
Subject: Re: [patch 2/2][NETNS][RFD] use dst_entries to retrieve the network namespace pointer

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"Denis V. Lunev" <den@sw.ru> writes:

> Daniel Lezcano wrote:

>> The objective we have is to remove the fl_net field from the struct flowi.

>>

>> In the previous patch, we make the network namespace to go up to the

> dst_entry.

>> This patch makes an example in how we can use the dst_entry/rtable combined

> with

>> a container_of to retrieve the network namespace when we have the flowi

> parameter.

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>> One restriction is we should pass always a flowi parameter coming from a

> struct

>> dst_entry.

> this is an obfuscation IMHO. You use rtable instead of flowi, so

> - rtable obtain flowi meaning and keeps original meaning

> - stack usage is increased

>

> So, for the case, I think it is better to have an additional parameter

> on IP route output path. (There is a device on the input one).

Sounds right, and for shared code as well.

The only reason I used flowi in my proof of concept implementation is that it seemed to be a prebuilt structure for passing that kind of thing so I could save a bit of pain by extending what already existed.

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