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Subject: -bash: fork: Cannot allocate memory Error  
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-bash: /bin/egrep: Argument list too long  
-bash: fork: Cannot allocate memory

I am receiving the following error. In addition I am receiving the following error on tar:

-bash-3.2# tar -xzvf lzo-2.03.tar.gz

gzip: stdout: Cannot allocate memory  
lzo-2.03/  
lzo-2.03/src/  
lzo-2.03/src/lzo\_dict.h  
lzo-2.03/src/lzo1b\_8.c  
lzo-2.03/src/lzo\_ptr.h  
lzo-2.03/src/lzo1z\_9x.c  
lzo-2.03/src/lzo1y\_o.c  
lzo-2.03/src/config1x.h  
tar: Child returned status 1  
tar: Error exit delayed from previous errors

This is on a VPS with 512mb memory. vmstat and /proc/meminfo both show that over 450mb is free. S

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