Subject: Re: [PATCH 06/14] sysfs: Rewrite sysfs_get_dentry Posted by Tejun Heo on Wed, 01 Aug 2007 10:02:05 GMT

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Hello, Eric.

Eric W. Biederman wrote:

- > I will look a little more and see. But right now it looks like the
- > real problem with locking is that we use sysfs mutex to lock the
- > sysfs dirent s children list.

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- > Instead it really looks like we should use i mutex from the appropriate
- > inode. Or is there a real performance problem with forcing the directory
- > inodes in core when we modify the directories?

I don't think there is any performance problem. Problems with using i_mutex were...

- * It was messy. I don't remember all the details now but IIRC symlink walk code was pretty complex.
- * And more importantly, inodes are reclaimable and might or might not be there.

-tejun

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