Subject: Re: A question about Node RAM
Posted by Tim Small on Fri, 06 Jan 2012 20:34:35 GMT
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On 06/01/12 19:55, Scott Dowdle wrote:

Fair points, but FWIW...

We run OpenVZ hardware nodes on Debian, because:

> Debian isn't supported very long... about 3 years (from initial release). RHEL6 will be supported for some time.
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Debian lets you easily and reliably upgrade in-place to the next release.

> I know one of the advantages of Debian is that it is a fantastic server OS with a large library of software... which you don't care about for an OpenVZ host node.
>

I'm not sure where EPEL is these days, but we run the following packages
on our hardware nodes, which aren't packaged with EL5 (not so sure about
RHEL6 - maybe a couple of those are in there now):

smartd
logcheck
munin
ipmitool
pacemaker+heartbeat
drbd
puppet
arno-iptables-firewall

... and probably a few others which I've forgotten about. I know that
several of those are 3rd-party packaged for RHEL5/6, but then you're
losing a lot of the "it's-guaranteed-supported-for-ages" benefit anyway,
and you've got to fart about researching and tracking down software, and
you're arguably worsening your security as a result too? No?

Cheers,

Tim.

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