Subject: Re: load spikes to 150-290 on HN

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First step is to find if you can increase the privvmpages for this VM. Try vzsplit -n1 | grep PRIVVM and let us know what you get.

If you can't, consider increasing the physical RAM in the server.

At the same time, you should try to find what is causing this. You could start by using tail -f /var/log/httpd/access_log to see what is hitting your server.

Finally, you could try to tweak apache so that you have a max number of apache processes, or use threads instead of forks (doesn't work with php, though, I think), or reduce the memory footprint of the individual httpd processes.

What is 144 running exactly?