Liquidshop 5 Where we at with liquidsoap!

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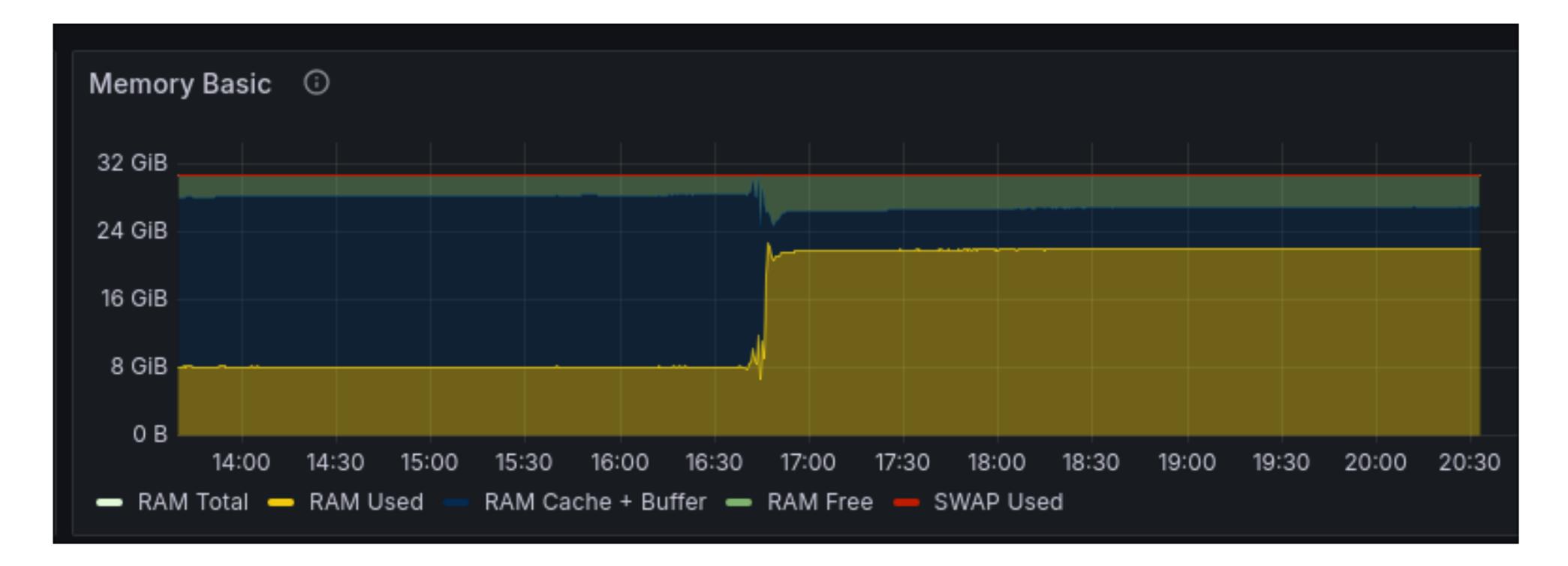
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 $t_e - t_s < 0.02s$: sleep 😴

