
Subject: Re: [RFC PATCH 0/2] net: connect to UNIX sockets from specified root
Posted by [bfields](#) on Mon, 13 Aug 2012 16:47:30 GMT

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On Sat, Aug 11, 2012 at 03:15:24PM +0400, Stanislav Kinsbursky wrote:

> >On 08/11/2012 03:09 AM, H. Peter Anvin wrote:
> >>On 08/10/2012 12:28 PM, Alan Cox wrote:
> >>>Explicitly for Linux yes - this is not generally true of the AF_UNIX
> >>>socket domain and even the permissions aspect isn't guaranteed to be
> >>>supported on some BSD environments !
> >>Yes, but let's worry about what the Linux behavior should be.
> >>
> >>>The name is however just a proxy for the socket itself. You don't even
> >>>get a device node in the usual sense or the same inode in the file system
> >>>space.
> >>
> >>No, but it is looked up the same way any other inode is (the difference
> >>between FIFOs and sockets is that sockets have separate connections,
> >>which is also why open() on sockets would be nice.)
> >>
> >>However, there is a fundamental difference between AF_UNIX sockets and
> >>open(), and that is how the pathname is delivered. It thus would make
> >>more sense to provide the openat()-like information in struct
> >>sockaddr_un, but that may be very hard to do in a sensible way. In that
> >>sense it perhaps would be cleaner to be able to do an open[at]() on the
> >>socket node with O_PATH (perhaps there should be an O_SOCKET option,
> >>even?) and pass the resulting file descriptor to bind() or connect().
> >I vote for this (openat + O_WHATEVER on a unix socket) as well. It will
> >help us in checkpoint-restore, making handling of overmounted/unlinked
> >sockets much cleaner.
>
> I have to notice, that it's not enough and doesn't solve the issue.
> There should be some way how to connect/bind already existent unix
> socket (from kernel, at least), because socket can be created in
> user space.
> And this way (sock operation or whatever) have to provide an ability
> to lookup UNIX socket starting from specified root to support
> containers.

I don't understand--the rpcbind sockets are created by the kernel. What
am I missing?

--b.
