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What is Icecast?

Icecast is a package that can be used for streaming music or anything else over the Internet. it is easy to set up and depending on errors and testing of the pages, will take about 2-3 hours, to get configured. Liquidsoa[1]p and other automation and encoding tools that can take advantage of Icecast will not be discussed here, just the basic set up and a simple use case.

Prerequisites

To install Icecast you will need a Linode running Debian 7 or higher. At the time of this writing we are using Debian 7.6. [^1] The instructions might vary according to your linode set up so consult your documentation for the flavor of linux you are using. [^1]: Remember to always back up your linode before attempting any major installs like this. This way you can log in to your linode manager and restore your linode to what ever state it was in should the installation an setup of icecast brakes.

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[1]http://savonet.sourceforge.net/doc-svn/quick_start.html