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Subject: Re: microcode\_ctl-1.15.tar.gz incorporates broken microcode?

Posted by [Tigran Aivazian](#) on Thu, 02 Nov 2006 12:17:24 GMT

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Hello Konstantin,

This has been fixed in the latest version of the kernel device driver. So, upgrade your kernel and the message will go away.

Kind regards

Tigran

On Thu, 2 Nov 2006, Konstantin Khorenko wrote:

> Hello Tigran,  
>  
> i'm afraid there is something wrong with microcode in latest 1.15 archive, it  
> fails to be loaded on at least 2 completely different nodes  
> while microcode from 1.14 can be written successfully.  
> Could you please have a look?  
>  
> [root@svconsole firmware]# microcode\_ctl -u -f  
> microcode\_ctl-1.14/intel-ia32microcode-10May2006.txt  
> microcode\_ctl: writing microcode (length: 252928)  
> microcode\_ctl: microcode successfully written to /dev/cpu/microcode  
>  
> [root@svconsole firmware]# dmesg | tail -n 3  
> IA-32 Microcode Update Driver: v1.14 <tigran@veritas.com>  
> microcode: CPU0 already at revision 0xe (current=0xe)  
> microcode: No new microdata for cpu 0  
>  
> [root@svconsole firmware]# microcode\_ctl -u -f  
> microcode\_ctl-1.15/intel-ia32microcode-07Sep2006.txt  
> microcode\_ctl: writing microcode (length: 265216)  
> microcode\_ctl: error writing to '/dev/cpu/microcode' errno=22 (Invalid  
> argument)  
> microcode\_ctl: there may be messages from the driver in your system log.  
>  
> [root@svconsole firmware]# dmesg |tail -n 6  
> IA-32 Microcode Update Driver: v1.14 <tigran@veritas.com>  
> microcode: CPU0 already at revision 0xe (current=0xe)  
> microcode: No new microdata for cpu 0  
> microcode: CPU0 already at revision 0xe (current=0xe)  
> microcode: error! Bad data in microcode data file  
> microcode: Error in the microcode data  
>  
> [root@svconsole firmware]# ls -Flaio /dev/cpu/microcode  
> 9658 crw----- 1 root 10, 184 Nov 2 09:37 /dev/cpu/microcode

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> [root@svconsole firmware]# md5sum microcode_ctl-1.15.tar.gz
> microcode_ctl-1.15/intel-ia32microcode-07Sep2006.txt
> 9c8e602295a55260aee2c2f1c701ac09 microcode_ctl-1.15.tar.gz
> 30e65074b4e9c0a43ef7a07d22a62506
> microcode_ctl-1.15/intel-ia32microcode-07Sep2006.txt
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> [root@svconsole firmware]# uname -a
> Linux svconsole 2.6.9-34.EL #1 Fri Feb 24 16:44:51 EST 2006 i686 i686 i386
> GNU/Linux
>
> [root@svconsole firmware]# cat /proc/cpuinfo
> processor      : 0
> vendor_id     : GenuineIntel
> cpu family    : 6
> model         : 7
> model name    : Pentium III (Katmai)
> stepping       : 3
> cpu MHz        : 501.193
> cache size    : 512 KB
> fdiv_bug      : no
> hlt_bug       : no
> f00f_bug      : no
> coma_bug      : no
> fpu           : yes
> fpu_exception : yes
> cpuid level   : 2
> wp            : yes
> flags          : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 mtrr pge mca cmov pat
> pse36 mmx fxsr sse
> bogomips      : 1003.29
>
> Please, let me know if you need any other info.
>
> Thank you!
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> --
> Best regards,
> Konstantin Khorenko
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> SWsoft Virtuozzo/OpenVZ Linux kernel team
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