
Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH 7/7] containers (V7): Container interface to nsproxy subsystem

Posted by [Srivatsa Vaddagiri](#) on Wed, 28 Mar 2007 14:55:34 GMT

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On Mon, Mar 26, 2007 at 04:57:55PM -0500, Serge E. Hallyn wrote:

> That is still not true, see kernel/utsname:copy_utsname().

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> Now you might have run a userspace testcase in a kernel with

> CONFIG_UTS_NS=n, which at the moment erroneously returns 0 rather than

> -EINVAL when you clone(CLONE_NEWUTS). But you didn't get a new uts

> namespace, you were just lied to :)

I think you are right here, in that CONFIG_UTS_NS was not turned on, although I was thinking it was on.

However as a result of this experiment, I found this anomaly:

- On a kernel with CONFIG_UTS_NS=n, a test which does clone(CLONE_NEWUTS) works fine. clone() succeeds and the child starts running with no error.
- On the same kernel, if ns container hierarchy is mounted, then the test fails. clone() returns failure and child is never created. As soon as the ns container hierarchy is unmounted, the test works again.

I would have expected a consistent behavior here, irrespective of whether ns hierarchy is mounted or not. Is this difference in behavior acceptable? Returning -EINVAL in copy_utsname() when CONFIG_UTS_NS=n, as you say above, would fix this anomaly.

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Regards,
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