
Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/3] don't take cgroup_mutex in destroy()

Posted by [Tejun Heo](#) on Thu, 19 Apr 2012 22:57:04 GMT

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On Thu, Apr 19, 2012 at 07:49:17PM -0300, Glauber Costa wrote:

> Most of the destroy functions are only doing very simple things
> like freeing memory.
>
> The ones who goes through lists and such, already use its own
> locking for those.
>
> * The cgroup itself won't go away until we free it, (after destroy)
> * The parent won't go away because we hold a reference count
> * There are no more tasks in the cgroup, and the cgroup is declared
> dead (cgroup_is_removed() == true)
>
> For the blk-cgroup and the cpusets, I got the impression that the mutex
> is still necessary.
>
> For those, I grabbed it from within the destroy function itself.
>
> If the maintainer for those subsystems consider it safe to remove
> it, we can discuss it separately.

I really don't like cgroup_lock() usage spreading more. It's something which should be contained in cgroup.c proper. I looked at the existing users a while ago and they seemed to be compensating deficiencies in API, so, if at all possible, let's not spread the disease.

Thanks.

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