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Subject: Re: [patch 0/1] [RFC][net namespace] veth ioctl management  
Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Tue, 20 Feb 2007 09:24:39 GMT  
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Eric W. Biederman wrote:

> Daniel Lezcano <dlezcano@fr.ibm.com> writes:

>  
>> I will have look to \*your\* etun interface. But, PLEASE, look at the net  
>> namespace network patches (L2/L3) which were rfc'ed, posted several months ago.  
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> I have, and I have commented.  
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>> Unfortunately, you didn't say that when Andrey sent it this summer and when  
>> Dmitry ported it to the namespaces and when it was integrated to lxc patchset by  
>> Cedric and when I put the L3 namespace on top of it.  
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> Mostly it is six of one half a dozen of the other as far as the actual implementation  
> is concerned. The practical difference is etun is not tied in any way shape or  
> form to namespaces, whereas veth appears to be.  
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>> Eric, opensource is about collaboration.  
>  
> Yes. Exactly. That is why I am suggesting that we try to use something  
> simpler than ioctl.

Why, don't you send a patch with your etun driver on top of the network namespace patches ? So we will be able to try it ...

> The process is about collaborating to find the best technical solution  
> we can find in a timely manner.  
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> Currently the L2 stuff derived from OpenVZ appears to be completely  
> unmergable because of how the patchset is constructed.  
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> I am very frustrated that you are attacking me about not cooperating.  
> I have made comments (that were hopefully constructive) all along the  
> way. At some points in time I was busy so I could not look at things  
> in detail, but I have tried across the whole spectrum of the  
> namespaces effort. I finally sat down and wrote my own network  
> namespace implementation because some very important points were not  
> getting addressed

Which ones ?

Why did you directly code before discussing with us about these points ?

>and I had some novel ideas on how to solve some of  
> the problems. So I figured the contrast would be useful. The  
> containers list wasn't my primary audience of my RFC but I was

> surprised that I received no comments there.

Probably because you send directly a \*big\* patch touching a lot of file. Personnaly, I was quite surprise to discover you were working on your own network namespace while we were all working togheter to find a common solution L2/L3. This is an individualist behavior.

> Plus this is the biggest problem I see with the OpenVZ derived network  
> namespace effort is lack of cooperation with the people who matter.  
> The maintainers of the network stack. Sure people who are actually  
> going to use a network namespace have to agree that the code will  
> solve the problem in a usable way but if the maintainers of the  
> network stack don't like or can't be interested the code is never  
> going anywhere.

Sure.

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