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Subject: Re: ploop, simfs, and disk space  
Posted by [kir](#) on Sun, 08 Apr 2012 12:46:45 GMT  
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On 04/08/2012 04:04 PM, Corin Langosch wrote:

> Hi Kir,

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> Am 06.04.2012 23:33, schrieb Kir Kolyshkin:

>> \* NOTE ploop is not yet ready for production, and will not be for at

>> least a few more months.

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> Now this really confuses/ worries me as the latest \*stable\* release has

> ploop support. If it's not stable (so not ready for production), why is

> it included in a \*stable\* release? And it's not even marked as

> experimental - not on the website nor in the man pages.

Sorry that I haven't stated it before, should've done it. Let me explain.

The RHEL6-based kernel is stable (or supposed to be stable).

The ploop feature is not, and it not supposed to be as of now. Call it "beta" or "technology preview" or any other name suggesting it is not ready for production systems yet.

This feature is orthogonal to other kernel functionality, so there is no paradox here.

> How can I identify which kernel, tools and features are (supposed to be)

> stable and ready for production if not by the "Status" (stable,

> maintained) on the website/ man pages?

(1) Man pages are not supposed to mark feature status.

(2) I have put a big red warning on <http://wiki.openvz.org/Ploop> saying this is not yet ready for production.

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