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Subject: Re: [PATCH] saa7134-tvaudio: Convert to kthread API.

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Eric W. Biederman wrote:

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> It is my goal to replace all kernel code that handles signals  
> from user space, calls kernel\_thread or calls daemonize. All  
> of which the kthread\_api makes unnecessary. Handling signals  
> from user space is a maintenance problem because using a  
> kernel thread is an implementation detail and if user space  
> cares it does not allow us to change the implementation. Calling  
> daemonize is a problem because it has to undo a continually changing  
> set of state generated by user space, requiring the implementation  
> to change continually. kernel\_thread is a problem because it  
> returns a pid\_t value. Numeric pids are inherently racy and  
> in the presence of a pid namespace they are no longer global  
> making them useless for general use in the kernel.

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> So this patch renames the pid member of struct saa7134\_thread  
> started and changes its type from pid\_t to int. All it  
> has ever been used for is to detect if the kernel thread  
> is has been started so this works.

>

> allow\_signal(SIGTERM) and the calls to signal\_pending have  
> been removed they are needed for the driver to operation.

>

> The startup of tvaudio\_thread and tvaudio\_thread\_dep have  
> been modified to use kthread\_run instead of a combination  
> of kernel\_thread and daemonize.

>

> The result is code that is slightly simpler and more  
> maintainable.

Here's a refreshed attempt using kthread\_should\_stop().

Unfortunately, not tested bc we don't have the hardware.

cheers,

C.

From: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <[sukadev@us.ibm.com](mailto:sukadev@us.ibm.com)>

Replace kernel\_thread() with kthread\_run() since kernel\_thread()  
is deprecated in drivers/modules. Also remove signalling code  
as it is not needed in the driver.

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drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134-tvaudio.c | 45 ++++++-----  
drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134.h      |  4 --  
2 files changed, 24 insertions(+), 25 deletions(-)
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Index: 2.6.21-rc6-mm1/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134.h

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=====--- 2.6.21-rc6-mm1.orig/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134.h  
+++ 2.6.21-rc6-mm1/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134.h  
@@ -324,10 +324,8 @@ struct saa7134_pgtble {
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/* tvaudio thread status */  
struct saa7134_thread {  
- pid_t          pid;  
- struct completion    exit;  
+ struct task_struct *    task;  
  wait_queue_head_t      wq;  
- unsigned int         shutdown;  
  unsigned int         scan1;  
  unsigned int         scan2;  
  unsigned int         mode;
```

Index: 2.6.21-rc6-mm1/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134-tvaudio.c

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=====--- 2.6.21-rc6-mm1.orig/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134-tvaudio.c  
+++ 2.6.21-rc6-mm1/drivers/media/video/saa7134/saa7134-tvaudio.c  
@@ -27,6 +27,7 @@
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#include <linux/kernel.h>  
#include <linux/slab.h>  
#include <linux/delay.h>  
+#include <linux/kthread.h>  
#include <asm/div64.h>
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#include "saa7134-reg.h"  
@@ -344,16 +345,22 @@ static int tvaudio_sleep(struct saa7134_  
    DECLARE_WAITQUEUE(wait, current);
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    add_wait_queue(&dev->thread.wq, &wait);  
- if (dev->thread.scan1 == dev->thread.scan2 && !dev->thread.shutdown) {  
+  
+ set_current_state(TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE);  
+
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+ if (dev->thread.scan1 == dev->thread.scan2 && !kthread_should_stop()) {
    if (timeout < 0) {
-   set_current_state(TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE);
    schedule();
} else {
    schedule_timeout_interruptible
        (msecs_to_jiffies(timeout));
}
}
+
+ set_current_state(TASK_RUNNING);
+
remove_wait_queue(&dev->thread.wq, &wait);
+
return dev->thread.scan1 != dev->thread.scan2;
}

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@@ -505,11 +512,9 @@ static int tvaudio\_thread(void \*data)  
 unsigned int i, audio, nscan;  
 int max1,max2,carrier,rx,mode,lastmode,default\_carrier;

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- daemonize("%s", dev->name);
- allow_signal(SIGTERM);
for (;;) {
    tvaudio_sleep(dev,-1);
- if (dev->thread.shutdown || signal_pending(current))
+ if (kthread_should_stop())
    goto done;

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restart:

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@@ -618,7 +623,7 @@ static int tvaudio_thread(void *data)
for (;;) {
    if (tvaudio_sleep(dev,5000))
        goto restart;
- if (dev->thread.shutdown || signal_pending(current))
+ if (kthread_should_stop())
    break;
    if (UNSET == dev->thread.mode) {
        rx = tvaudio_getstereo(dev,&tvaudio[i]);
@@ -634,7 +639,6 @@ static int tvaudio_thread(void *data)
    }
}
```

done:

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- complete_and_exit(&dev->thread.exit, 0);
return 0;
}
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@@ -782,9 +786,6 @@ static int tvaudio\_thread\_ddep(void \*dat

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struct saa7134_dev *dev = data;
u32 value, norms, clock;

- daemonize("%s", dev->name);
- allow_signal(SIGTERM);
-
clock = saa7134_boards[dev->board].audio_clock;
if (UNSET != audio_clock_override)
    clock = audio_clock_override;
@@ -796,7 +797,7 @@ static int tvaudio_thread_ddep(void *dat

for (;;) {
    tvaudio_sleep(dev,-1);
- if (dev->thread.shutdown || signal_pending(current))
+ if (kthread_should_stop())
    goto done;

restart:
@@ -876,7 +877,6 @@ static int tvaudio_thread_ddep(void *dat
}

done:
- complete_and_exit(&dev->thread.exit, 0);
return 0;
}

@@ -986,15 +986,16 @@ int saa7134_tvaudio_init2(struct saa7134
    break;
}

- dev->thread.pid = -1;
+ dev->thread.task = NULL;
if (my_thread) {
/* start tvaudio thread */
init_waitqueue_head(&dev->thread.wq);
- init_completion(&dev->thread.exit);
- dev->thread.pid = kernel_thread(my_thread,dev,0);
- if (dev->thread.pid < 0)
-    printk(KERN_WARNING "%s: kernel_thread() failed\n",
+ dev->thread.task = kthread_run(my_thread, dev, dev->name);
+ if (IS_ERR(dev->thread.task)) {
+    printk(KERN_WARNING "%s: failed to create kthread\n",
           dev->name);
+    dev->thread.task = NULL;
+ }
    saa7134_tvaudio_do_scan(dev);
}

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@@ -1005,10 +1006,10 @@ int saa7134_tvaudio_init2(struct saa7134
int saa7134_tvaudio_fini(struct saa7134_dev *dev)
{
/* shutdown tvaudio thread */
- if (dev->thread.pid >= 0) {
- dev->thread.shutdown = 1;
- wake_up_interruptible(&dev->thread.wq);
- wait_for_completion(&dev->thread.exit);
+ if (dev->thread.task) {
+ /* kthread_stop() wakes up the thread */
+ kthread_stop(dev->thread.task);
+ dev->thread.task = NULL;
}
saa_andorb(SAA7134_ANALOG_IO_SELECT, 0x07, 0x00); /* LINE1 */
return 0;
@@ -1020,7 +1021,7 @@ int saa7134_tvaudio_do_scan(struct saa71
dprintk("sound IF not in use, skipping scan\n");
dev->automute = 0;
saa7134_tvaudio_setmute(dev);
- } else if (dev->thread.pid >= 0) {
+ } else if (dev->thread.task) {
dev->thread.mode = UNSET;
dev->thread.scan2++;
wake_up_interruptible(&dev->thread.wq);
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