
Subject: samba: no entropy gathering module detected

Posted by [whity](#) on Thu, 28 Aug 2008 09:39:47 GMT

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Hello,

I have to install a samba server on a newly created VE. But if i try to start samba i get this error message in smb.log:

[2008/08/28 11:12:31, 0] smbd/server.c:main(948)

smbd version 3.0.28-1.el5_2.1 started.

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Fatal: no entropy gathering module detected

I found a forum entry back in November 2006 where the kernel was the problem.

So, i updated my kernel this morning from 2.6.18-53.1.19.el5.028stab053.14 to

2.6.18-92.1.1.el5.028stab057.2 in the hope that this fixes the problem. But it does not.

HN and VE are both fully up to date CentOS 5.2 machines.

VE:

samba-3.0.28-1.el5_2.1

samba-common-3.0.28-1.el5_2.1

HN:

ovzkernel-2.6.18-92.1.1.el5.028stab057.2

vzctl-lib-3.0.22-1

vzctl-3.0.22-1

vzquota-3.0.11-1

The HN has /dev/urandom and /dev/random, but the VE only has /dev/random. Don't know if this may be the problem. Tried to create the node manually and rebooted the VE, but did not help either.

Any other ideas?

Thanks

Urs

Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected

Posted by [maratrus](#) on Thu, 28 Aug 2008 10:02:35 GMT

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Hello,

Quote:

Tried to create the node manually and rebooted the VE, but did not help either.

How did you do that?

The best way to do it is doing via vzctl:
(man vzctl : Device access management)

Could you strace "start samba" program to find out what does it complain about.
http://wiki.openvz.org/Stracing_a_program

Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected
Posted by [whity](#) on Thu, 28 Aug 2008 10:45:50 GMT
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I've attached two straces.

"strace.out.before" contains the strace without existing /dev/random.

"strace.out.after" contains the strace with the /dev/random created over vzctl. After starting smbd the process stays hanging at 100% cpu load.

File Attachments

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- 1) [strace.out.before](#), downloaded 317 times
 - 2) [strace.out.after](#), downloaded 321 times
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Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected
Posted by [maratrus](#) on Thu, 28 Aug 2008 13:06:17 GMT
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Hi,

try to remove urandom inside VE:

```
# rm -f /dev/urandom
```

and then create it from HN via vzctl.

Please, tell what OStemplate do you use!

Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected
Posted by [whity](#) on Fri, 29 Aug 2008 09:40:15 GMT
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That works.

I use a OStemplate i built myself some time ago at the very beginning of my openVZ use.

Thanks
Urs

Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected

Posted by [luisdev](#) on Mon, 22 Sep 2008 13:07:00 GMT

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I had to remove and then recreate the /dev/random device, too.

Subject: Re: samba: no entropy gathering module detected

Posted by [digidax](#) on Wed, 17 Dec 2008 07:44:01 GMT

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Same problem but fixed with additional device random

vzctl exec VEID /sbin/MAKEDEV urandom

vzctl exec VEID /sbin/MAKEDEV random

In this template are both devices missed.

VE created based on centos-5-x86_64-default-5.2-20081210

Bug generated in Bugzilla.

best regards
Frank
