Subject: Re: [PATCH 0/2] resource control file system - aka containers on top of nsproxy!

Posted by Sam Vilain on Thu, 08 Mar 2007 00:35:46 GMT

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## Paul Menage wrote:

- >> In the namespace world when we say container we mean roughly at the level
- >> of nsproxy and container\_group.

>>

> So you're saying that a task can only be in a single system-wide container.

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Nope, we didn't make the mistake of nailing down what a "container" was too far before it is implemented. We talked before about containers-within-containers because, inevitably if you provide a feature you'll end up having to deal with virtualising systems that in turn use that feature.

- > My patch provides multiple potentially-independent ways of dividing up
- > the tasks on the system if the "container" is the set of all
- > divisions that the process is in, what's an appropriate term for the
- > sub-units?

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namespace, since 2.4.x

- > That assumes the viewpoint that your terminology is "correct" and
- > other people's needs "fixing". :-)

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Absolutely. Please respect the semantics established so far; changing them adds nothing at the cost of much confusion.

- > But as I've said I'm not particularly wedded to the term "container"
- > if that really turned out to be what's blocking acceptance from people
- > like Andrew or Linus. Do you have a suggestion for a better name? To
- > me, "process container" seems like the ideal name, since it's an
- > abstraction that "contains" processes and associates them with some
- > (subsystem-provided) state.

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It's not even really the term, it's the semantics.

Sam.

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