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Subject: Re: Difference between root and private, what to take in backup?

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Quote:I've started playing with vldump and it reminded me that I have one question about OpenVZ: What is the difference between root and the private area?

When VE is stopped you have contents only in private/<veid> directory. When VE starts simfs filesystem is mounted on root/<veid>. Simfs is a mirror-like filesystem: it mirrors the contents of private/<veid> to root/<veid>. The reason to use simfs is to isolate VE's filesystem from HN's one.

As concerns vldump - I've never used it. So the question is mainly to its author.

Vasily.

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