Subject: Re: [BUG]: Crash with CONFIG_FAIR_CGROUP_SCHED=y Posted by serue on Fri, 09 Nov 2007 16:05:41 GMT

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Quoting Srivatsa Vaddagiri (vatsa@linux.vnet.ibm.com):

- > On Fri, Nov 09, 2007 at 09:45:21AM +0100, Dmitry Adamushko wrote:
- > > Humm... the 'current' is not kept within the tree but
- >> current->se.on_rq is supposed to be '1',
- > > so the old code looks ok to me (at least for the 'leaf' elements).
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- > You are damned right! Sorry my mistake with the previous analysis and
- > (as I now find out) testing :(
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- > There are couple of problems discovered by Suka's test:
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- > The test requires the cgroup filesystem to be mounted with
- > atleast the cpu and ns options (i.e both namespace and cpu
- > controllers are active in the same hierarchy).
- >
- > # mkdir /dev/cpuctl
- > # mount -t cgroup -ocpu,ns none cpuctl
- > (or simply)
- > # mount -t cgroup none cpuctl -> Will activate all controllers
- > in same hierarchy.
- >
- > The test invokes clone() with CLONE_NEWNS set. This causes a a new child
- > to be created, also a new group (do_fork->copy_namespaces->ns_cgroup_clone->
- > cgroup_clone) and the child is attached to the new group (cgroup_clone->
- > attach_task->sched_move_task). At this point in time, the child's scheduler
- > related fields are uninitialized (including its on_rq field, which it has
- > inherited from parent). As a result sched_move_task thinks its on
- > runqueue, when it isn't.
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- > As a solution to this problem, I moved sched_fork() call, which
- > initializes scheduler related fields on a new task, before
- > copy_namespaces(). I am not sure though whether moving up will
- > cause other side-effects. Do you see any issue?
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- > The second problem exposed by this test is that task_new_fair()
- > assumes that parent and child will be part of the same group (which
- > needn't be as this test shows). As a result, cfs_rq->curr can be NULL
- > for the child.
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- > The solution is to test for curr pointer being NULL in
- > task_new_fair().
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- > With the patch below, I could run ns_exec() fine w/o a crash.

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> Suka, can you verify whether this patch fixes your problem?

Works on my machine. Thanks!

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> Fix copy_namespace() <-> sched_fork() dependency in do_fork, by moving
> up sched_fork().
>
> Also introduce a NULL pointer check for 'curr' in task_new_fair().
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> kernel/fork.c
                 | 6+++---
> kernel/sched fair.c | 2 +-
> 2 files changed, 4 insertions(+), 4 deletions(-)
>
> Index: current/kernel/fork.c
> --- current.orig/kernel/fork.c
> +++ current/kernel/fork.c
> @ @ -1121,6 +1121,9 @ @ static struct task_struct *copy_process(
> p->blocked_on = NULL; /* not blocked yet */
> #endif
>
> + /* Perform scheduler related setup. Assign this task to a CPU. */
> + sched_fork(p, clone_flags);
> +
  if ((retval = security_task_alloc(p)))
>
  goto bad_fork_cleanup_policy;
>
> if ((retval = audit alloc(p)))
> @ @ -1210,9 +1213,6 @ @ static struct task_struct *copy_process(
> INIT LIST HEAD(&p->ptrace children);
> INIT LIST HEAD(&p->ptrace list);
>
> - /* Perform scheduler related setup. Assign this task to a CPU. */
> - sched_fork(p, clone_flags);
>
> /* Now that the task is set up, run cgroup callbacks if
   * necessary. We need to run them before the task is visible
>
  * on the tasklist. */
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> Index: current/kernel/sched fair.c
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- > --- current.orig/kernel/sched_fair.c
- > +++ current/kernel/sched_fair.c
- > @ @ -1023,7 +1023,7 @ @ static void task_new_fair(struct rq *rq,
- > place_entity(cfs_rq, se, 1);
- >
- > if (sysctl_sched_child_runs_first && this_cpu == task_cpu(p) &&
- > curr->vruntime < se->vruntime) {
- > + curr && curr->vruntime < se->vruntime) {

> /*

- > * Upon rescheduling, sched_class::put_prev_task() will place
- > * 'current' within the tree based on its new key value.
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