I am preparing (cloning) a new OpenVZ 7 server.

However, when rebuilding /vz (with mdadm RAID-1 3 x 4TB HDD), the sync status is very slow (around 1-4MByte per second).

If I umount /vz, the rebuild speed resumes as normal (around 150Mbyte per second)
If I mount /vz again, the rebuild speed slows down again (around 1-4MByte per second)

The 3 HDD are blank new. I tried to replace SATA cables.

Kernel: 3.10.0-957.12.2.vz7.86.2
No CT nor VM are running. Completely idle server.

Any hints to check?

Thank you for your kind attention
Regards
George

Sorry, the problem shall be resolved.

It was caused by ext4lazyinit.

If I use -
  mkfs.ext4 -E lazy_itable_init=0,lazy_journal_init=0 /dev/xxx/yyy
Then wait for mkfs.ext4 some time (a few minutes).
Not sure why ext4lazyinit runs over a hour, but still running...

Then, the mdadm rebuild performance looks normal even the /vz filesystem is mounted.