Subject: Re: Backups

Posted by Mike Holloway on Wed, 21 Feb 2007 17:13:20 GMT

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As Kirill pointed out, be sure to also backup the veid.conf file (mine are in /etc/sysconfig/vz-scripts) as well as the /vz/private directories.

I use this procedure along with a heartbeat program to have one server automatically launch a VE when it detects the primary server is down, works great.

There is no need to re-create the VE (vzctl create) after reinstalling the os and openvz kernel, just restore the veid.conf and / vz/private directories and then 'vzctl start veid'. The veid.conf file you backed up already holds the previously assigned IP address for the VE.

-mike

On Feb 21, 2007, at 11:00 AM, Kirill Korotaev wrote:

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> don't forget to backup /vz/conf/<VEID>.conf file also.
> if you do dumps of databases everything else should be guite fine.
>
> anyway, it is better take another machine disconnected from the
> network and
> just check that your backups do work after restore. Just to be 100%
> sure
> in yourself.
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> Thanks,
> Kirill
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>> Hi,
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>> Im doing every night backups with rdiff-backup, im running rdiff-
>> backup
>> to the directory /vz/private, then im doing backups of each VPS in
>> the HN.
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>> Im thinking about a disaster recovery stratregy, if the disk of my HN
>> crash, for example, can I just:
>> Re-install the same OS, install openvz, create the same VPS with the
>> same VID and same IP address and just restore /vz/private/VID/* it
>> will
>> work?
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>> rdiff-backup preserves subdirectories, hard links, dev files,
>> permissions, uid/gid ownership, and modification times
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>> Im doing dumps of mysql and postgresql, every night. Then I can
>> restore
>> the databases manually. Its not a problem
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