
Subject: problem run shell script by vzctl exec
Posted by [hhdng](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 03:42:32 GMT
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what's the problem?

```
server3:~# vzctl exec 180 cat hi.sh
#!/bin/bash
```

```
echo $HOME
server3:~# vzctl exec 180 hi.sh
/
server3:~# vzctl exec 180 echo $HOME
/root
```

```
server3:~# aptitude show vzctl
Package: vzctl
State: installed
Automatically installed: yes
Version: 3.0.18-1
Priority: optional
Section: admin
Maintainer: Ola Lundqvist <opal@debian.org <mailto:opal@debian.org>>
Uncompressed Size: 872k
Depends: libc6 (>= 2.3.6-6), iproute, vzquota
Recommends: rsync
Suggests: kernel-patch-openvz
```

.....

```
server3:~# uname -a
Linux server3 2.6.18-028stab045 #11 Wed Oct 10 13:28:22 CST 2007 i686
GNU/Linux
server3:~#
```

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iD8DBQFHKpyoJo9Njjkvy34RAscYAKCATCPihKg3wXmOYRGCbKB/Ha++OwCeM2cL
sAf+xxn1ga2Mynj+rfeCsnQ=
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Subject: Re: problem run shell script by vzctl exec
Posted by [Drake Wilson](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 05:50:27 GMT

Quoth "hhding.gnu" <hhding.gnu@gmail.com>, on 2007-11-02 11:42:32 +0800:

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Subprocess for bash starts running inside VE 180, begins executing hi.sh. It's got a different environment, and expands \$HOME into /, then echoes it to stdout.

```
> server3:~# vzctl exec 180 echo $HOME
> /root
```

Current shell expands \$HOME into /root. Subprocess for echo starts running inside VE 180, with the parameter already expanded. (vzctl doesn't even see the "\$HOME".) It is told to echo "/root" to stdout, so it does.

Does that sound about right?

---> Drake Wilson

Subject: Re: problem run shell script by vzctl exec
Posted by [dev](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 11:34:31 GMT
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yep. the actual command executed in 2nd case is:
server3:~# vzctl exec 180 echo /root

Kirill

On Fri, 2007-11-02 at 00:50 -0500, Drake Wilson wrote:

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> > /root
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