Subject: Re: [PATCH 0/9] namespaces: Introduction Posted by Herbert Poetzl on Sun, 21 May 2006 23:32:15 GMT

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On Sun, May 21, 2006 at 05:18:50PM -0600, Eric W. Biederman wrote:

> Pavel Machek <pavel@ucw.cz> writes:

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- > > Well, if pid #1 virtualization is only needed for pstree, we may want
- > > to fix pstree instead :-).

yes, actually this and init itself (which uses the pid to switch between init and telinit behaviour) are the only two applications we found so far ...

and as far as I know, those work with non pid=1 values on other operating systems (inside containers)

a fix there would definitely be appreciated and I think it would not hurt normal behaviour ...

- > One thing that is not clear is if isolation by permission checks is
- > any easier to implement than isolation with a namespace.

for the pid space, I'm not really sure if isolation is really cheaper than virtualization, but for the network space for example, a virtualization solution which is as lightweigth as the isolation is probably more challenging, although not impossible ...

- > Isolation at permission checks may actually be more expensive in terms
- > of execution time, and maintenance.

again, for the pid space, maintenance is quite low ..

best, Herbert

> Eric