
Subject: Strange performance issue

Posted by [vaserv](#) on Mon, 20 Aug 2007 20:40:58 GMT

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I've got a strange performance issue on a host machine that has a number of VPS on it but I wouldn't call overloaded and it seems to be a CPU limit issue but I can't see what

On the host

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# time perl -e 'sqrt(100) for (0..1000000)'
```

```
real  0m0.044s
user  0m0.041s
sys   0m0.003s
```

Inside the VE

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# vzctl exec 881980 "time perl -e 'sqrt(100) for (0..1000000)'"
```

```
real  0m3.897s
user  0m3.881s
sys   0m0.015s
```

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# uname -a
```

```
Linux vz26uk.vaserv.com 2.6.9-023stab044.4-smp #1 SMP Mon May 28 23:15:47 MSD 2007
x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# uptime
```

```
16:32:49 up 5 days, 9:41, 1 user, load average: 1.37, 0.88, 0.67
```

CPU is Core2Quad with all 4 CPU's detected

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# free
```

	total	used	free	shared	buffers	cached
Mem:	6267700	6205080	62620	0	37960	1288820
-/+ buffers/cache:	4878300	1389400				
Swap:	2096472	764	2095708			

Slightly edited conf file

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# cat /etc/sysconfig/vz-scripts/881980.conf
```

```
ONBOOT="yes"
```

```
# UBC parameters (in form of barrier:limit)
```

```
# Primary parameters
```

```
AVNUMPROC="40:40"
```

```
NUMPROC="999999:999999"
```

```
NUMTCPSOCK="7999992:7999992"
```

```
NUMOTHERSOCK="7999992:7999992"
VMGUARPAGES="131072:2147483647"
# Secondary parameters
KMEMSIZE="2147483646:2147483646"
TCPSNDBUF="107374592:289400832"
TCPRCVBUF="107374592:289400832"
OTHERSOCKBUF="107374592:289400832"
DGRAMRCVBUF="107374592:289400832"
OOMGUARPAGES="131072:2147483647"
# Auxiliary parameters
LOCKEDPAGES="999999:999999"
SHMPAGES="131072:131072"
PRIVVMPAGES="262144:262144"
NUMFILE="23999976:23999976"
NUMFLOCK="999999:999999"
NUMPTY="500000:500000"
NUMSIGINFO="999999:999999"
DCACHESIZE="2147483646:2147483646"
```

```
PHYSPAGES="0:2147483647"
NUMIPTENT="999999:999999"
```

```
# Disk quota parameters (in form of softlimit:hardlimit)
DISKSPACE="20480000:20480000"
DISKINODES="10240000:10240000"
QUOTATIME="0"
```

```
# CPU fair sheduler parameter
CPUUNITS="1000"
VE_ROOT="/vz/root/$VEID"
VE_PRIVATE="/vz/private/881980"
OSTEMPLATE="cpanel"
ORIGIN_SAMPLE="vps.basic"
QUOTAUGIDLIMIT="1000"
CPULIMIT="400"
MEMINFO="pages:262144"
IPTABLES="iptables_filter iptable_mangle ipt_limit ipt_multiport ipt_tos ipt_TOS ipt_REJECT
ipt_TCPMSS ipt_tcpmss ipt_ttl ipt_LOG ipt_length ip_conntrack ip_conntrack_ftp ip_conntrack_irc
ipt_conntrack ipt_state ipt_helper iptable_nat ip_nat_ftp ip_nat_irc ipt_REDIRECT"
```

Any ideas what is going on?

Thanks

Rus

Subject: Re: Strange performance issue
Posted by [locutius](#) on Mon, 20 Aug 2007 21:31:27 GMT
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these values appear very low for your hardware

```
CPULIMIT="400"  
CPUUNITS="1000"
```

(am i correct the limit should not be smaller than the assigned units for an individual VPS?)

vzcpucheck will give you your current HN limit and you will see immediately you need a sane view on your HN capability. run vzsplit on your HN and split 16 ways then again split 32 ways. compare the output and look at the CPULIMIT values

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Everyone has the same CPUUNITS/CPULIMIT so as I understand it everything should be equal. Just going to an extreme though

```
[root@vz26uk ~]# vzctl set 881980 --cpulimit 10000 --cpuunits 480082  
Setting CPU limit: 10000  
Setting CPU units: 480082  
Configure meminfo: 262144  
WARNING: Settings were not saved and will be resetted to original values on next start (use  
--save flag)  
[root@vz26uk ~]# vzctl exec 881980 "time perl -e 'sqrt(100) for (0..1000000)'"  
real 0m2.971s  
user 0m2.934s  
sys 0m0.034s
```

No change (BTW this node is running hypervm so those limits are set via that but I take what you are saying.) Its just this one VPS out of 700 or so that is playing up which I'm finding weird all with very similar settings

Subject: Re: Strange performance issue
Posted by [locutius](#) on Mon, 20 Aug 2007 21:55:26 GMT
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did you try raising his AVNUMPROC?

do you know what is he running?

btw is hypervm any good?

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I put it to 250 (average is actually 60-80)

Running cPanel, no active websites

From inside the VE

```
root@ariel [/]# uptime
22:53:24 up 15:27, 0 users, load average: 0.10, 0.07, 0.02
root@ariel [/]# free
              total        used        free       shared    buffers     cached
Mem:      1048576     311112     737464          0          0          0
-/+ buffers/cache:  311112     737464
Swap:            0          0          0
```

```
root@ariel [/]# time perl -e 'sqrt(100) for (0..1000000)'
```

```
real    0m3.863s
user    0m3.861s
sys     0m0.003s
```

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Posted by [locutius](#) on Tue, 21 Aug 2007 02:57:33 GMT
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reboot him see if it persists (i guess you done that already)

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Posted by [devonblzx](#) on Tue, 21 Aug 2007 05:37:44 GMT

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CPUUnits is accounted by vzcpucheck, not cpulimit. CPUlimit is 100 for every core/cpu you have. Therefore for a quad-core the maximum is 400. Try raising the cpuunits to more like 100000 instead of 1000, although I'm not sure if that will do anything.
