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Subject: Re: OLS paper topics  
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Serge E. Hallyn wrote:

> Quoting Balbir Singh (balbir@linux.vnet.ibm.com):

>> Cedric Le Goater wrote:

>>>>> == Topic ==

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>>>>> Namespaces, containers, cgroups, and container checkpoint/restart.

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>>>>> == Description ==

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>>>>> Development for namespaces and cgroups is well underway in the

>>>>> mainline kernel. To keep momentum going and keep the loosely

>>>>> knit teams of developers well-coordinated, a physical meeting in

>>>>> which to discuss future development plans is needed.

>>>>> Additionally, we are at a point where crucial decisions about

>>>>> the nature of a "container object" and about the checkpoint/restart

>>>>> design need to be made.

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>>>>> A final set of topics will be decided upon through mailing lists

>>>>> ahead of time, but potential topics include:

>>>>> \* Handling filesystem/namespaces synchronization

>>>>> \* Handling of /proc and /sysfs within containers

>>>>> \* Additional needed namespaces (i.e. device namespace)

>>>>> \* Nature of a 'container' ??? kernel object or userspace fiction

>>>>> \* Additional cgroups and their design

>>>>> \* How to initiate and synchronize checkpoint/restart

>>>>> \* How to enter a 'container' ?

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>>>> Resource Management for containers?

>>> Yes we need that. There are a few possible conflicts in requirements

>>> that need to be discussed. For example, a resource management req

>>> would be to be able to move a process from one group to another and C/R

>>> wouldn't.

>> Cedric,

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>> Why is that a conflict w.r.t resource management, isn't that more of a cgroup

>> feature - task migration.

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> Oh, no - I think Cedric was saying that tasks need to be moved from

> container2 to container3 on the system for resourcemgmt - that is,

> reclassified, not migrated.

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OK, so the concern is with automatic reclassification

> But for task migration we have resources tied to containers and  
> processes are using those resources, so we can't migrate those tasks to  
> another container in that case.  
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> That's probably solved at the cgroup->container bindings, no? i.e.  
> ns\_cgroup 2854 is my container and it's in a cpuset\_cgroup tied to cpus  
> 2 and 3, now i want to open it up to cpus 1-4, so i leave the tasks in  
> ns\_cgroup 2854 but move it to another cpuset...  
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Yes, I agree

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