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Subject: [PATCH 4/4] The control group itself  
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Each new group will have its own maps for char and block layers. The devices access list is tuned via the devices.permissions file. One may read from the file to get the configured state.

The top container isn't initialized, so that the char and block layers will use the global maps to lookup their devices. I did that not to export the static maps to the outer world.

Good news is that this patch now contains more comments and Documentation file :)

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diff --git a/Documentation/controllers/devices.txt b/Documentation/controllers/devices.txt
new file mode 100644
index 000000..dbd0c7a
--- /dev/null
+++ b/Documentation/controllers/devices.txt
@@ -0,0 +1,61 @@
+
+ Devices visibility controller
+
+This controller allows to tune the devices accessibility by tasks,
+i.e. grant full access for /dev/null, /dev/zero etc, grant read-only
+access to IDE devices and completely hide SCSI disks.
+
+Tasks still can call mknod to create device files, regardless of
+whether the particular device is visible or accessible, but they
+may not be able to open it later.
+
+This one hides under CONFIG_CGROUP_DEVS option.
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+
+Configuring
+
+The controller provides a single file to configure itself -- the
+devices.permissions one. To change the accessibility level for some
+device write the following string into it:
+
+[cb] <major>:(<minor>|*) [r-][w-]
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+ ^      ^      ^
+ |      |      |
+ |      |      +--- access rights (1)
+ |      |
+ |      +-- device major and minor numbers (2)
+ |
+ +- device type (character / block)
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+1) The access rights set to '--' remove the device from the group's  
+access list, so that it will not even be shown in this file later.

+  
+2) Setting the minor to '\*' grants access to all the minors for  
+particular major.

+  
+When reading from it, one may see something like

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+  
+ c 1:5 rw  
+ b 8:* r-  
+  
+Security issues, concerning who may grant access to what are governed  
+at the cgroup infrastructure level.
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+Examples:

+  
+1. Grand full access to /dev/null  
+ # echo c 1:3 rw > /cgroups/<id>/devices.permissions

+  
+2. Grant the read-only access to /dev/sda and partitions  
+ # echo b 8:\* r- > ...

+  
+3. Change the /dev/null access to write-only  
+ # echo c 1:3 -w > ...

+  
+4. Revoke access to /dev/sda  
+ # echo b 8:\* -- > ...

+  
+  
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+  
diff --git a/fs/Makefile b/fs/Makefile  
index 7996220..5ad03be 100644

--- a/fs/Makefile  
+++ b/fs/Makefile  
@@ -64,6 +64,8 @@ obj-y += devpts/

obj-\$(CONFIG\_PROFILING) += dcookies.o  
obj-\$(CONFIG\_DLM) += dlm/

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+
+obj-$(CONFIG_CGROUP_DEVS) += devscontrol.o

# Do not add any filesystems before this line
obj-$(CONFIG_REISERFS_FS) += reiserfs/
diff --git a/fs/devscontrol.c b/fs/devscontrol.c
new file mode 100644
index 0000000..48c5f69
--- /dev/null
+++ b/fs/devscontrol.c
@@ -0,0 +1,314 @@
+/*
+ * devscontrol.c - Device Controller
+ *
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+ * Author: Pavel Emelyanov <xemul at openvz dot org>
+ *
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+ */
+
+#include <linux/cgroup.h>
+#include <linux/cdev.h>
+#include <linux/err.h>
+#include <linux/devscontrol.h>
+#include <linux/uaccess.h>
+#include <linux/fs.h>
+#include <linux/genhd.h>
+
+struct devs_cgroup {
+ /*
+ * The subsys state to build into cgroups infrastructure
+ */
+ struct cgroup_subsys_state css;
+
+ /*
+ * The maps of character and block devices. They provide a
+ * map from dev_t-s to struct cdev/gendisk. See fs/char_dev.c
+ * and block/genhd.c to find out how the ->open() callbacks
+ * work when opening a device.
+ */

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+ * Each group will have its own maps, and at the open()
+ * time code will lookup in this map to get the device
+ * and permissions by its dev_t.
+ */
+ struct kobj_map *cdev_map;
+ struct kobj_map *bdev_map;
+};
+
+static inline
+struct devs_cgroup *css_to_devs(struct cgroup_subsys_state *css)
+{
+ return container_of(css, struct devs_cgroup, css);
+}
+
+static inline
+struct devs_cgroup *cgroup_to_devs(struct cgroup *cont)
+{
+ return css_to_devs(cgroup_subsys_state(cont, devs_subsys_id));
+}
+
+struct kobj_map *task_cdev_map(struct task_struct *tsk)
+{
+ struct cgroup_subsys_state *css;
+
+ css = task_subsys_state(tsk, devs_subsys_id);
+ if (css->cgroup->parent == NULL)
+ return NULL;
+ else
+ return css_to_devs(css)->cdev_map;
+}
+
+struct kobj_map *task_bdev_map(struct task_struct *tsk)
+{
+ struct cgroup_subsys_state *css;
+
+ css = task_subsys_state(tsk, devs_subsys_id);
+ if (css->cgroup->parent == NULL)
+ return NULL;
+ else
+ return css_to_devs(css)->bdev_map;
+}
+
+static struct cgroup_subsys_state *
+devs_create(struct cgroup_subsys *ss, struct cgroup *cont)
+{
+ struct devs_cgroup *devs;
+
+ devs = kzalloc(sizeof(struct devs_cgroup), GFP_KERNEL);

