

Ever-raising kernel load caused by DRBD 8.4.6 to 8.4.9-1

Initial problem

Several times a single LXC guest became unreachable, the host's "load" started to rise slowly but continuously up to ~1000 (!) and more, fortunately with the host still allowing to login via ssh but unfortunately with only one way out: Reset button. Ouch. WTF.

The details and further solution attempts are now described and tracked in [Ever-rising load on Debian jessie + DRBD8 + LXC host pairs](#).

Initial suspicion and upstream DRBD 8 kernel modules

In 3 of the first 4 cases of the problem described above the first unusual syslog entry hinted at DRBD.

Therefore we packaged (Debianized) the most-recent upstream kernel modul.

We are currently unsure wether DRBD has anything to do with the problem, but are still maintaining those packages, see [Debian jessie builds of DKMSed upstream DRBD8 Kernel Module](#).

Solution: Patching DRBD 8 kernel module

See bottom of [Ever-rising load on Debian jessie + DRBD8 + LXC host pairs](#).