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Subject: Node Crashes on 64 bit owing to a single file.

Posted by [Ligesh](#) on Thu, 11 Jan 2007 14:36:22 GMT

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Posted by [dev](#) on Thu, 11 Jan 2007 16:09:54 GMT

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Posted by [Ligesh](#) on Sat, 13 Jan 2007 17:48:02 GMT

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On Thu, Jan 11, 2007 at 07:19:52PM +0300, Kirill Korotaev wrote:

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Hehe. All \_system\_ applications crash. As I said, it crashes somewhere while reading time, here's the trace:

strace w.

```
-----
open("/proc/19241/stat", O_RDONLY) = 4
read(4, "19241 (w) R 19240 19240 14483 34"... , 1023) = 227
read(4, "w\0", 2047) = 2
close(4) = 0
getdents64(3, /* 0 entries */, 1024) = 0
close(3) = 0
open("/etc/localtime", O_RDONLY) = 3
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=0, ...}) = 0
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=0, ...}) = 0
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```
mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) =
0x2a983ab000
read(3, "", 4096) = 0
close(3) = 0
munmap(0x2a983ab000, 4096) = 0
--- SIGSEGV (Segmentation fault) @ 0 (0) ---
+++ killed by SIGSEGV +++
Process 19241 detached
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```

The kernel is the latest stable 64bit one. ovzkernel-smp-2.6.9-023stab037.3.x86\_64.rpm

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Actually the dmesg doesn't contain any information. But here's the ls -al of /vz/private and /vz/root directory. You will see that the offending vpses have their 'mtimes' shown as very large integers. They are the vpses which, when stopped, the problem goes away.

```
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# ls -al /vz/private
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 13 16:54 290
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 13 16:55 310
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Jan 13 13:40 320
drwxr-xr-x 22 root root 4096 2666130989161975770 330
drwxr-xr-x 21 root root 4096 Feb 11 2007 340
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Feb 11 2007 350
```

```
[root@cluster /]# ls -al /vz/root
total 100
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 13 16:53 280
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 13 16:54 290
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 13 16:55 310
drwxr-xr-x 22 root root 4096 2666130989161975770 330
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drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Jan 13 02:49 350
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Subject: Re: Node Crashes on 64 bit owing to a single file.  
Posted by [Ligesh](#) on Mon, 15 Jan 2007 07:23:25 GMT

This seems to be happening with all 64 bit installations of cpanel. The culprit seems to be cpanel. If you install cpanel in a vps on a 64 bit, the entire machine starts segfaulting, though the funny thing is, that the other vpses are alright. The node and the affected vpses keep segfaulting, but the other vpses run fine. Should I file a bug report?

Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Node Crashes on 64 bit owing to a single file.

Posted by [Ligesh](#) on Mon, 15 Jan 2007 07:27:07 GMT

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One update:

The same problem happens if cpanel is installed on the node too. It is possible that it is a bug in the linux kernel and not in openvz.

Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Node Crashes on 64 bit owing to a single file.

Posted by [Vasily Tarasov](#) on Mon, 15 Jan 2007 07:31:18 GMT

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Just for your information, one more person has such problem:

<http://forum.openvz.org/index.php?t=tree&th=1778&mid=9581&&rev=&reveal=>

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Posted by [Ligesh](#) on Sun, 21 Jan 2007 16:01:44 GMT

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This is a widespread problem and seem to be very specific to cpanel on 64bit. It is very much reproducible. Just install cpanel in either node or inside a vps, and everything will start segfaulting.

here's the ltrace for vzctl start.

```

-----
start(3, 0x3106b114a6, 0x3106b0b090, 0x7472617473006c, 0xfefefefefefeff <unfinished ...>
__libc_start_main(0x402c90, 3, 0x7fbffffa48, 0x405720, 0x405780 <unfinished ...>
init_vps_param(3, 0x7fbffffa48, 0x7fbffffa68, 32, 0x7fbffff9a0)      = 0x508010
init_vps_param(0x508010, 0, 0x508308, 0x508010, 0)                = 0x5084e0
init_vps_param(0x5084e0, 0, 0x5087d8, 0x5084e0, 0)                = 0x5089b0
sigemptyset(0x7fbffff7a8)                                         = 0
sigaction(13, 0x7fbffff7a0, NULL)                                  = 0
init_log(0, 0, 1, 0, 0)                                           = 0
opendir("/usr/lib/vzctl/modules/")                                 = NULL
__errno_location()                                                 = 0x2a95565ea0
logger(2, 2, 0x406910, -64, 0x7fbffffc2a)                         = 0
parse_int(0x7fbffffc30, 0x7fbffff79c, 0x406910, 0x310720ac51, 0x7fbffffc2a) = 0
vps_parse_config(3390, 0x405894, 0x508010, 0x5078e0, 0x7fbffff748) = 0
init_log(0x509100, 3390, 1, 0, 0)                                  = 0
getopt_long(1, 0x7fbffffa58, "", 0x7fbffff570, NULL)              = -1
get_vps_conf_path(3390, 0x7fbffff840, 256, 0, 1)                 = 24
stat_file(0x7fbffff840, 0x310721a48d, 24, 0x7fbffff858, 4)       = 1
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merge_vps_param(0x508010, 0x5084e0, 0, 0x5099a0, 128608)          = 0
merge_global_param(0x5089b0, 0x508010, 0x5086b8, 0x5081e8, 0x3106f306f8) = 0
vz_open(3390, 5, 0x508010, 0x5084e0, 0x5089b0)                  = 0x509c30
vps_lock(3390, 0x5090c0, 0x405821, -1, 32Removing stale lock file /vz/lock/3390.lck
<unfinished ...>
--- SIGSEGV (Segmentation fault) ---
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```
ls -al /vz/private
```

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```
drwxr-xr-x 21 root root 4096 Jan 21 06:21 3350
drwxr-xr-x 25 root root 4096 Jan 21 06:22 3360
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Jan 21 06:22 3370
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Here's 'ltrace reboot'. The node is crashing in ctime, primarily because time(), is returning too big a number.

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chdir("/")                                       = 0
strchr("0", ':')                               = NULL
__strtol_internal("0", NULL, 10)                 = 0
strncat(0x7fbffff480, 0x504a20, 319, 0, 0x1999999999999999) = 0x7fbffff480
snprintf("", 4209868, "\377\377\377\377\377\377\377\377"... ) = 43
getuid()                                        = 0
getpwuid(0, 1, 0, -1, 0xfefefefefefeff)         = 0x3106f31600
strncat(0x5048c0, 0x505010, 31, 0, 0)           = 0x5048c0
ttyname(0)                                     = "/dev/pts/1"
sprintf("", " ")                               = 8
time(0x7fbffff278)                             = 2666130989162650727
ctime(0x7fbffff278)                             = NULL
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Posted by [dev](#) on Mon, 22 Jan 2007 09:55:24 GMT

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2. does CPANEL require license? Will try to experiment locally meanwhile.

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