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

Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Fri, 09 Mar 2007 22:09:35 GMT

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On 3/9/07, Srivatsa Vaddagiri <vatsa@in.ibm.com> wrote:

>  
> 1. What is the fundamental unit over which resource-management is  
> applied? Individual tasks or individual containers?  
>  
> /me thinks latter.

Yes

> In which case, it makes sense to stick  
> resource control information in the container somewhere.

Yes, that's what all my patches have been doing.

> 2. Regarding space savings, if 100 tasks are in a container (I dont know  
> what is a typical number) -and- lets say that all tasks are to share  
> the same resource allocation (which seems to be natural), then having  
> a 'struct container\_group \*' pointer in each task\_struct seems to be not  
> very efficient (simply because we dont need that task-level granularity of  
> managing resource allocation).

I think you should re-read my patches.

Previously, each task had N pointers, one for its container in each potential hierarchy. The container\_group concept means that each task has 1 pointer, to a set of container pointers (one per hierarchy) shared by all tasks that have exactly the same set of containers (in the various different hierarchies).

It doesn't give task-level granularity of resource management (unless you create a separate container for each task), it just gives a space saving.

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> 3. This next leads me to think that 'tasks' file in each directory doesnt make  
> sense for containers. In fact it can lend itself to error situations (by  
> administrator/script mistake) when some tasks of a container are in one  
> resource class while others are in a different class.  
>  
> Instead, from a containers pov, it may be usefull to write  
> a 'container id' (if such a thing exists) into the tasks file  
> which will move all the tasks of the container into  
> the new resource class. This is the same requirement we

> discussed long back of moving all threads of a process into new  
> resource class.

I think you need to give a more concrete example and use case of what you're trying to propose here. I don't really see what advantage you're getting.

Paul

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