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+ if (devs == NULL)
+ goto out;
+
+ devs->cdev_map = cdev_map_init();
+ if (devs->cdev_map == NULL)
+ goto out_free;
+
+ devs->bdev_map = bdev_map_init();
+ if (devs->bdev_map == NULL)
+ goto out_free_cdev;
+
+ return &devs->css;
+
+out_free_cdev:
+ cdev_map_fini(devs->cdev_map);
+out_free:
+ kfree(devs);
+out:
+ return ERR_PTR(-ENOMEM);
+}
+
+static void devs_destroy(struct cgroup_subsys *ss, struct cgroup *cont)
+{
+ struct devs_cgroup *devs;
+
+ devs = cgroup_to_devs(cont);
+ bdev_map_fini(devs->bdev_map);
+ cdev_map_fini(devs->cdev_map);
+ kfree(devs);
+}
+
+/*
+ * The devices.permissions file read/write functionality
+ *
+ * The following two routines parse and print the strings like
+ * [cb] <major>:<minor>[*] [r-][w-]
+ */
+
+static int decode_perms_str(char *buf, int *chrdev, dev_t *dev,
+ int *all, mode_t *mode)
+{
+ unsigned int major, minor;
+ char *end;
+ mode_t tmp;
+
+ if (buf[0] == 'c')
+ *chrdev = 1;
+ else if (buf[0] == 'b')

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+ *chrdev = 0;
+ else
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ if (buf[1] != ' ')
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ major = simple_strtoul(buf + 2, &end, 10);
+ if (*end != ':')
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ if (end[1] == '*') {
+ if (end[2] != ' ')
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ *all = 1;
+ minor = 0;
+ end += 2;
+ } else {
+ minor = simple_strtoul(end + 1, &end, 10);
+ if (*end != ' ')
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ *all = 0;
+ }
+
+ tmp = 0;
+
+ if (end[1] == 'r')
+ tmp |= FMODE_READ;
+ else if (end[1] != '-')
+ return -EINVAL;
+ if (end[2] == 'w')
+ tmp |= FMODE_WRITE;
+ else if (end[2] != '-')
+ return -EINVAL;
+
+ *dev = MKDEV(major, minor);
+ *mode = tmp;
+ return 0;
+}
+
+static int encode_perms_str(char *buf, int len, int chrdev, dev_t dev,
+ int all, mode_t mode)
+{
+ int ret;
+
+ ret = snprintf(buf, len, "%c %d:", chrdev ? 'c' : 'b', MAJOR(dev));

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+ if (all)
+ ret += snprintf(buf + ret, len - ret, "*");
+ else
+ ret += snprintf(buf + ret, len - ret, "%d", MINOR(dev));
+
+ ret += snprintf(buf + ret, len - ret, " %c%c\n",
+ (mode & FMODE_READ) ? 'r' : '-',
+ (mode & FMODE_WRITE) ? 'w' : '-');
+
+ return ret + 1;
+}
+
+static ssize_t devs_write(struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
+ struct file *f, const char __user *ubuf,
+ size_t nbytes, loff_t *pos)
+{
+ int err, all, chrdev;
+ dev_t dev;
+ char buf[64];
+ struct devs_cgroup *devs;
+ mode_t mode;
+
+ if (copy_from_user(buf, ubuf, sizeof(buf)))
+ return -EFAULT;
+
+ buf[sizeof(buf) - 1] = 0;
+ err = decode_perms_str(buf, &chrdev, &dev, &all, &mode);
+ if (err < 0)
+ return err;
+
+ devs = cgroup_to_devs(cont);
+
+ /*
+ * No locking here is required - all that we need
+ * is provided inside the kobject mapping code
+ */
+
+ if (mode == 0) {
+ if (chrdev)
+ err = cdev_del_from_map(devs->cdev_map, dev, all);
+ else
+ err = bdev_del_from_map(devs->bdev_map, dev, all);
+
+ if (err < 0)
+ return err;
+
+ css_put(&devs->css);
+ } else {