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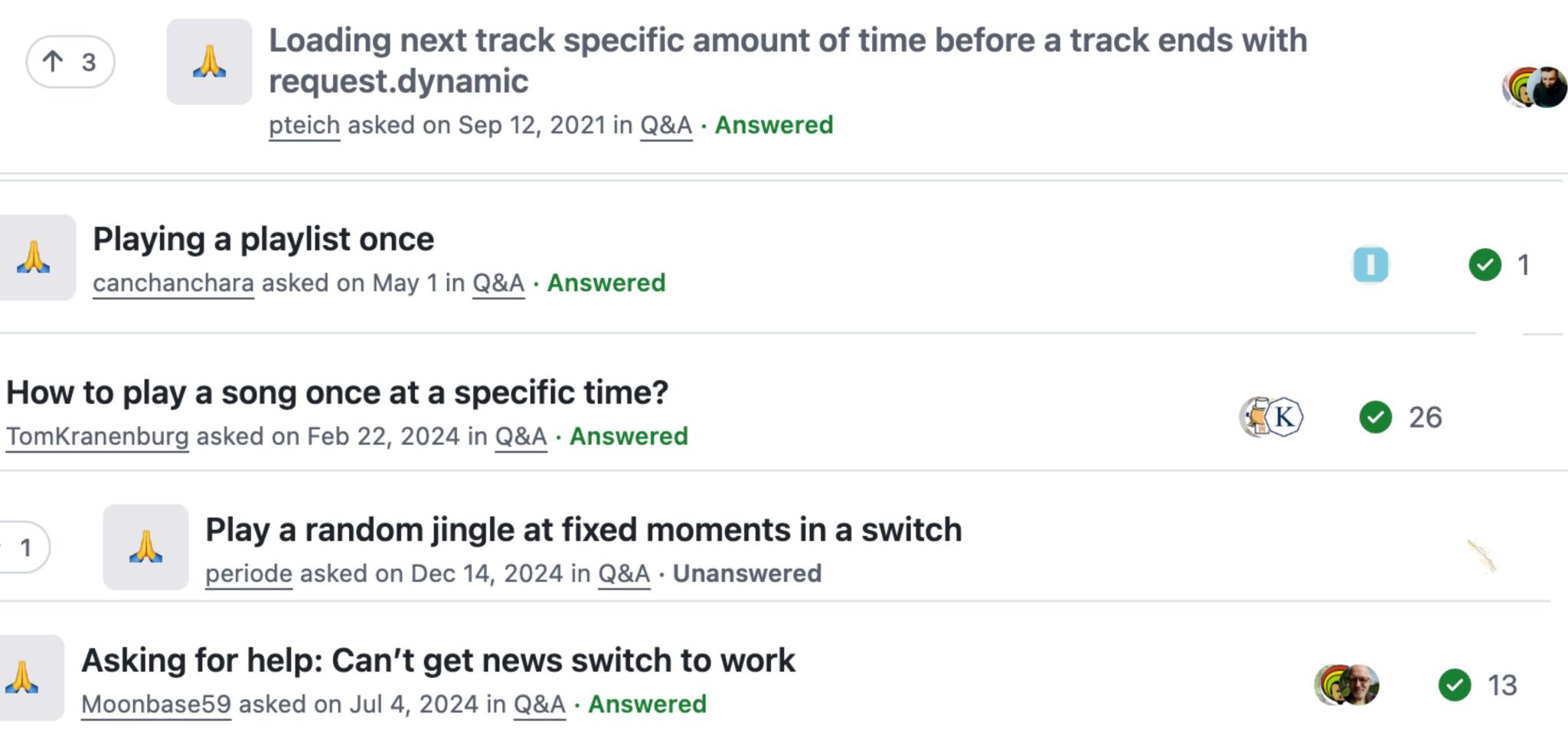
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i have a problem with rendering of text.

What kind of problem do you have, given that the screenshot shows a bunch of tofu symbols, so I asked what was written there?

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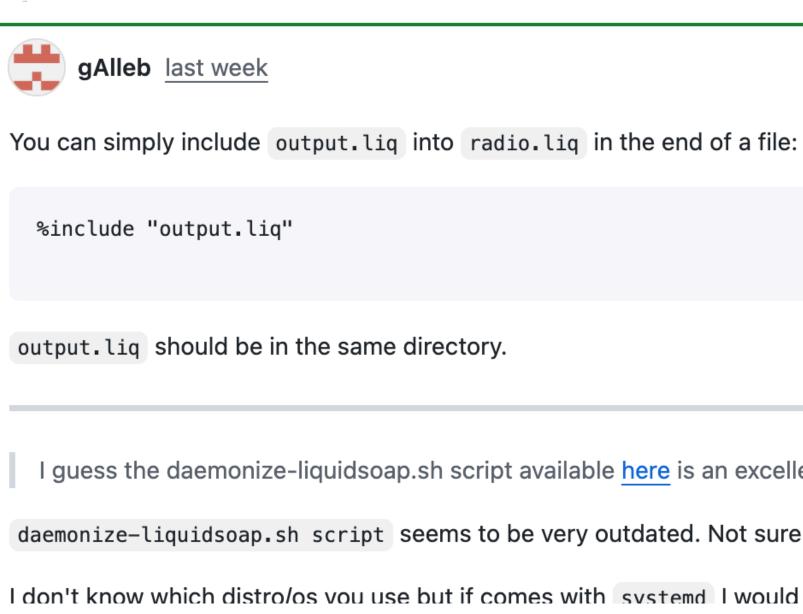
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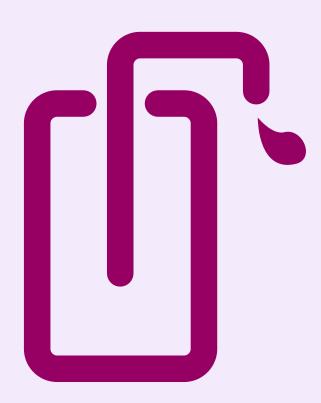
I guess the daemonize-liquidsoap.sh script available here is an excellent starting point.

daemonize-liquidsoap.sh script seems to be very outdated. Not sure that it's a good idea to use it.

I don't know which distro/os you use but if comes with systemd I would recommend using it to control your liquidsoap instance:

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The Liquidsoap book



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How should we keep in touch?

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