
Subject: Re: [PATCH RFC] cgroup_clone: use pid of newly created task for new cgroup

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Quoting Paul Menage (menage@google.com):

> On Tue, Jun 10, 2008 at 2:23 PM, Serge E. Hallyn <serue@us.ibm.com> wrote:

> > From faa707a44b971f5f3bf24e6a0c760ccb4ad278e6 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001

> > From: Serge Hallyn <serge@us.ibm.com>

> > Date: Tue, 10 Jun 2008 15:57:32 -0500

> > Subject: [PATCH 1/1] cgroup_clone: use pid of newly created task for new cgroup

> >

> > cgroup_clone creates a new cgroup with the pid of the task. This works

> > correctly for unshare, but for clone cgroup_clone is called from

> > copy_namespaces inside copy_process, which happens before the new pid

> > is created. As a result, the new cgroup was created with current's pid.

> > This patch:

> >

> > 1. Moves the call inside copy_process to after the new pid
> > is created

> > 2. Passes the struct pid into ns_cgroup_clone (as it is not
> > yet attached to the task)

> > 3. Passes a name from ns_cgroup_clone() into cgroup_clone()
> > so as to keep cgroup_clone() itself simpler

> > 4. Uses pid_vnr() to get the process id value, so that the
> > pid used to name the new cgroup is always the pid as it

> > would be known to the task which did the cloning or

> > unsharing. I think that is the most intuitive thing to

> > do. This way, task t1 does clone(CLONE_NEWPID) to get

> > t2, which does clone(CLONE_NEWPID) to get t3, then the

> > cgroup for t3 will be named for the pid by which t2 knows

> > t3.

> >

> > This hasn't been tested enough to request inclusion, but I'd like to

> > get feedback especially from Paul Menage on whether the semantics

> > make sense.

>

> Seems like a reasonable idea. It represents yet another change to the

> userspace API following the 2.6.25.x one, but I guess that again it's

> not one that anyone is seriously relying on yet (in particular since

> it's not usable more than once from the same parent currently).

>

> > -int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *subsys)

> > +int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *subsys,

> > + char *name)

>

> You could reduce the patch churn by naming this parameter nodename.

> > - return cgroup_clone(task, &ns_subsys);

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>>+ struct pid *pid = (inpid ? inpid : task_pid(task));
>>+ char name[MAX_CGROUP_TYPE_NAMELEN];
>
> We should probably stop using MAX_CGROUP_TYPE_NAMELEN for this buffer
> length and use something that explicitly sized to fit a pid_t.
>
>
>>+
>>+ snprintf(name, MAX_CGROUP_TYPE_NAMELEN, "%d", pid_vnr(pid));
>>+ return cgroup_clone(task, &ns_subsys, name);
>> }
>>
>> /*
>> diff --git a/kernel/nsproxy.c b/kernel/nsproxy.c
>> index adc7851..5ca106d 100644
>> --- a/kernel/nsproxy.c
>> +++ b/kernel/nsproxy.c
>> @@ -157,12 +157,6 @@ int copy_namespaces(unsigned long flags, struct task_struct *tsk)
>>     goto out;
>> }
>>
>> - err = ns_cgroup_clone(tsk);
>> - if (err) {
>> -     put_nsproxy(new_ns);
>> -     goto out;
>> - }
>> -
>>     tsk->nsproxy = new_ns;
>>
>> out:
>> @@ -209,7 +203,7 @@ int unshare_nsproxy_namespaces(unsigned long unshare_flags,
>>     goto out;
>> }
>>
>> - err = ns_cgroup_clone(current);
>> + err = ns_cgroup_clone(current, NULL);
>
> Maybe pass task_pid(current) here rather than doing the ?: in
> ns_cgroup_clone() ?
>
> Paul

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Thanks, Paul. Good ideas. Here is a patch addressing the comments.

-serge

>From f0635c20e9e9643fa9a90dd7e29b7855ff32ad40 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001
From: Serge Hallyn <serge@us.ibm.com>

Date: Wed, 11 Jun 2008 10:41:37 -0500

Subject: [PATCH 1/1] cgroup_clone: use pid of newly created task for new cgroup

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(Thanks to Dan Smith for finding the main bug)

Changelog:

June 11: Incorporate Paul Menage's feedback: don't pass NULL to ns_cgroup_clone from unshare, and reduce patch size by using 'nodename' in cgroup_clone.