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+ if (chrdev)
+ err = cdev_add_to_map(devs->cdev_map, dev, all, mode);
+ else
+ err = bdev_add_to_map(devs->bdev_map, dev, all, mode);
+
+ if (err < 0)
+ return err;
+
+ css_get(&devs->css);
+
+
+ return nbytes;
+}
+
+
+struct devs_dump_arg {
+ char *buf;
+ int pos;
+ int chrdev;
+};
+
+
+static int devs_dump_one(dev_t dev, int range, mode_t mode, void *x)
+{
+ struct devs_dump_arg *arg = x;
+ char tmp[64];
+ int len;
+
+ len = encode_perms_str(tmp, sizeof(tmp), arg->chrdev, dev,
+ range != 1, mode);
+
+ if (arg->pos >= PAGE_SIZE - len)
+ return 1;
+
+ memcpy(arg->buf + arg->pos, tmp, len);
+ arg->pos += len;
+ return 0;
+}
+
+
+static ssize_t devs_read(struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
+ struct file *f, char __user *ubuf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *pos)
+{
+ struct devs_dump_arg arg;
+ struct devs_cgroup *devs;
+ ssize_t ret;
+
+ arg.buf = (char *)__get_free_page(GFP_KERNEL);
+ if (arg.buf == NULL)
+ return -ENOMEM;
+

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+ devs = cgroup_to_devs(cont);
+ arg.pos = 0;
+
+ arg.chrdev = 1;
+ cdev_iterate_map(devs->cdev_map, devs_dump_one, &arg);
+
+ arg.chrdev = 0;
+ bdev_iterate_map(devs->bdev_map, devs_dump_one, &arg);
+
+ ret = simple_read_from_buffer(ubuf, nbytes, pos,
+   arg.buf, arg.pos);
+
+ free_page((unsigned long)arg.buf);
+ return ret;
+}
+
+static struct cftype devs_files[] = {
+ {
+ .name = "permissions",
+ .write = devs_write,
+ .read = devs_read,
+ },
+};
+
+static int devs_populate(struct cgroup_subsys *ss, struct cgroup *cont)
+{
+ return cgroup_add_files(cont, ss,
+   devs_files, ARRAY_SIZE(devs_files));
+}
+
+struct cgroup_subsys devs_subsys = {
+ .name = "devices",
+ .subsys_id = devs_subsys_id,
+ .create = devs_create,
+ .destroy = devs_destroy,
+ .populate = devs_populate,
+};
diff --git a/include/linux/cgroup_subsys.h b/include/linux/cgroup_subsys.h
index 228235c..9c0cd2c 100644
--- a/include/linux/cgroup_subsys.h
+++ b/include/linux/cgroup_subsys.h
@@ -42,3 +42,9 @@ SUBSYS(mem_cgroup)
#endif

/*
+
+#ifdef CONFIG_CGROUP_DEVS
+SUBSYS(devs)

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+#endif
+
+/* */
diff --git a/include/linux/devscontrol.h b/include/linux/devscontrol.h
new file mode 100644
index 0000000..38057b9
--- /dev/null
+++ b/include/linux/devscontrol.h
@@ -0,0 +1,26 @@
+ifndef __DEVS_CONTROL_H__
+define __DEVS_CONTROL_H__
+struct kobj_map;
+struct task_struct;
+
+/*
+ * task_[cb]dev_map - get a map from task. Both calls may return
+ * NULL, to indicate, that task doesn't belong to any group and
+ * that the global map is to be used.
+ */
+
+ifdef CONFIG_CGROUP_DEVS
+struct kobj_map *task_cdev_map(struct task_struct *);
+struct kobj_map *task_bdev_map(struct task_struct *);
+else
+static inline kobj_map *task_cdev_map(struct task_struct *tsk)
+{
+    return NULL;
+}
+
+static inline kobj_map *task_bdev_map(struct task_struct *tsk)
+{
+    return NULL;
+}
#endif
#endif
diff --git a/init/Kconfig b/init/Kconfig
index 732a1c2..f9a1b4f 100644
--- a/init/Kconfig
+++ b/init/Kconfig
@@ -283,6 +283,19 @@ config CGROUP_DEBUG

```

Say N if unsure

```

+config CGROUP_DEVS
+ bool "Devices cgroup subsystem"
+ depends on CGROUPS
+ help
+   Controls the access rights to devices, i.e. you may hide

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- + some of them from tasks, so that they will not be able
- + to open them, or you may grant a read-only access to some
- + of them.
- +
  - + See Documentation/controllers/devices.txt for details.
  - +
    - + This is harmless to say N here, so do it if unsure.
- +
  - + config CGROUP\_NS

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    bool "Namespace cgroup subsystem"  
    depends on CGROUPS
```

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