
Subject: *SOLVED* Are user beancounters available as separate patch?

Posted by [piavlo](#) on Sat, 09 Jun 2007 23:25:43 GMT

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Thanks
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Subject: Re: Are user beancounters available as separate patch?

Posted by [piavlo](#) on Sat, 09 Jun 2007 23:40:28 GMT

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Actually i meant to use beancounters on a user basis and not on Virtual Environment basis. From the docs i see that UBC are applied to VEs can they be applied just to users?

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Subject: Re: Are user beancounters available as separate patch?

Posted by [rickb](#) on Sun, 10 Jun 2007 02:38:47 GMT

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Its an interesting idea for sure, but no one has such a patch. the user_beancounters file is a report of the kernel VE accounting structures of course, and to populate them you need all of the accounting functions in the kernel. Maybe someone could adapt the VE context to a system user,

but this isn't likely to be on the openvz project roadmap.

Subject: Re: Are user beancounters available as separate patch?

Posted by [Vasily Tarasov](#) on Thu, 14 Jun 2007 08:53:29 GMT

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Hello,

You're right, UBC is a separate thing, that can be used as a separate technology. I see now two major ways:

1) You can use pure OpenVZ kernel. There are syscalls: `setluid()`, `setublimit()`, ... that allow you to set a UB for a process and manage UB limits. So, actually you can set a separate UB for every user's first process and in this way achieve your aim.

You can consult `vzctl` sources and kernel sources for more details.

2) There was an attempt to merge UBC in mainstream, so there were patches and user-space tools that allow to create a UBC-based solutions separated from OpenVZ. Look at `lkml` and container mailing lists archives.

HTH,
Vasily.