June 10: Original version

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include/linux/cgroup.h | 3 +-
include/linux/nsproxy.h | 7 ++++++
kernel/cgroup.c        | 7 +++++-
kernel/fork.c          | 4 +++++
kernel/ns_cgroup.c     | 7 ++++++
kernel/nsproxy.c       | 8 +-----
6 files changed, 20 insertions(+), 16 deletions(-)
```

diff --git a/include/linux/cgroup.h b/include/linux/cgroup.h

index 3690c3b..72cb6ca 100644

--- a/include/linux/cgroup.h

+++ b/include/linux/cgroup.h

```
@@ -349,7 +349,8 @@ static inline struct cgroup* task_cgroup(struct task_struct *task,
    return task_subsys_state(task, subsys_id)->cgroup;
```

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}

-int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *ss);
+int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *ss,
+ char *nodename);

/* A cgroup_iter should be treated as an opaque object */
struct cgroup_iter {
diff --git a/include/linux/nsproxy.h b/include/linux/nsproxy.h
index 0e66b57..c8a768e 100644
--- a/include/linux/nsproxy.h
+++ b/include/linux/nsproxy.h
@@ -82,9 +82,12 @@ static inline void get_nsproxy(struct nsproxy *ns)
}

#ifdef CONFIG_CGROUP_NS
-int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk);
+int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct pid *pid);
#else
-static inline int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk) { return 0; }
+static inline int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct pid *pid)
+{
+ return 0;
+}
#endif

#endif
diff --git a/kernel/cgroup.c b/kernel/cgroup.c
index 79fa060..b4c4b75 100644
--- a/kernel/cgroup.c
+++ b/kernel/cgroup.c
@@ -2869,16 +2869,17 @@ void cgroup_exit(struct task_struct *tsk, int run_callbacks)
 * cgroup_clone - clone the cgroup the given subsystem is attached to
 * @tsk: the task to be moved
 * @subsys: the given subsystem
+ * @nodename: the name for the new cgroup
 *
 * Duplicate the current cgroup in the hierarchy that the given
 * subsystem is attached to, and move this task into the new
 * child.
 */
-int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *subsys)
+int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys *subsys,
+ char *nodename)
{
struct dentry *dentry;
int ret = 0;
- char nodename[MAX_CGROUP_TYPE_NAMELEN];

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struct cgroup *parent, *child;
struct inode *inode;
struct css_set *cg;
@@ -2903,8 +2904,6 @@ int cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *tsk, struct cgroup_subsys
*subsys)
cg = tsk->cgroups;
parent = task_cgroup(tsk, subsys->subsys_id);

```

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- snprintf(nodename, MAX_CGROUP_TYPE_NAMELEN, "%d", tsk->pid);
-

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/* Pin the hierarchy */
atomic_inc(&parent->root->sb->s_active);

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diff --git a/kernel/fork.c b/kernel/fork.c

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index f0e7767..47c0a97 100644

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--- a/kernel/fork.c

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+++ b/kernel/fork.c

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@@ -1125,6 +1125,10 @@ static struct task_struct *copy_process(unsigned long clone_flags,
if (clone_flags & CLONE_THREAD)
p->tgid = current->tgid;

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+ if (current->nsproxy != p->nsproxy)
+ if ((retval = ns_cgroup_clone(p, pid)))
+ goto bad_fork_free_pid;
+

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p->set_child_tid = (clone_flags & CLONE_CHILD_SETTID) ? child_tidptr : NULL;
/*
* Clear TID on mm_release()?

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diff --git a/kernel/ns_cgroup.c b/kernel/ns_cgroup.c

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```

index 48d7ed6..6431fb7 100644

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```

--- a/kernel/ns_cgroup.c

```

```

+++ b/kernel/ns_cgroup.c

```

```

@@ -24,9 +24,12 @@ static inline struct ns_cgroup *cgroup_to_ns(
struct ns_cgroup, css);
}

```

```

-int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *task)
+int ns_cgroup_clone(struct task_struct *task, struct pid *pid)
{
- return cgroup_clone(task, &ns_subsys);
+ char name[PROC_NUMBUF];
+
+ snprintf(name, PROC_NUMBUF, "%d", pid_vnr(pid));
+ return cgroup_clone(task, &ns_subsys, name);
}

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/*
diff --git a/kernel/nsproxy.c b/kernel/nsproxy.c

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index adc7851..21575fc 100644

--- a/kernel/nsproxy.c

+++ b/kernel/nsproxy.c

@@ -157,12 +157,6 @@ int copy_namespaces(unsigned long flags, struct task_struct *tsk)

goto out;

}

- err = ns_cgroup_clone(tsk);

- if (err) {

- put_nsproxy(new_ns);

- goto out;

- }

-

tsk->nsproxy = new_ns;

out:

@@ -209,7 +203,7 @@ int unshare_nsproxy_namespaces(unsigned long unshare_flags,

goto out;

}

- err = ns_cgroup_clone(current);

+ err = ns_cgroup_clone(current, task_pid(current));

if (err)

put_nsproxy(*new_nsp);

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