
Subject: Re: [PATCH 11/11] protect architectures where THREAD_SIZE >= PAGE_SIZE against fork bombs

Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2012 12:48:08 GMT

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On 06/25/2012 10:38 PM, Tejun Heo wrote:

> On Mon, Jun 25, 2012 at 06:55:35PM +0200, Frederic Weisbecker wrote:

>> On 06/25/2012 04:15 PM, Glauber Costa wrote:

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>>> Because those architectures will draw their stacks directly from
>>> the page allocator, rather than the slab cache, we can directly
>>> pass __GFP_KMEMCG flag, and issue the corresponding free_pages.

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>>> This code path is taken when the architecture doesn't define
>>> CONFIG_ARCH_THREAD_INFO_ALLOCATOR (only ia64 seems to), and has
>>> THREAD_SIZE >= PAGE_SIZE. Luckily, most - if not all - of the
>>> remaining architectures fall in this category.

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>>> This will guarantee that every stack page is accounted to the memcg
>>> the process currently lives on, and will have the allocations to fail
>>> if they go over limit.

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>>> For the time being, I am defining a new variant of THREADINFO_GFP, not
>>> to mess with the other path. Once the slab is also tracked by memcg,
>>> we can get rid of that flag.

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>>> Tested to successfully protect against :(){ :|:& };:

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> Frederic, does this (with proper slab accounting added later) achieve
> what you wanted with the task counter?

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A note: Frederic may confirm, but I think he doesn't even need the slab accounting to follow to achieve that goal.
