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Subject: Re: [PATCH] NFS: init client before declaration  
Posted by [Myklebust, Trond](#) on Tue, 22 May 2012 16:43:23 GMT  
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On Tue, 2012-05-22 at 20:18 +0400, Stanislav Kinsbursky wrote:

> On 22.05.2012 19:51, Myklebust, Trond wrote:

> > On Tue, 2012-05-22 at 19:29 +0400, Stanislav Kinsbursky wrote:

> > > On 22.05.2012 19:00, Myklebust, Trond wrote:

> > > > On Tue, 2012-05-22 at 10:29 -0400, Trond Myklebust wrote:

> > > > > On Tue, 2012-05-22 at 16:40 +0400, Stanislav Kinsbursky wrote:

> > > > > Client have to be initialized prior to adding it to per-net clients list,

> > > > > because otherwise there are races, shown below:

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> > > > > CPU#0    CPU#1

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> > > > > nfs\_get\_client

> > > > > nfs\_alloc\_client

> > > > > list\_add(..., nfs\_client\_list)

> > > > >    rpc\_fill\_super

> > > > >    rpc\_pipefs\_event

> > > > >    nfs\_get\_client\_for\_event

> > > > >    \_\_rpc\_pipefs\_event

> > > > >    (clp->cl\_rpcclient is uninitialized)

> > > > >    BUG()

> > > > > init\_client

> > > > > clp->cl\_rpcclient = ...

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> > > > > Why not simply change nfs\_get\_client\_for\_event() so that it doesn't

> > > > > touch nfs\_clients that have clp->cl\_cons\_state!=NFS\_CS\_READY?

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> > > > > That should ensure that it doesn't touch nfs\_clients that failed to

> > > > > initialise and/or are still in the process of being initialised.

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> > > > > ...actually, come to think of it. Why not just add a helper function

> > > > > "bool nfs\_client\_active(const struct nfs\_client \*clp)" to

> > > > > fs/nfs/client.c that does a call to

> > > > > wait\_event\_killable(nfs\_client\_active\_wq, clp->cl\_cons\_state< NFS\_CS\_INITING);

> > > > > and checks the resulting value of clp->cl\_cons\_state?

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> > > > > Sorry, but I don't understand the idea...

> > > > > Where are you proposing to call this function?

> > > > > In \_\_rpc\_pipefs\_event() prior to dentries creatios?

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> > > > > See below:

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> > From f5b90df6381a20395d9f88a199e9e52f44267457 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001
> > From: Trond Myklebust<Trond.Myklebust@netapp.com>
> > Date: Tue, 22 May 2012 11:49:55 -0400
> > Subject: [PATCH] NFSv4: Fix a race in the net namespace mount notification
> >
> > Since the struct nfs_client gets added to the global nfs_client_list
> > before it is initialised, it is possible that rpc_pipefs_event can
> > end up trying to create idmapper entries for such a thing.
> >
> > The solution is to have the mount notification wait for the
> > nfs_client initialisation to complete.
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> > Reported-by: Stanislav Kinsbursky<skinsbursky@parallels.com>
> > Signed-off-by: Trond Myklebust<Trond.Myklebust@netapp.com>
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> > fs/nfs/client.c | 14 ++++++++
> > fs/nfs/idmap.c | 3 +-
> > fs/nfs/internal.h | 1 +
> > 3 files changed, 17 insertions(+), 1 deletions(-)
> >
> > diff --git a/fs/nfs/client.c b/fs/nfs/client.c
> > index 60f7e4e..3fa44ef 100644
> > --- a/fs/nfs/client.c
> > +++ b/fs/nfs/client.c
> > @@ -592,6 +592,20 @@ void nfs_mark_client_ready(struct nfs_client *clp, int state)
> >     wake_up_all(&nfs_client_active_wq);
> > }
> >
> > +static bool nfs_client_ready(struct nfs_client *clp)
> > +{
> > + return clp->cl_cons_state<= NFS_CS_READY;
> > +}
> > +
> > +int nfs_wait_client_ready(struct nfs_client *clp)
> > +{
> > + if (wait_event_killable(nfs_client_active_wq, nfs_client_ready(clp))< 0)
> > + return -ERESTARTSYS;
> >
> > Ok, I see...
> > BTW, caller of this function is pipefs mount operation call... And when this
> > mount call waits for NFS clients - it look a bit odd to me...
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> > + if (clp->cl_cons_state< 0)
> > + return clp->cl_cons_state;
> > + return 0;
> > +}

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> > /*
> >  * With sessions, the client is not marked ready until after a
> >  * successful EXCHANGE_ID and CREATE_SESSION.
> > diff --git a/fs/nfs/idmap.c b/fs/nfs/idmap.c
> > index 3e8edbe..67962c8 100644
> > --- a/fs/nfs/idmap.c
> > +++ b/fs/nfs/idmap.c
> > @@ -558,7 +558,8 @@ static int rpc_pipefs_event(struct notifier_block *nb, unsigned long
event,
> >     return 0;
> >
> > while ((clp = nfs_get_client_for_event(sb->s_fs_info, event))) {
> > - error = __rpc_pipefs_event(clp, event, sb);
> > + if (nfs_wait_client_ready(clp) == 0)
> > + error = __rpc_pipefs_event(clp, event, sb);
> >
> >
> We have another problem here.
> nfs4_init_client() will try to create pipe dentries prior to set of NFS_CS_READY
> to the client. And dentries will be created since semaphore is dropped and
> per-net superblock variable is initialized already.
> But __rpc_pipefs_event() relays on the fact, that no dentries present.
> Looks like the problem was introduced by me in aad9487c...
> So maybe we should not call "continue" instead "__rpc_pipefs_event()", when
> client becomes ready?
> Looks like this will allow us to handle such races.

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Let me rework this patch a bit...

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