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Subject: Re: [RFC PATCH] posix timers: allocate timer id per task  
Posted by [Stanislav Kinsbursky](#) on Tue, 16 Oct 2012 07:57:58 GMT  
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> On Mon, 2012-10-15 at 20:17 +0400, Stanislav Kinsbursky wrote:  
>> This patch is required CRIU project ([www.criu.org](http://www.criu.org)).  
>> To migrate processes with posix timers we have to make sure, that we can  
>> restore posix timer with proper id.  
>> Currently, this is not true, because timer ids are allocated globally.  
>> So, this is precursor patch and it's purpose is make posix timer id to be  
>> allocated per task.  
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>> Patch replaces global idr with global hash table for posix timers and  
>> makes timer ids unique not globally, but per task. Next free timer id is type  
>> of integer and stored on signal struct (posix\_timer\_id). If free timer id  
>> reaches negative value on timer creation, it will be dropped to zero and  
>> -EAGAIN will be returned to user.  
>> Hash table is size of page (4KB).  
>> Key is constructed as follows:  
>> key = hash\_ptr(current->signal) ^ hash\_32(posix\_timer\_id);  
>>  
>> Signed-off-by: Stanislav Kinsbursky <[skinsbursky@parallels.com](mailto:skinsbursky@parallels.com)>  
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>  
> Hmm, it seems you removed idr, rcu friendly, and reinstated a fixed size  
> hash table, protected by a \_single\_ spinlock ? Oh well.  
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> Please take a look at commit 8af088710d1e, and make sure you fix your  
> problem and keep performance as good as before.  
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Thanks, Eric.  
I'll update.

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Best regards,  
Stanislav Kinsbursky

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