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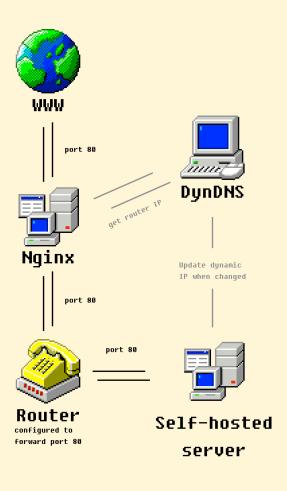
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CONVENTIONAL SETUP

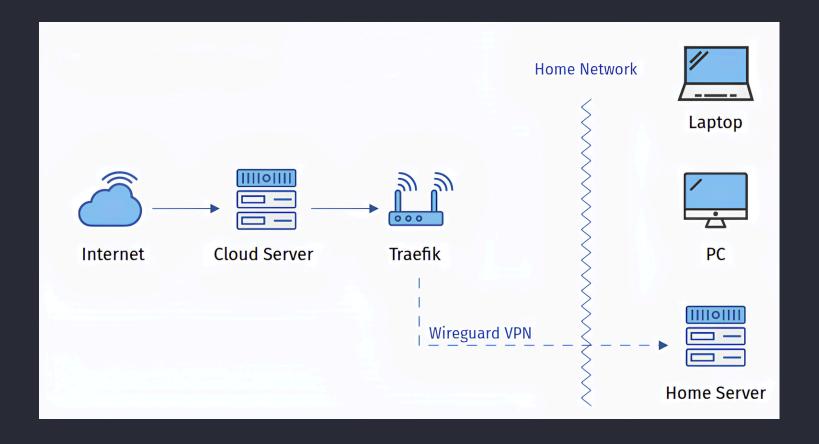
ISSUES WITH CONVENTIONAL SETUP

- Dynamic DNS not the most reliable
- Exposed port(s) on home network 33

A typical portforwarding scenario



IMPROVED SETUP



ISSUES WITH CONVENTIONAL SETUP

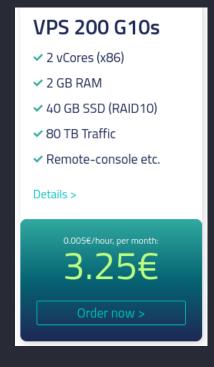
- WireGuard can be difficult to setup and manage
 - Key distribution for all nodes
 - NAT Traversal and Firewall Exceptions

PROPOSED SETUP

- Small rented VPS with public IP
- WireGuard data plane
- Tailscale clients (most platforms)
- Headscale coordination server on VPS
- Reverse proxy on VPS

RENTED VPS WITH PUBLIC IP

netcup®

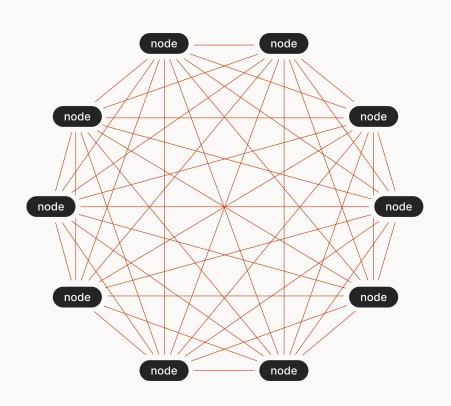


IPv4 adresses	ů	1
IPv6 adresses	ů	/64-subnet
Failover IPs	ů	available
Custom VLAN	ů	available
Minimum availability	ů	99,6 %
Price per month		3.25€

WIREGUARD DATA PLANE

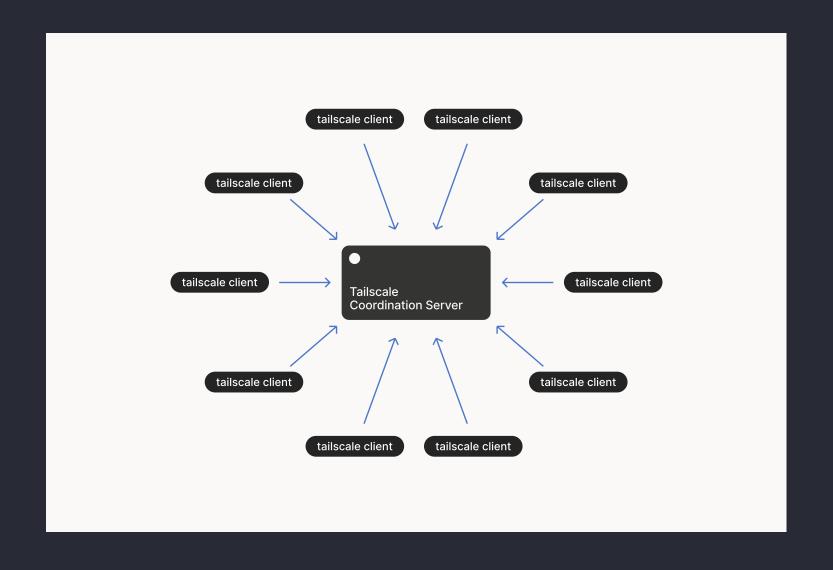


WIREGUARD DATA PLANE



n(n-1) = 90 WireGuard endpoints (for 45 connections)

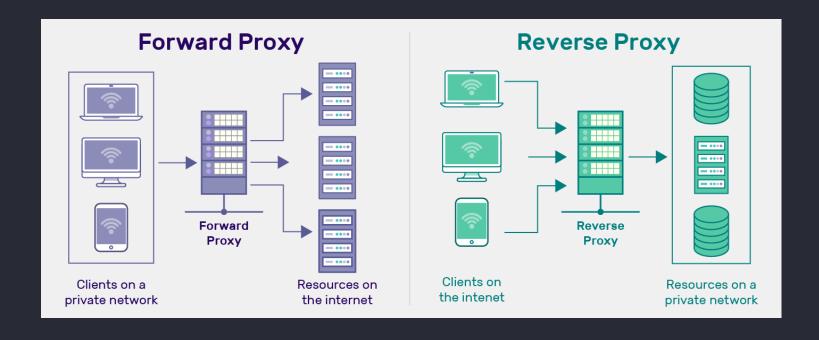
TAILSCALE CLIENTS



HEADSCALE COORDINATION SERVER



REVERSE PROXY



REVERSE PROXY OPTIONS

- Caddy
- Træfik
- Nginx
- Nginx Proxy Manager
- frp

MENTIONED RESOURCES

- Blog post from Paritosh Bhatia
- WireGuard Fast, Modern, Secure VPN Tunnel
- Tailscale Blog Blog post "How Tailscale works"
- Tailscale Client Tailscale GitHub repository
- Headscale Open source, self-hosted implementation of the Tailscale control server

ATTRIBUTIONS

- Network diagrams from Paritosh Bhatia Blog post
- Port-forwarding diagram Blog post
- Reverse proxy diagram Blog post

THANKS!

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