Subject: vzdump with datestamps
Posted by vader897 on Thu, 15 Jan 2009 05:24:30 GMT
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I am trying to edit vzdump so that it will append the date and maybe time to the filename of the outputted tar file.

for example vzdump-VEID-%Y-%m-%d-%H-%M-%s.tar.gz

It seems fairly straight foward

On a side note, I think a nifty upgrade for vzdump would be for it to allow users to append a label. For example, vzdump 101 -L my_special_backup would spit out a file called vzdump-101-my_special_backup.tar.gz

Dont get sidetracked by my feature request, the real question is how can I edit the vzdump code jus to get a datestamp for now. The line that needs to be changed is 1287.

my $basename = "vzdump-${vpsid}";

basically, i have never coded in perl before so I have just been guessing at code to no avail. Can anyone lend me a hand?

Any ideas?

Subject: Re: vzdump with datestamps
Posted by vader897 on Tue, 20 Jan 2009 23:59:52 GMT
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Figured it out myself.

I changed

my $basename = "vzdump-${vpsid}";

to this

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(my $sec,my $min,my $hour,my $mday,my $mon,my $year,my $wday,my $yday,my
$isdst)=localtime(time);
$year += 1900;
$mon += 1;

my $basename = "vzdump-${vpsid}-$year-$mon-$mday-$hour-$min-$sec";
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Maybe thats helpful to someone else. The reason why I wanted to do this was so that vzdump wouldnt overwrite files, I thought appending the date to the filenames would be more useful than just a number.

What I will do next is write a script to set as a cronjob which will do a few things.

1. dump all VE's every night
2. delete all VE's older than 2 weeks except for ones dumped on sunday.
3. delete all VE's older than 1 month except for the ones dumped on the first sunday of the month

you get the idea...
