Subject: Re: [PATCH 0/9] namespaces: Introduction Posted by Andrew Morton on Fri, 19 May 2006 15:13:34 GMT

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Herbert Poetzl herbert@13thfloor.at wrote:

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- > let me
- > give a simple example here:

Examples are useful.

> "pid virtualization"

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- > Linux-VServer doesn't really need that right now.
- > we are perfectly fine with "pid isolation" here, we
- > only "virtualize" the init pid to make pstree happy

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- > Snapshot/Restart and Migration will require "full"
- > pid virtualization (that's where Eric and OpenVZ
- > are heading towards)

snapshot/restart/migration worry me. If they require complete serialisation of complex kernel data structures then we have a problem, because it means that any time anyone changes such a structure they need to update (and test) the serialisation.

This may be a show-stopper, in which case maybe we only need to virtualise pid #1.

- OpenSSI and *Mosix require system wide pid spaces
- > which probably could be implemented with virtual
- > pid spaces as well

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- > many security addons provide something called pid
- > randomization, and I think they could probably
- > benefit from a virtual pid space, too

ok.

Anyway. Thanks, guys. It sound like most of this work will be nicely separable so we can think about each bit as it comes along.