Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH] Pid namespaces vs locks interaction Posted by gblond on Wed, 12 Dec 2007 16:07:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hello

On 6 December 2007 18:51:30 Serge E. Hallyn wrote: > > fl_pid is used by nfs, fuse and gfs2. For instance nfs keeps in fl_pid > > some unique id to identify locking process between hosts - it is not a > > process pid. >	
 Ok, but so the struct user_flock->fl_pid is being set to the task's virtual pid, while the struct kernel_flock->fl_pid is being set to task->tgid for nfsd use. 	
> Why can't nfs just generate a uniqueid from the struct pid when it > needs it?	
I think it is hard. lockd uses struct nlm_host to get process unique id (seenlm_alloc_pid() function).	
Fuse just seems to copy the pid to report it to userspace, so it wouldjust copy pid_vnr(kernel_flock->pid) into user_flock->fl_pid.	
 Anyway I haven't looked at all the uses of struct fl_pid, but you can always get the pidnr back from the struct pid if needed so there should be no problem. 	
> The split definately seems worthwhile to me, so that > user_flock->fl_pidnr can always be said to be the pid in the acting > process' namespace, and flock->fl_pid can always be a struct pid, > rather than having fl_pid sometimes be current->tgid, or sometimes > pid_vnr(flock->fl_nspid) >	
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 Thank, Vitaliy Gusev	

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