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    int pipefd;
    struct autofs_sb_info *sbi;
    int minproto, maxproto;
+ pid_t pgid;

    sbi = kzalloc(sizeof(*sbi), GFP_KERNEL);
    if (!sbi)
@@ -150,7 +153,6 @@ int autofs_fill_super(struct super_block
    sbi->pipe = NULL;
    sbi->catatonic = 1;
    sbi->exp_timeout = 0;
- sbi->oz_pgrp = process_group(current);
    autofs_initialize_hash(&sbi->dirhash);
    sbi->queues = NULL;
    memset(sbi->symlink_bitmap, 0, sizeof(long)*AUTOFS_SYMLINK_BITMAP_LEN);
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    /* Can this call block? - WTF cares? s is locked. */
    if (parse_options(data, &pipefd, &root_inode->i_uid,
- &root_inode->i_gid, &sbi->oz_pgrp, &minproto,
+ &root_inode->i_gid, &pgid, &minproto,
    &maxproto)) {
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@@ -184,13 +186,21 @@ int autofs_fill_super(struct super_block
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}

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+
+ if (!sbi->oz_pgrp) {
+   printk("autofs: could not find process group %d\n", pgid);
+   goto fail_dput;
+ }
+
+   pipe = fget(pipefd);

+   if (!pipe) {
+     printk("autofs: could not open pipe file descriptor\n");
+     goto fail_dput;
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fail_dput:
  dput(root);
  goto fail_free;

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@@ -213,8 +213,10 @@ static struct dentry *autofs_root_lookup
  sbi = autofs_sbi(dir->i_sb);

  oz_mode = autofs_oz_mode(sbi);
- DPRINTK(("autofs_lookup: pid = %u, pgrp = %u, catatonic = %d, oz_mode = %d\n",
-   current->pid, process_group(current), sbi->catatonic, oz_mode));
+ DPRINTK(("autofs_lookup: pid = %u, pgrp = %u, catatonic = %d, "
+   "oz_mode = %d\n", pid_nr(task_pid(current)),
+   process_group(current), sbi->catatonic,
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Posted by [Ian Kent](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 04:04:52 GMT

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> +
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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference
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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference

Posted by [Ian Kent](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 14:31:07 GMT

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Here's the latest.

thanks,

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ChangeLog:

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- Also rollback my earlier change to autofs_wait_queue (pid and tgid in the wait queue are just used to write to a userspace daemon's pipe).
- Fix Cedric's comments: retain old prototype of parse_options() and move necessary change to its caller.

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+++ 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/autofs_i.h
@@ -35,7 +35,7 @@
/* #define DEBUG */

#ifdef DEBUG
-#define DPRINTK(fmt,args...) do { printk(KERN_DEBUG "pid %d: %s: " fmt "\n" , current->pid ,
__FUNCTION__ , ##args); } while(0)
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pid_nr(task_pid(current)), __FUNCTION__ , ##args); } while(0)
#else
#define DPRINTK(fmt,args...) do {} while(0)
#endif
@@ -96,7 +96,7 @@ struct autofs_sb_info {
    u32 magic;
    int pipefd;
    struct file *pipe;
```

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- pid_t oz_pgrp;
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  int sub_version;
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static inline int autofs4_oz_mode(struct autofs_sb_info *sbi) {
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}

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/* Does a dentry have some pending activity? */

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--- 2.6.20.orig/fs/autofs4/inode.c

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@@ -163,6 +163,8 @@ void autofs4_kill_sb(struct super_block
    if ( !sbi->catatonic )
        autofs4_catatonic_mode(sbi); /* Free wait queues, close pipe */

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+ put_pid(sbi->oz_pgrp);
+

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/* Clean up and release dangling references */
autofs4_force_release(sbi);

