Subject: Reapplying an OS template
Posted by shuveb on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 12:22:54 GMT
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TIA,
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Shuveb Hussain

Subject: Re: Reapplying an OS template
Posted by Dariush Pietrzak on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 12:48:37 GMT
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technically you can do it this way:
 unpack a template, then run

 diff -ruN /var/lib/vz/template/cache/unpacked-template
 /var/lib/vz/private/ve-with-your-changes > my-changes.diff

and then apply the diff to your re-created template, but this would only
work for very simple things, and things that are compatible between
different templates (for examples, say you created /root/Dear.Diary, and
logged some personal notes there, then this 'change' would still apply to
your new system, but then, let's say you installed some binary apps, then
the diff prepared this way, wouldn't work that well anymore)

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Subject: Re: Reapplying an OS template
Posted by shuveb on Tue, 20 Nov 2007 13:06:07 GMT
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Hi,

On Nov 20, 2007 6:18 PM, Dariush Pietrzak <ml-openvz-eyck@ddiary.eu> wrote:
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I think my explanation wasn't good enough. The changes I meant were
things like quota, cpulimit, cpuunits, etc all pertaining to OpenVZ. I
don't mind losing changes in the private area. I guess all those
changes I make will be safe in the OpenVZ private config file.

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Shuveb Hussain.