

openQA Project - action #92046

os-autoinst file doc/backends.md references VIRSH_MAC which only applies to os-autoinst-distri-opensuse

2021-05-01 14:09 - okurz

Status:	Workable	Start date:	2021-05-01
Priority:	Low	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	Concrete Bugs	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	future		
Difficulty:			

Description

Observation

In <https://discord.com/channels/366985425371398146/817367056956653621/837962685173071884> user "Amin" asked: "What is VIRSH_MAC?" related to an earlier question about using libvirt with openQA. I found a reference to VIRSH_MAC only in <https://github.com/os-autoinst/os-autoinst/blob/a1b2e4bab594e1c37abab8045a8c3354ca1d03ce/doc/backends.md>, nowhere else in os-autoinst code nor openQA nor the git histories of both repositories but we also reference VIRSH_MAC values in <https://gitlab.suse.de/openqa/salt-pillars-openqa> added by mgriessmeier in 2019.

Acceptance criteria

- **AC1:** VIRSH_MAC is only referenced in documentation ~~in case it's actually used somewhere~~ in the project where it's used/defined

Suggestions

- ~~DONE: Crosscheck with mgriessmeier or other users what this value is intended for~~
- ~~Delete references if not used~~ Make sure this variable – and potentially other variables – are only referenced where defined or used, maybe it can be just moved to os-autoinst-distri-opensuse or the corresponding code can be moved to os-autoinst

History

#1 - 2021-05-01 14:24 - okurz

- Subject changed from *os-autoinst file doc/backends.md references VIRSH_MAC which seems to not be used anywhere to os-autoinst file doc/backends.md references VIRSH_MAC which only applies to os-autoinst-distri-opensuse*

- Description updated

- Status changed from *In Progress* to *Workable*

- Assignee deleted (*okurz*)

- Target version changed from *Ready* to *future*

found it. It's read in os-autoinst-distri-opensuse, not os-autoinst. It's only used in https://github.com/os-autoinst/os-autoinst-distri-opensuse/blob/64c984ce2d268733743431d74b7d8553b6d274a9/lib/bootloader_setup.pm#L1032, within os-autoinst-distri-opensuse, the default test distribution used for openSUSE / SUSE Linux Enterprise. We should clarify that this test variable and potentially others are not something that are actually needed within os-autoinst itself. But please be aware that there are likely no successful uses of the svirt backend outside os-autoinst-distri-opensuse so maybe in the current implementation it really only works together.