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Subject: OpenVZ 7 OOM killing systemd in containers

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We are experiencing some problems with OpenVZ 7 hosts killing systemd in containers, so the container is stopped.

Is there any way to limit/block/set this in order to prevent killing systemd when low on memory? Is this behaviour expected?

The loaded kernel is 3.10.0-1127.8.2.vz7.151.14

On OpenVZ 6 this could be configured in `/etc/vz/oom-groups.conf`, but on OpenVZ 7 seems that it should be configured for systemd services as explained in [https://docs.virtuozzo.com/virtuozzo\\_hybrid\\_server\\_7\\_users\\_guide/managing-resources/managing-containers-memory-parameters.html](https://docs.virtuozzo.com/virtuozzo_hybrid_server_7_users_guide/managing-resources/managing-containers-memory-parameters.html). However, this would not apply to systemd itself.

This is an example of a systemd's container being killed:

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oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Task in /machine.slice/3402 killed as a result of limit of /machine.slice/3402
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: memory: usage 8362832kB, limit 8388608kB, failcnt 1869533
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: memory+swap: usage 8388608kB, limit 8388608kB, failcnt 12306558
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: kmem: usage 570448kB, limit 4194304kB, failcnt 0
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Memory cgroup stats for /machine.slice/3402: rss_huge:0KB mapped_file:10236KB shmem:726376KB slab_unreclaimable:219768KB swap:25776KB cache:739468KB rss:70
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Memory cgroup out of memory: Kill process 644121 (systemd) score 20 or sacrifice child
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Killed process 625032 (spamd) in VE "3402", UID 0, total-vm:246960kB, anon-rss:120712kB, file-rss:208kB, shmem-rss:0kB
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: php-cgi invoked oom-killer: gfp_mask=0xd0, order=0, oom_score_adj=0
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: php-cgi cpuset=3402 mems_allowed=0
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: CPU: 2 PID: 555524 Comm: php-cgi ve: 3402 Kdump: loaded Tainted: G      W OE ----- 3.10.0-1127.8.2.vz7.151.14 #1 151.14
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Hardware name: To Be Filled By O.E.M. To Be Filled By O.E.M./E3C246D4U2-2T, BIOS L2.02K 12/18/2019
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: Call Trace:
oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [
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mem\_cgroup\_oom\_synchronize+0x4b9/0x510

oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [<fffffffa81d84c3>] pagefault\_out\_of\_memory+0x13/0x50

oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [<fffffffa87af06d>] mm\_fault\_error+0x6a/0x157

oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [<fffffffa87c49a1>] \_\_do\_page\_fault+0x491/0x500

oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [<fffffffa87c4a45>] do\_page\_fault+0x35/0x90

oct 27 18:27:55 hostname kernel: [<fffffffa87c0778>] page\_fault+0x28/0x30

Any help would be appreciated.

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