Subject: Re: [BUG][cryo] Create file on restart? Posted by serue on Thu, 17 Jul 2008 02:18:34 GMT

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> | > | > cryo does not (cannot?) recreate files if the application created
> | > | I think that's for the best.
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> | > | Don't you?
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> | > I can understand that configuration or data files should exist, but
> | > not sure about temporary or log files that an application created
> | > upon start-up and expects to be present. Should the admin find
> | > out about them and create them by hand before restart?
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> | I think the admin should have set the destination environment such that
> | the task is restarted in the same network fs in the same directory, with
> | no files having been deleted.
> or new files created? For instance if the application was checkpointed
> before it created a temporary file with O_EXCL flag, that temporary
> file must not exist when restarting?
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> | Am I wrong?
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> So we take a snapshot of the FS and checkpoint the application. Do they
> need to be atomic?
> Eitherway, I withdraw the bug :-)
Well it's certainly beyond the scope of cryo. I'd prefer if we didn't
have to snapshot the fs at each checkpoint (!) and I think any many or
most cases (think one long-running scientific app or seti@home that just
occasionally gets migrated or stopped for a reboot) it won't be an
issue. But your point seems valid.
-serge
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