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Subject: Re: [PATCH 3/9] Containers (V9): Add tasks file interface  
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```
> +static int attach_task_by_pid(struct container *cont, char *pidbuf)
> +{
> + pid_t pid;
> + struct task_struct *tsk;
> + int ret;
> +
> + if (sscanf(pidbuf, "%d", &pid) != 1)
> + return -EIO;
> +
> + if (pid) {
> + read_lock(&tasklist_lock);
```

You could just use rcu\_read\_lock() and rcu\_read\_unlock() instead of read\_lock(&tasklist\_lock) and read\_unlock(&tasklist\_lock).

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> +
> + tsk = find_task_by_pid(pid);
> + if (!tsk || tsk->flags & PF_EXITING) {
> + read_unlock(&tasklist_lock);
> + return -ESRCH;
> + }
> +
> + get_task_struct(tsk);
> + read_unlock(&tasklist_lock);
> +
> + if ((current->euid) && (current->euid != tsk->uid)
> + && (current->euid != tsk->suid)) {
> + put_task_struct(tsk);
> + return -EACCES;
> + }
> + } else {
> + tsk = current;
> + get_task_struct(tsk);
> + }
> +
> + ret = attach_task(cont, tsk);
> + put_task_struct(tsk);
> + return ret;
> +}
> +
> /* The various types of files and directories in a container file system */
>
> typedef enum {
> @@ -684,6 +789,54 @@ typedef enum {
```

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> FILE_TASKLIST,
> } container_filetype_t;
>
> +static ssize_t container_common_file_write(struct container *cont,
> +     struct cftype *cft,
> +     struct file *file,
> +     const char __user *userbuf,
> +     size_t nbytes, loff_t *unused_ppos)
> +{
> +    container_filetype_t type = cft->private;
> +    char *buffer;
> +    int retval = 0;
> +
> +    if (nbytes >= PATH_MAX)
> +        return -E2BIG;
> +
> +    /* +1 for nul-terminator */
> +    if ((buffer = kmalloc(nbytes + 1, GFP_KERNEL)) == 0)
> +        return -ENOMEM;
> +
> +    if (copy_from_user(buffer, userbuf, nbytes)) {
> +        retval = -EFAULT;
> +        goto out1;
> +    }
> +    buffer[nbytes] = 0; /* nul-terminate */
> +
> +    mutex_lock(&container_mutex);
> +
> +    if (container_is_removed(cont)) {
> +        retval = -ENODEV;
> +        goto out2;
> +    }

```

Can't we make this check prior to kmalloc() and copy\_from\_user()?

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> +int container_task_count(const struct container *cont) {
> +    int count = 0;
> +    struct task_struct *g, *p;
> +    struct container_subsys_state *css;
> +    int subsys_id;
> +    get_first_subsys(cont, &css, &subsys_id);
> +
> +    read_lock(&tasklist_lock);

```

Can be replaced with rcu\_read\_lock() and rcu\_read\_unlock()

```

> + do_each_thread(g, p) {
> +   if (task_subsys_state(p, subsys_id) == css)
> +     count++;
> + } while_each_thread(g, p);
> + read_unlock(&tasklist_lock);
> + return count;
> +}
> +
> +static int pid_array_load(pid_t *pidarray, int npids, struct container *cont)
> +{
> +  int n = 0;
> +  struct task_struct *g, *p;
> +  struct container_subsys_state *css;
> +  int subsys_id;
> +  get_first_subsys(cont, &css, &subsys_id);
> +  rCU_read_lock();
> +  read_lock(&tasklist_lock);

```

The read\_lock() and read\_unlock() are redundant

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> +
> + do_each_thread(g, p) {
> +   if (task_subsys_state(p, subsys_id) == css) {
> +     pidarray[n++] = pid_nr(task_pid(p));
> +     if (unlikely(n == npids))
> +       goto array_full;
> +   }
> + } while_each_thread(g, p);
> +
> +array_full:
> +  read_unlock(&tasklist_lock);
> +  rCU_read_unlock();
> +  return n;
> +}
> +
> [snip]

> +static int container_tasks_open(struct inode *unused, struct file *file)
> +{
> +  struct container *cont = __d_cont(file->f_dentry->d_parent);
> +  struct ctr_struct *ctr;
> +  pid_t *pidarray;
> +  int npids;
> +  char c;
> +
> +  if (!(file->f_mode & FMODE_READ))
> +    return 0;
> +

```

```

> + ctr = kmalloc(sizeof(*ctr), GFP_KERNEL);
> + if (!ctr)
> +   goto err0;
> +
> + /*
> + * If container gets more users after we read count, we won't have
> + * enough space - tough. This race is indistinguishable to the
> + * caller from the case that the additional container users didn't
> + * show up until sometime later on.
> + */
> + npids = container_task_count(cont);
> + pidarray = kmalloc(npids * sizeof(pid_t), GFP_KERNEL);
> + if (!pidarray)
> +   goto err1;
> +
> + npids = pid_array_load(pidarray, npids, cont);
> + sort(pidarray, npids, sizeof(pid_t), cmppid, NULL);
> +
> + /* Call pid_array_to_buf() twice, first just to get bufsz */
> + ctr->bufsz = pid_array_to_buf(&c, sizeof(c), pidarray, npids) + 1;
> + ctr->buf = kmalloc(ctr->bufsz, GFP_KERNEL);
> + if (!ctr->buf)
> +   goto err2;
> + ctr->bufsz = pid_array_to_buf(ctr->buf, ctr->bufsz, pidarray, npids);
> +
> + kfree(pidarray);
> + file->private_data = ctr;
> + return 0;
> +
> +err2:
> + kfree(pidarray);
> +err1:
> + kfree(ctr);
> +err0:
> + return -ENOMEM;
> +}
> +

```

Any chance we could get a per-container task list? It will help subsystem writers as well. Alternatively, subsystems could use the attach\_task() callback to track all tasks, but a per-container list will avoid duplication.

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Warm Regards,  
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