
Subject: Re: [PATCH] mtd_blkdevs: Convert to use the kthread API
Posted by [David Woodhouse](#) on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 13:23:00 GMT
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On Sun, 2007-04-22 at 13:24 +0100, Christoph Hellwig wrote:
> This is the full conversion I sent to Dave in April 2006, but never
> got any feedback to:

Sorry about that; I need prodding sometimes. I'll provide some now...

Can you show me why the thread won't now miss a wakeup if it goes to sleep just as a new request is added to its queue?

Having already applied Eric's patch, this is the delta to yours...

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diff --git a/drivers/mtd/mtd_blkdevs.c b/drivers/mtd/mtd_blkdevs.c
index 1aa018a..d065dba 100644
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--- a/drivers/mtd/mtd_blkdevs.c
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+++ b/drivers/mtd/mtd_blkdevs.c
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```
@ @ -29,9 +29,7 @ @ extern struct mutex mtd_table_mutex;
extern struct mtd_info *mtd_table[];
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struct mtd_blkcore_priv {
- struct completion thread_dead;
- int exiting;
- wait_queue_head_t thread_wq;
+ struct task_struct *thread;
  struct request_queue *rq;
  spinlock_t queue_lock;
};
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@ @ -85,26 +83,18 @ @ static int mtd_blktrans_thread(void *arg)
current->flags |= PF_MEMALLOC | PF_NOFREEZE;
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spin_lock_irq(rq->queue_lock);
-
- while (!tr->blkcore_priv->exiting) {
+ while (!kthread_should_stop()) {
  struct request *req;
  struct mtd_blktrans_dev *dev;
  int res = 0;
- DECLARE_WAITQUEUE(wait, current);
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req = elv_next_request(rq);
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if (!req) {
- add_wait_queue(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_wq, &wait);
- set_current_state(TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE);
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    spin_unlock_irq(rq->queue_lock);
-
+ set_current_state(TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE);
  schedule();
- remove_wait_queue(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_wq, &wait);
-
  spin_lock_irq(rq->queue_lock);
-
  continue;
}

@@ -123,13 +113,13 @@ static int mtd_blktrans_thread(void *arg)
}
spin_unlock_irq(rq->queue_lock);

- complete_and_exit(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_dead, 0);
+ return 0;
}

static void mtd_blktrans_request(struct request_queue *rq)
{
  struct mtd_blktrans_ops *tr = rq->queuedata;
- wake_up(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_wq);
+ wake_up_process(tr->blkcore_priv->thread);
}

@@ -355,7 +345,6 @@ static struct mtd_notifier blktrans_notifier = {

int register_mtd_blktrans(struct mtd_blktrans_ops *tr)
{
- struct task_struct *task;
  int ret, i;

  /* Register the notifier if/when the first device type is
@@ -379,8 +368,6 @@ int register_mtd_blktrans(struct mtd_blktrans_ops *tr)
  return ret;
}
spin_lock_init(&tr->blkcore_priv->queue_lock);
- init_completion(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_dead);
- init_waitqueue_head(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_wq);

tr->blkcore_priv->rq = blk_init_queue(mtd_blktrans_request, &tr->blkcore_priv->queue_lock);
if (!tr->blkcore_priv->rq) {
@@ -394,13 +381,14 @@ int register_mtd_blktrans(struct mtd_blktrans_ops *tr)
  blk_queue_hardsect_size(tr->blkcore_priv->rq, tr->blksize);
  tr->blkshift = ffs(tr->blksize) - 1;

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- task = kthread_run(mtd_blktrans_thread, tr, "%sd", tr->name);
- if (IS_ERR(task)) {
+ tr->blkcore_priv->thread = kthread_run(mtd_blktrans_thread, tr,
+ "%sd", tr->name);
+ if (IS_ERR(tr->blkcore_priv->thread)) {
    blk_cleanup_queue(tr->blkcore_priv->rq);
    unregister_blkdev(tr->major, tr->name);
    kfree(tr->blkcore_priv);
    mutex_unlock(&mtd_table_mutex);
- return PTR_ERR(task);
+ return PTR_ERR(tr->blkcore_priv->thread);
}

INIT_LIST_HEAD(&tr->devs);
@@ -423,9 +411,7 @@ int deregister_mtd_blktrans(struct mtd_blktrans_ops *tr)
    mutex_lock(&mtd_table_mutex);

    /* Clean up the kernel thread */
- tr->blkcore_priv->exiting = 1;
- wake_up(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_wq);
- wait_for_completion(&tr->blkcore_priv->thread_dead);
+ kthread_stop(tr->blkcore_priv->thread);

    /* Remove it from the list of active majors */
    list_del(&tr->list);

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