

Re: Soft Update – directory/file listing

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On Thu, Aug 28, 2003 at 09:20:51AM +0300, Peter Pentchev wrote:

> *On Thu, Aug 28, 2003 at 08:47:18AM +0300, vezku@surfeu.fi wrote:*

> > *Hey all,*

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> > *I'm having trouble with slow directory/file listing, which especially*
> > *noticable with SSH. It can be noticed when doing "ls -l" (UID/GID*
> > *resolving, sorting) on a directory that has only about 200*
> > *files/subdirectories.*

> > *My system is a 5.1-RELEASE, sparc64 on SUN250E (I first asked from the*
> > *sparc64 list). There are about 5000 accounts on this server.*

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> *A quick shot in the dark: is the file listing also slow *without**
> *the uid/gid resolving?*

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Oh, and another one: if the answer to the above is 'yes', then are those 5000 accounts actually local to the system (stored in the passwd file/db), or accessed via YP/NIS, LDAP or something similar?

> > *The file system does not have Soft Updates enabled. Would this help?*

> > *Any similar experiences? All hints greatly appreciated. Thanks!*

G'luck,

Peter

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