Reading

3. A closer look at LISTSERV by LISTSERV

2. List software

1. An introduction to lists

Structure

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Mailing list software

Lecture 2

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Mailing lists should not be called listservs, because LISTSERV became popular.

Running on Unix machines is probably part of the reason why it

Written in 1996 by Eric Thoms on the VM/XA architecture.

LISTSERV

- LISTSERV (the original script)
- Lives at https://www.list.org
- Has an excellent web interface, lots of features
- Written and maintained by a broad team
- Python script, completely free

mailman

- Lives at https://www.greatcircle.com/mailman
- Has a separate “mailman-web” web interface
- Written initially by Brent Chapman
- Perl scripts, free but not freely distributable

m4ordomo

- Hosted by CRKN now at https://www.lispro.net
- Developed as “Unix Lister” by Andreas Kothmann

LISTPROC

Important list software
do you want to try this out?

set | rename many things
getpost | rename numbers
search | rename "in rename"
get | rename
index
query
rename
terms
subject | rename rename rename

LISTSERV commands

* the definitive mailing list for LISTSERV questions
* how to manage mailing lists
* mail questions to: listproc@listserv.unr.edu
* send messages to: listname@listserv.unr.edu
* listproc for help with listproc
* listname for help with listname
* for help with mailing lists or discussions, please send questions for consideration by L-RG

LISTSERV List Header
That is much better.

More modern systems (e.g., Mailman) have a password scheme.

off

scibed to, you are at the mercy of the list owner to take you

If you can not write anymore from the address that you sub-

Never send the signoff command to the list address.

getting off a list