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Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH 00/10] Containers(V10): Generic Process Containers

Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Fri, 08 Jun 2007 16:16:45 GMT

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Good point.

Looking at vfs\_mkdir(), it's pretty simple, and really the only bits that apply to container\_clone() are the call to ->mkdir() and possibly the call to fsnotify\_mkdir(). (I think that's maybe how you did it originally?)

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Paul

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Posted by [serue](#) on Fri, 08 Jun 2007 18:08:37 GMT

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Yes it was.

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> point directly, which would allow us more parameters.

I do fear that that could become a maintenance nightmare. For instance right now there's the call to `fsnotify_mkdir()`. Other such hooks might be placed at `vfs_mkdir`, which we'd then likely want to have placed in our `container_mkdir()` and `container_clone()` fns. And of course `may_create()` is static inline in `fs/namei.c`. It's trivial, but still if it changes we'd want to change the version in `kernel/container.c` as well.

What would be the main advantage of doing it this way? Do you consider the extra `subys->auto_setup()` hook to be avoidable bloat?

thanks,  
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Posted by [serge](#) on Fri, 08 Jun 2007 19:42:47 GMT

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> Paul

clone() implies it does the actual cloning, so how about post\_clone()  
as in the patch below?

I'm still not saying I'm entirely opposed to moving the vfs\_mkdir logic  
straight into container\_clone() - it's more that I would expect other  
people to object when they saw that. So if you decide you don't like  
the end result with this patch, let me know and I'll give that a shot.

Paul (Jackson), is this comment added in cpusets close enough to what  
you were asking for?

thanks,  
-serge

>From c2f1a39b231f06cb524c6e95d74de6ddee286f25 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001

From: Serge E. Hallyn <serue@us.ibm.com>

Date: Fri, 8 Jun 2007 15:36:59 -0400

Subject: [PATCH 4/4] containers: minor clone cleanup

rename auto\_setup() to post\_clone(), and comment the cpusets version.

Signed-off-by: Serge E. Hallyn <serue@us.ibm.com>

```
---
Documentation/containers.txt | 10 +++++-----
include/linux/container.h   |  2 +-
kernel/container.c          |  4 ++--
kernel/cpuset.c             | 20 ++++++-----
4 files changed, 26 insertions(+), 10 deletions(-)
```

```
diff --git a/Documentation/containers.txt b/Documentation/containers.txt
```

```
index 28c9e10..9fdb808 100644
```

```
--- a/Documentation/containers.txt
```

```
+++ b/Documentation/containers.txt
```

```
@@ -514,12 +514,12 @@ include/linux/container.h for details). Note that although this
method can return an error code, the error code is currently not
always handled well.
```

```
-void auto_setup(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *cont)
```

```
+void post_clone(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *cont)
```

```
-Called at container_clone() to do any parameter initialization
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-which might be required before a task could attach. For example
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-in cpusets, no task may attach before 'cpus' and 'mems' are
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-set up.
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```

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+up.
```

```
void bind(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *root)
```

```
LL=callback_mutex
```

```
diff --git a/include/linux/container.h b/include/linux/container.h
```

```
index d809b41..1a83913 100644
```

```
--- a/include/linux/container.h
```

```
+++ b/include/linux/container.h
```

```
@@ -213,7 +213,7 @@ struct container_subsys {
void (*exit)(struct container_subsys *ss, struct task_struct *task);
int (*populate)(struct container_subsys *ss,
struct container *cont);
```

```
- void (*auto_setup)(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *cont);
```

```
+ void (*post_clone)(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *cont);
```

```
void (*bind)(struct container_subsys *ss, struct container *root);
```

```
int subsys_id;
```

```
int active;
```

```
diff --git a/kernel/container.c b/kernel/container.c
```

index e0793f4..11e326a 100644

--- a/kernel/container.c

+++ b/kernel/container.c

@@ -2400,8 +2400,8 @@ int container\_clone(struct task\_struct \*tsk, struct container\_subsys \*subsys)

```
/* do any required auto-setup */
for_each_subsys(root, ss) {
- if (ss->auto_setup)
- ss->auto_setup(ss, child);
+ if (ss->post_clone)
+ ss->post_clone(ss, child);
}
```

/\* All seems fine. Finish by moving the task into the new container \*/

diff --git a/kernel/cpuset.c b/kernel/cpuset.c

index ff01aaa..ecef1d 100644

--- a/kernel/cpuset.c

+++ b/kernel/cpuset.c

@@ -1189,7 +1189,23 @@ int cpuset\_populate(struct container\_subsys \*ss, struct container \*cont)

```
return 0;
}
```

-void cpuset\_auto\_setup(struct container\_subsys \*ss,

+/\*

+ \* post\_clone() is called at the end of container\_clone().

+ \* 'container' was just created automatically as a result of

+ \* a container\_clone(), and the current task is about to

+ \* be moved into 'container'.

+ \*

+ \* Currently we refuse to set up the container - thereby

+ \* refusing the task to be entered, and as a result refusing

+ \* the sys\_unshare() or clone() which initiated it - if any

+ \* sibling cpusets have exclusive cpus or mem.

+ \*

+ \* If this becomes a problem for some users who wish to

+ \* allow that scenario, then cpuset\_post\_clone() could be

+ \* changed to grant parent->cpus\_allowed\_sibling\_cpus\_exclusive

+ \* (and likewise for mems) to the new container.

+ \*/

+void cpuset\_post\_clone(struct container\_subsys \*ss,

struct container \*container)

```
{
struct container *parent, *child;
```

@@ -1269,7 +1285,7 @@ struct container\_subsys cpuset\_subsys = {

```
.can_attach = cpuset_can_attach,
```

```
.attach = cpuset_attach,
```

```
.populate = cpuset_populate,  
- .auto_setup = cpuset_auto_setup,  
+ .post_clone = cpuset_post_clone,  
  .subsys_id = cpuset_subsys_id,  
  .early_init = 1,  
};  
--
```

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