
Subject: Re: Problems w/ busybox's init in VPS
Posted by [kir](#) on Tue, 27 Mar 2007 20:13:46 GMT
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Let's move the discussion to devel@ list. I'm now posting to both, but please remove users@ when replying.

Enrico Weigelt wrote:

> * Enrico Weigelt <weigelt@metux.de> wrote:

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> Hi,

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>> I've got problems with booting an busybox-based VPS: init does

>> not seem to do anything (at least it does not run the boot

>> scripts) ?

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> I strace'd a little bit, and there are some strange things

> going on:

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> * init tries to write to fd -1 ! (maybe it didn't get some

> valid stdio passed on startup)

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Perhaps it tried to open /dev/console and failed (open() returned -1).

> * it tries to do some tty specific ioctl()'s on fd 0, which

> doesn't seem to be an tty (at least it gets ENOTTY)

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Again that should probably be /dev/console (in case no fds are open the first successful open() _usually_ returns 0).

> * when reading /etc/inittab, it gets fd 0, so it seems no

> other fd's (ie. stdin, stdout, stderr) are open !

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This (the absense of stdin/out/err) is probably perfectly valid -- since init does not have a parent process, nobody would read/write those fds.

> * when trying to open /dev/console, it gets permission denied.

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Ah-ha, probably that is the root of the problem. What if you will create an empty text file named /dev/console?

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> Any suggest what could be wrong here ?

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