030  c083b7cc  c083b7cc  0073c7cc  2**2
                CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, DATA
12 .data        00048ae4  c083c800  c083c800  0073c800  2**5
                CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
13 .bss         00058974  c0885300  c0885300  00785300  2**5
                ALLOC
* *
```


#


```
% sdpquery -d ubt0 -a phone search DUN

Record Handle: 0x00010000
Service Class ID List:
    Dial-Up Networking (0x1103)
    Generic Networking (0x1201)
Protocol Descriptor List:
    L2CAP (0x0100)
    RFCOMM (0x0003)
        Protocol specific parameter #1: u/int8/bool 1
Bluetooth Profile Descriptor List:
    Dial-Up Networking (0x1103) ver. 1.0
```

Most likely, the phone will request authentication before it allows connections to the DUN service, so before you make the first connection you may need to provTd [(t)-251ne P

22.3 Speaker

#

IV. Networking and related issues

Chapter 23

There are other protocol suites such as DECNET, Novell's IPX/SPX or Microsoft's NetBIOS, but these are not currently supported by NetBSD. These protocols diff

application using networking-calls. The resolver will then try to resolve (hence the name ;-) the

- Bigger address space
- Support for mobile devices
- Built-in security

23.7.2.1 Bigger Address Space

The bigger address space that IPv6 offers is the most obvious

127.0.0.1

subnet, and one to address the hosts on that subnet. Usually, this is done on byte (8 bit) boundaries.


```
        file "db.reverse";  
};
```



```
options           INET6          # IPV6
```

If you want to use IPv6, this is your option. If you don't want IPv6, which is part of NetBSD since the 1.5 release, you can remove/comment out that option. See the `inet6(4)` manpage and

2. Edit the file `/etc/resolv.conf` and check


```
ATZ
OK
~.

Disconnected.
#
```


tcpdump

24.8.2 Connecting NetBSD and Windows NT

e.g. ethernet or FDDI. 6over4 is documented in RFC2529. It's main drawback is that you do need

After these commands, you are connected to the IPv6-enabled

24.9.8 Quickstart using pkgsrc/net/hf6to4

So far, we have described how 6to4 works and how to set it up manually. For an automated way to make

The example assumes that you use the "ppp0" interface on your firewall to connect to the Internet.

Chapter 25

and program name and arguments are "ftpd -ll". Notice in the last field, the program name is different from the service-name.

nfs 100003 nfsprog

25.7 Allowing and denying hosts -

Chapter 26

The Domain Name System

26.2 The DNS Files

26.2.1 /etc/namedb/named.conf

cause lookup problems if a particular client decides it want

Line 7:

The minimum Time To Live.

Line 8:

This is the Nameserver line, which uses a "NS" resource record to show that "localhost" is the only DNS server handing out data for this zone (which is "@", which indicates the zone name used in the named.conf file, i.e. "diverge.org") is, well, "localhost".

Line 9:

This is the localhost entry, which 7(h)-86180.96552Ans a "NS" record that "locale 8699.261538.04 -12.9s(n


```
;  
; This file holds the information on root name servers needed to  
; initialize cache of Internet domain name servers  
; (e.g. reference this file in the "cache . <file>"
```


As you've probably noticed, the address is the same, but the m

Chapter 27

29.1.1 NFS setup example

messages from ntpdate witku(d)-5.888s(r)3.5582u(d)-5.8887(a)-1.6663l(t)0.96552l(i)0.96307y(e)-4.74374(e)-1.3899n(o)-5

V. Building the system

And for the “xsrc” module:

\$

```
cvs      -q
```

30.5 Sources on CD (ISO)

If you prefer to download (and maybe burn) a CD-ROM image with the NetBSD source, just fetch `sourcecd-<RELEASE-NUMBER>.iso` from ftp.NetBSD.org or any other mirror.

The `sourcecd-<RELEASE-NUMBER>.iso` file is located under `/pub/NetBSD/iso/<RELEASE>`, where `<RELEASE-NUMBER>` is a release of NetBSD, for example, 5.1:

Chapter 31

nbdb	nbmknod	sparc64--netbsd-g++
nbeqn	nbmkttemp	sparc64--netbsd-g77
nbfgen	nbmsgc	sparc64--netbsd-gcc
nbfile	nbmtree	sparc64--netbsd-gcc-3.3
nbgencat	nbnroff	sparc64--netbsd-gccbug
nbgroff	nbpax	sparc64--netbsd-gcov
nbhexdump	nbpic	sparc64--netbsd-ld
nbhost-mkdep	nbpwd_mkdb	sparc64--netbsd-lint
nbindxbib	nbrefrer	sparc64--netbsd-mdsetim
nbinfo	nbrpcgen	sparc64--netbsd-nm
nbinfokey	nbsoelim	sparc64--netbsd-objcopy
nbinstall	nbstat	sparc64--netbsd-objdump
nbinstall-info	nbsunlabel	sparc64--netbsd-ranlib
nbinstallboot	nbtbl	sparc64--netbsd-readelf
nblex	nbtxi2dvi	sparc64--netbsd-size
nblorder	nbtxi(907(p)-2.7(o)-2.2(t)-10789.8212.24907(i)-2.24907(b)864.24907)	


```
LDSTATIC=-static
```

31.7.3 Using build.sh options

Besides variables in environment and

MKINFO

MKSHARE

INSTALLWORLDDIR


```
% file netbsd  
netbsd: ELF 64-bit MSB executable, SPARC V9, version 1 (SYSV), statically linked, not stripped
```


Chapter 33

Updating an existing system from sources

Appendix B.

Contributing to the NetBSD guide

When runniril60296264 -2mXthk

Appendix D. Acknowledgements

This software was developed for the FreeBSD Project by ThinkSec AS and
Network Associates Laboratories, the Security Research Division of

Appendix E.

Bibliography

Bibliography