```

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@@ -181,7 +183,7 @@ static int autofs4_show_options(struct s
    return 0;

```

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    seq_printf(m, ",fd=%d", sbi->pipefd);
- seq_printf(m, ",pgrp=%d", sbi->oz_pgrp);
+ seq_printf(m, ",pgrp=%d", pid_nr(sbi->oz_pgrp));
    seq_printf(m, ",timeout=%lu", sbi->exp_timeout/HZ);
    seq_printf(m, ",minproto=%d", sbi->min_proto);
    seq_printf(m, ",maxproto=%d", sbi->max_proto);
@@ -311,6 +313,7 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
    int pipefd;
    struct autofs_sb_info *sbi;
    struct autofs_info *ino;
+ pid_t pgid;

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    sbi = kmalloc(sizeof(*sbi), GFP_KERNEL);
    if (!sbi)
@@ -325,7 +328,6 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
    sbi->pipe = NULL;
    sbi->catatonic = 1;
    sbi->exp_timeout = 0;

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- sbi->oz_pgrp = process_group(current);
  sbi->sb = s;
  sbi->version = 0;
  sbi->sub_version = 0;
@@ -361,7 +363,7 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc

/* Can this call block? */
if (parse_options(data, &pipefd, &root_inode->i_uid, &root_inode->i_gid,
- &sbi->oz_pgrp, &sbi->type, &sbi->min_proto,
+ &pgid, &sbi->type, &sbi->min_proto,
  &sbi->max_proto)) {
  printk("autofs: called with bogus options\n");
  goto fail_dput;
@@ -389,12 +391,19 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
  sbi->version = sbi->max_proto;
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@@ -495,7 +495,8 @@ static struct dentry *autofs4_lookup(str
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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference

Posted by [Ian Kent](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 16:46:58 GMT

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> C.
>
> From: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <sukadev@us.ibm.com>
>
> Subject: Replace pid_t in autofs4 with struct pid reference.
>
> Make autofs4 container-friendly by caching struct pid reference rather
> than pid_t and using pid_nr() to retrieve a task's pid_t.
>
> ChangeLog:
> - Fix Eric Biederman's comments - Use find_get_pid() to hold a
>   reference to oz_pgrp and release while unmounting; separate out
>   changes to autofs and autofs4.
> - Also rollback my earlier change to autofs_wait_queue (pid and tgid
>   in the wait queue are just used to write to a userspace daemon's
>   pipe).
>   - Fix Cedric's comments: retain old prototype of parse_options()
>     and move necessary change to its caller.
>
> Signed-off-by: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <sukadev@us.ibm.com>
> Cc: Cedric Le Goater <clg@fr.ibm.com>
> Cc: Dave Hansen <haveblue@us.ibm.com>
> Cc: Serge Hallyn <serue@us.ibm.com>
> Cc: Eric Biederman <ebiederm@xmission.com>
> Cc: containers@lists.osdl.org
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> fs/autofs4/inode.c    | 21 ++++++++-----
> fs/autofs4/root.c     | 3 +-
> fs/autofs4/waitq.c    | 4 +++
> 4 files changed, 23 insertions(+), 11 deletions(-)
>
> Index: 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/autofs_i.h
> =====
> --- 2.6.20.orig/fs/autofs4/autofs_i.h
> +++ 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/autofs_i.h
> @@ -35,7 +35,7 @@
> /* #define DEBUG */
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>
> #ifdef DEBUG
> -#define DPRINTK(fmt,args...) do { printk(KERN_DEBUG "pid %d: %s: " fmt "\n" , current->pid ,
__FUNCTION__ , ##args); } while(0)
> +#define DPRINTK(fmt,args...) do { printk(KERN_DEBUG "pid %d: %s: " fmt "\n" ,
pid_nr(task_pid(current)), __FUNCTION__ , ##args); } while(0)
> #else
> #define DPRINTK(fmt,args...) do {} while(0)
> #endif
> @@ -96,7 +96,7 @@ struct autofs_sb_info {
>  u32 magic;
>  int pipefd;
>  struct file *pipe;
> - pid_t oz_pgrp;
> + struct pid *oz_pgrp;
>  int catatonic;
>  int version;
>  int sub_version;
> @@ -127,7 +127,7 @@ static inline struct autofs_info *autofs
>  filesystem without "magic".) */
>
> static inline int autofs4_oz_mode(struct autofs_sb_info *sbi) {
> - return sbi->catatonic || process_group(current) == sbi->oz_pgrp;
> + return sbi->catatonic || task_pgrp(current) == sbi->oz_pgrp;
> }
>
> /* Does a dentry have some pending activity? */
> Index: 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/inode.c
> =====
> --- 2.6.20.orig/fs/autofs4/inode.c
> +++ 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/inode.c
> @@ -163,6 +163,8 @@ void autofs4_kill_sb(struct super_block
>  if ( !sbi->catatonic )
>  autofs4_catatonic_mode(sbi); /* Free wait queues, close pipe */
>
> + put_pid(sbi->oz_pgrp);
> +
>  /* Clean up and release dangling references */
>  autofs4_force_release(sbi);
>
> @@ -181,7 +183,7 @@ static int autofs4_show_options(struct s
>  return 0;
>
>
>  seq_printf(m, ",fd=%d", sbi->pipefd);
> - seq_printf(m, ",pgrp=%d", sbi->oz_pgrp);
> + seq_printf(m, ",pgrp=%d", pid_nr(sbi->oz_pgrp));
>  seq_printf(m, ",timeout=%lu", sbi->exp_timeout/HZ);
>  seq_printf(m, ",minproto=%d", sbi->min_proto);

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> seq_printf(m, ",maxproto=%d", sbi->max_proto);
> @@ -311,6 +313,7 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
> int pipefd;
> struct autofs_sb_info *sbi;
> struct autofs_info *ino;
> + pid_t pgid;
>
> sbi = kmalloc(sizeof(*sbi), GFP_KERNEL);
> if (!sbi)
> @@ -325,7 +328,6 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
