Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH] Make access to taks's nsproxy liter Posted by Pavel Emelianov on Thu, 09 Aug 2007 07:46:57 GMT

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Oleg Nesterov wrote:
> On 08/09, Pavel Emelyanov wrote:
>> Paul E. McKenney wrote:
>>> On Wed, Aug 08, 2007 at 08:41:07PM +0400, Oleg Nesterov wrote:
>>>> +void switch task namespaces(struct task struct *p, struct nsproxy *new)
>>>> +{
>>>> + struct nsproxy *ns;
>>>> +
>>>> + might_sleep();
>>>> +
>>>> + ns = p->nsproxy;
>>>> + if (ns == new)
>>>> + return:
>>>> +
>>>> + if (new)
>>>> + get_nsproxy(new);
>>>> + rcu_assign_pointer(p->nsproxy, new);
>>>> +
>>>> + if (ns && atomic_dec_and_test(&ns->count)) {
>>>> + /*
>>>> + * wait for others to get what they want from this
>>>> + * nsproxy. cannot release this nsproxy via the
>>>> + * call_rcu() since put_mnt_ns will want to sleep
>>>> + */
>>>> + synchronize rcu();
>>>> + free_nsproxy(ns);
>>>> + }
>>>> +}
>>>> (I may be wrong, Paul cc'ed)
>>>> This is correct with the current implementation of RCU, but strictly
>>>> speaking,
>>>> we can't use synchronize_rcu() here, because write_lock_irg() doesn't
>>>> imply
>>>> rcu_read_lock() in theory.
>>> Can you use synchronize_sched() instead? The synchronize_sched()
>> #define synchronize sched() synchronize rcu()
>> they are the same? what's the point?
> There are the same with the current implementation. RT kernel for example,
> has another, when preempt disable() doesn't imply rcu read lock().
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Ok, thanks.

>>> primitive will wait until all preempt/irq-disable code sequences complete. >>> Therefore, it would wait for all write_lock_irq() code sequences to >>> complete.
>> But we don't need this. Iff we get the nsproxy under rcu_read_lock() all >> we need is to wait for RCU sections to complete.
> Yes. But this patch complicates the code and slows down group_exit. We don't
Nope - it slows done the code only if the task exiting is the last one using the nsproxy. In other words - we slowdown the virtual server stop, not task exit. This is OK.
<pre>> access non-current ->nsproxy so often afaics, and task_lock is cheap.</pre>
<pre>> Note also that switch_task_namespaces() might_sleep(), but sys_unshare() > calls it under task_lock().</pre>
I've moved this lower :)
> Oleg.
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