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Subject: Re: [PATCH] task containersv11 add tasks file interface fix for cpusets

Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Sat, 06 Oct 2007 20:53:53 GMT

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On 10/6/07, Paul Jackson <pj@sgi.com> wrote:

>  
> This isn't working for me.  
>  
> The key kernel routine for updating a tasks cpus\_allowed  
> cannot be called while holding a spinlock.  
>  
> But the above loop holds a spinlock, css\_set\_lock, between  
> the cgroup\_iter\_start and the cgroup\_iter\_end.  
>  
> I end up generating complaints of:  
>     BUG: scheduling while atomic  
> when I invoke the set\_cpus\_allowed() above.  
>  
> Should css\_set\_lock be a mutex? Locking changes like that  
> can be risky.

css\_set\_lock is an rwlock currently; I'd rather not turn it into an rw  
mutex since there are places that it gets taken where we can't afford  
to sleep.

>  
> Or perhaps there should be another callback, called only by  
> attach() requests back to the same group. Likely cpusets would  
> be the only subsystem interested in plugging that callback.  
>  
> That, or my original patch, which calls the attach routine  
> even if re-attaching to the current cgroup ...

I'd prefer David's solution of grabbing references to tasks during the  
iteration and then doing set\_cpus\_allowed outside the tasklist\_lock.

Paul

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