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Subject: Swap Usage

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Hi Folks,

i apologize in advance, if this question is not directly relevant to the forum. Thanks.

I have rented an openvz system from a third party, and i am impressed by its performance. Anyway, my problem is this: My vps doesn't have any swap. It shows a total memory usage of around 412MB, and as u know, it will get filled up, and i routinely get a 'memory exhausted' error. I contacted my provider, but they say that vps does not have swap, and we are supposed to 'LIMIT' our memory usage. Now i can only laugh at such an idea. I told them that swap is a concept basic to computing, and u can never lock you computer to that small a memory, and if the memory usage goes up, the system should slwo down--owing to swap usage--and not crash like it is happening now. But they are still adamant.

Anywa, i would like to know the basic swapping principle used in openvz? Can u have per vps swap, or is it a global swap? How do i enable swap?

Thanks a lot in advance.