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Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH 08/16] Define/use pid->upid\_list list.  
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Pavel Emelianov [xemul@sw.ru] wrote:

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| > +/*  
| > + * Return the pid_t by which the process @pid is known in the pid  
| > + * namespace @ns.  
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| > + * Return 0 if:  
| > + * - @pid is NULL (eg: procfs calls this for task_pgrp(init_task)  
| > + *   which is NULL).  
| > + *  
| > + * - process does not have pid_t in the namespace @ns (eg: parent  
| > + *   process of a child reaper does not exist in the child namespace.  
| > + *   A getppid() call by the child reaper results in 0).  
| > + */  
| > +pid_t pid_to_nr_in_ns(struct pid_namespace *ns, struct pid *pid)  
| > +{  
| > + int i;  
| > + struct upid *upid;  
| > +  
| > + if (!pid)  
| > + return 0;  
| > +  
| > + upid = &pid->upid_list[0];  
| > + for (i = 0; i < pid->num_upids; i++, upid++) {  
| > + if (upid->pid_ns == ns)  
| > + return upid->nr;  
| > + }  
|  
| This will make users of the kernel who do not need the  
| pid namespaces suffer from performance loss. Why not  
| introduce a CONFIG_PID_NS option?
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CONFIG\_PID\_NS is in the next patch which actually enables cloning pid namespace. But this code is common and we are trying to optimize.

Patch 16 makes this an inline function (plan to fold that diff into this if there are no concerns with adding to sched.h).

Also, when number of pid namespaces is 1, the 'upid\_list' is allocated adjacent to the 'struct pid' (pls see alloc\_struct\_pid() for the case num\_upids == 1)

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| > + return 0;
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| > +}
| > +EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(pid_to_nr_in_ns);
| > @@ -2182,6 +2185,8 @@ int proc_pid_readdir(struct file * filp,
| > struct task_struct *reaper = get_proc_task(filp->f_path.dentry->d_inode);
| > struct task_struct *task;
| > int tgid;
| > + /* TODO get pid_ns from proc mnt rather than current */
| > + struct pid_namespace *ns = task_active_pid_ns(current);
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| IMHO this is not a TODO, but MUSTDO.
| When you have one /proc mount accessed from different pid
| namespaces you may be in situation when one pidnr (like 123)
| represents different tasks in these namespaces and thus the
| inode staying behind the dentry with d_name "123" must
| reference two tasks. When we scale the model to N namespace
| inode must reference N tasks. But I don't see it in the
| patches...

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We allow remounting /proc in pid namespace (pls see patches 13 and 14) and expect that /proc will be remounted in the new ns.

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| >
| > if (!reaper)
| > goto out_no_task;

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