Subject: Re: [PATCH 1/2] rcfs core patch Posted by Herbert Poetzl on Fri, 09 Mar 2007 13:29:22 GMT

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On Fri, Mar 09, 2007 at 12:07:27PM +0300, Kirill Korotaev wrote:

- >> nobody actually cares about a precise accounting and
- >> calculating shares or partitions of whatever resource.
- >> all that matters is that you have a way to prevent a
- >> potential hostile environment from sucking up all your
- >> resources (or even a single one) resulting in a DoS
- > This is not true. People care. Reasons:
- > resource planning
- > fairness
- > guarantees

let me make that a little more clear ...

nobody cares wether a shared memory page is accounted as full page or as fraction of a page (depending on the number of guests sharing it) as long as the accounted amount is substracted correctly when the page is disposed

so there _is_ a difference between _false_ accounting (which seems what you are referring to in the next paragraph) and imprecise, but consistant accounting (which is what I was talking about)

best, Herbert

- > What you talk is about security only. Not the above issues.
- > So good precision is required. If there is no precision at all,
- security sucks as well and can be exploited, e.g. for CPU
- > schedulers doing an accounting based on jiffies accounting in
- > scheduler tick() it is easy to build an application consuming
- > 90% of CPU, but ~0% from scheduler POV.
- > Kirill

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