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Subject: Re: Scripting ve creation  
Posted by [dev](#) on Tue, 31 Jul 2007 08:51:58 GMT  
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Steve,

Good to know. Anyway I've created a bug  
[http://bugzilla.openvz.org/show\\_bug.cgi?id=658](http://bugzilla.openvz.org/show_bug.cgi?id=658)  
so we'll try to reproduce and resolve your issue.

Thanks,  
Kirill

Steve Hodges wrote:

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> We have a suitable workaround now. Instead of the creation script
> running all the installs etc, it writes to an install script in the VE.
> We then log in to the skeleton VE and run the script.
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> Steve
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>>>>hm... something went differently and there is no such a message
>>>>in strace ./
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>>>>can you give me an access to the node to check it?
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>>>>Thanks,
>>>>Kirill
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>>>>Steve Hodges wrote:
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>>>>>The file is on my web server
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>>>>>http://steve-is-mucking-about.sexypenguins.com/out.gz
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>>>>>I noticed that the command did not terminate and had to be killed (I
>>>>>tried it a number of times with the same result)
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>>>>>the command I used was
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>>>>>vzctl exec 101 strace -f -o /tmp/out apt-get install exim4 -y
>>>>>
>>>>>thanks
>>>>>
>>>>>Steve
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>>>>>On 27/07/2007 9:56 PM, Kirill Korotaev wrote:  
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>>>>>Can you please run the following command:  
>>>>># vzctl exec 110 strace -f -o /tmp/out apt-get install exim4  
>>>>>and send me /tmp/out file (it will be created inside VE)?  
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>>>>>Thanks,  
>>>>>Kirill  
>>>>>P.S. it may require installing strace package first.  
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>>>>>Steve Hodges wrote:  
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>>>>>>I'm trying to script the creation of a number of VEs. The template is a  
>>>>>>minimal Debian Etch.  
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>>>>>>part of what I'm trying to do is thinks like:  
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>>>>>>vzctl exec 110 apt-get install exim4  
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>>>>>>exim is one of those packages that wants to run dpkg-configure as part  
>>>>>>of the install (actually I think it's dpkg-preconfigure, but it's the  
>>>>>>same sort of thing)  
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>>>>>>When it gets to that stage it complains that it "can't re-open stdin"  
>>>>>>and generally fails to complete the install.  
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>>>>>>Is there any way of executing a whole series of commands like this  
>>>>>>without having to run them all manually. Some things have to be done  
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>>>>>>from outside the VE too, so just running a script in the VE is  
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>>>>>>problematic :-(  
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>>>>>Steve

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