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Subject: problems with vzctl init logging patch  
Posted by [Dietmar Maurer](#) on Wed, 12 Mar 2008 09:36:57 GMT  
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hi all,

my init logging patch works so far, but unfortunately it breaks checkpointing:

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>vzctl chkpnt 101  
Setting up checkpoint...  
suspend...  
dump...  
Can not dump container: Invalid argument  
Error: d_path err=-22  
Checkpointing failed  
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```

Maybe some of the developers can give me a hint whats wrong?

ls of shows (16531 id the logging process)

```
lt-vzctl 16531 root cwd DIR 0,22 4096  
1226401 /var/lib/vz/root/101  
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2047179 /home/dietmar/pve/vzctl/vzctl-3.0.22/src/.libs/lt-vzctl  
lt-vzctl 16531 root mem REG 0,0  
0 [heap] (stat: No such file or directory)  
lt-vzctl 16531 root mem REG 8,1 97928  
1896840 /lib/ld-2.3.6.so  
lt-vzctl 16531 root mem REG 8,1 488939  
2031943  
/home/dietmar/pve/vzctl/vzctl-3.0.22/src/lib/.libs/libvzctl-0.0.2.so  
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1896846 /lib/libdl-2.3.6.so  
lt-vzctl 16531 root mem REG 8,1 10520  
1896843 /lib/libutil-2.3.6.so  
lt-vzctl 16531 root mem REG 8,1 1282008  
1896845 /lib/libc-2.3.6.so  
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1423308 /var/lib/vz/root/101/dev/null  
lt-vzctl 16531 root 1w REG 0,22 1941  
1232142 /var/lib/vz/root/101/var/log/init.log  
lt-vzctl 16531 root 2r FIFO 0,22  
1232141 /var/lib/vz/root/101/var/log/init.fifo
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Just a guess: its the logging proxess itself, because that process still runs on the host - I need to do a exec instead?

- Dietmar

> Von: users-bounces@openvz.org  
> [mailto:users-bounces@openvz.org] Im Auftrag von Dietmar Maurer

> An: users@openvz.org  
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Ok, exec solves the problem. Attached is the new patch.

- Dietmar

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Subject: Re: AW: problems with vzctl init logging patch  
Posted by [kir](#) on Wed, 12 Mar 2008 15:09:31 GMT  
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Ok, will send a new patch when ready.

- Dietmar

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Subject: Re: AW: AW: problems with vzctl init logging patch  
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I guess you are right - will rewrite it.

- Dietmar

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I just remembered why I hate shell programming ;-)

Please can someone tell me how to do a binary read with a shell. In perl  
I simple do:

```
while (my $len = sysread (LOGFIFO, $buf, 4096)) {  
  syswrite (LOGFILE, $buf);  
}
```

How to do that with a shell script? I first tried:

```
cat <$logfifo >>$logfile
```

But that spans a new process, and I do not want that.

Using builtin commands only:

```
while [ 1 ]; do  
  read line || break  
  echo $line  
done < $logfifo >>$logfile
```

Works, but always waits for whole lines (we want to read/write  
immediatly instead)

The following code works for bash, but not for other shells:

```
while [ 1 ]; do  
  # -n is not available everywhere (i.e. dash)  
  read -n 1 data || break  
  if [ -z $data ]; then  
    echo  
  else  
    echo -n $data  
  fi  
done < $logfifo >>$logfile
```

Any Ideas?

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