
Subject: Sluggishness after a while
Posted by [ugob](#) on Mon, 28 Apr 2008 22:57:08 GMT
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Hi,

I'm running 2.6.18-53.1.13.el5.028stab053.10PAE on one of my server and once in a while, it starts becoming slow and unresponsive, and it comes back to normal after a reboot. That is really weird. One symptom is that when I execute "top" it takes a very long while to load, while "ps aux" is instant. No failcnt in user_beancounters.

Any idea?

HW: HP lpr2000 2x PIII Tualatin 1.13, 1.750 MB RAM.

Regards,
Ugo

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while [dies after a while]
Posted by [jergendutch](#) on Wed, 30 Apr 2008 16:40:57 GMT
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I see this on CentOS 5.1 as host. I can't get past entering my username. I have enabled magic sysrq to debug it.

2.6.18-53.1.13.el5.028stab053.10

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while [dies after a while]
Posted by [ugob](#) on Wed, 30 Apr 2008 16:51:12 GMT
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Mine is a Centos 4.x host.

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while
Posted by [TheWiseOne](#) on Thu, 01 May 2008 16:07:33 GMT
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Do you see anything related to "unregister_netdevice" in the kernel messages log?

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Posted by [ugob](#) on Thu, 01 May 2008 17:20:26 GMT
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/var/log/messages:Apr 28 06:05:16 hnlubik01 kernel: ibm_acpi: Unknown symbol
backlight_device_unregister
/var/log/messages.1.gz:Apr 26 08:04:28 hnlubik01 kernel: ibm_acpi: Unknown symbol
backlight_device_unregister

That is all I got about "unregister". It was at boot.

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while
Posted by [maratrus](#) on Mon, 05 May 2008 14:49:40 GMT
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Hi,

And what does "top" show? Anything strange? Processor or disk activity.
Nothing in logs or in dmesg?

P.S. May be it worth checking your server?

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while
Posted by [jergendutch](#) on Wed, 07 May 2008 12:40:39 GMT
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I would try a hardware test and bugzilla this.

http://wiki.openvz.org/Hardware_testing

Subject: Re: Sluggishness after a while
Posted by [jergendutch](#) on Wed, 14 May 2008 07:52:00 GMT
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Try booting with "noacpi":

1. At the grub boot screen type "a" for append
2. Type " noacpi" (space acpi), press enter
3. Press enter again or "b" for boot.

WFM.