> sbi->pipe = NULL;
> sbi->catatonic = 1;
> sbi->exp_timeout = 0;
> - sbi->oz_pgrp = process_group(current);
> sbi->sb = s;
> sbi->version = 0;
> sbi->sub_version = 0;
> @@ -361,7 +363,7 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
>
> /* Can this call block? */
> if (parse_options(data, &pipefd, &root_inode->i_uid, &root_inode->i_gid,
> - &sbi->oz_pgrp, &sbi->type, &sbi->min_proto,
> + &pgid, &sbi->type, &sbi->min_proto,
> &sbi->max_proto)) {
> printk("autofs: called with bogus options\n");
> goto fail_dput;
> @@ -389,12 +391,19 @@ int autofs4_fill_super(struct super_bloc
> sbi->version = sbi->max_proto;
> sbi->sub_version = AUTOFS_PROTO_SUBVERSION;
>
> - DPRINTK("pipe fd = %d, pgrp = %u", pipefd, sbi->oz_pgrp);
> + DPRINTK("pipe fd = %d, pgrp = %u", pipefd, pgid);
> +
> + sbi->oz_pgrp = find_get_pid(pgid);
> + if (!sbi->oz_pgrp) {
> + printk("autofs: could not find process group %d\n", pgid);
> + goto fail_dput;
> + }
> +
> pipe = fget(pipefd);
>
> if (!pipe) {
> printk("autofs: could not open pipe file descriptor\n");
> - goto fail_dput;
> + goto fail_put_pid;
> }
> if (!pipe->f_op || !pipe->f_op->write)
> goto fail_fput;

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> @@ -415,6 +424,8 @@ fail_fput:
> printk("autofs: pipe file descriptor does not contain proper ops\n");
> fput(pipe);
> /* fall through */
> +fail_put_pid:
> + put_pid(sbi->oz_pgrp);
> fail_dput:
> dput(root);
> goto fail_free;
> Index: 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/root.c
> =====
> --- 2.6.20.orig/fs/autofs4/root.c
> +++ 2.6.20/fs/autofs4/root.c
> @@ -495,7 +495,8 @@ static struct dentry *autofs4_lookup(str
> oz_mode = autofs4_oz_mode(sbi);
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> DPRINTK("pid = %u, pgrp = %u, catatonic = %d, oz_mode = %d",
> - current->pid, process_group(current), sbi->catatonic, oz_mode);
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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference
Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 19:21:51 GMT

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Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 20:40:06 GMT
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I will keep it in mind. As long a we keep patches that actually change the

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> >>
> >> I have a concern with this bit as I my quick review said the wait queue
> >> persists, and if so we should be cache the struct pid pointer, not the
> >> pid_t value. Heck the whol pid_nr(task_xxx(current)) idiom I find very
> >> suspicious.
> >>
> >> Based just on what I see right here I agree it seems like we would want
> >> to store a ref to the pid, not store the pid_nr(pid) output, so in this
> >> context it is suspicious.
>

> So that far we are in agreement.

So how about the following on top of the patch Cedric sent out?

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From: Serge Hallyn <serue@us.ibm.com>
Date: 1174412305 -0500

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference
Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 20:45:03 GMT
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> wake_up_interruptible(&wq->queue);
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> --
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Eric

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Posted by [serue](#) on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 21:41:25 GMT
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Thanks. Also needed another tweak in the .h file. Here's a new patch.
Ian, please let me know if this (combined with the previous patch from Cedric) is acceptable to you.

thanks,
-serge

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We need to know what the userspace daemon being written to is doing with autofs_ptype_{missing,expire}_{in,}direct() messages.

If I understand correctly, the pid being sent is of a process which tried to automount some directory. The message is being sent to the autofs daemon, which should be running in the root pid namespace.

So as it is, the pid_nr(wq->pid) should be done under the init pid_namespace, since it's a kthread. So as long as the userspace automount daemon is started in the root pid namespace, the pid it gets will be the right one.

Ian, does what I'm saying make sense, or am I wrong about how things work for autofs?

thanks,

-serge

PS

Note that if I'm right, but some machine starts autofs in a child pid_namespace, the pid_nr() the way I have it is wrong. I'm not sure in that case how we go about fixing that. Somehow we need to store the autofs userspace daemon's pid namespace pointer to help us find the proper pid_nr.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference
Posted by [Ian Kent](#) on Thu, 22 Mar 2007 02:00:51 GMT

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The context here is the automount daemon only for expire runs.

Mount request packets are triggered by user processes walking over an autofs mount point directory. So "current" in this case isn't the autofs daemon.

Requests are sent via a pipe to the daemon.

Ian

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+ get_pid_ns(sbi->pidns);
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    spin_lock_init(&sbi->fs_lock);
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    struct hlist_node *pos;

    if (!pid)
        return 0;
-
    rcu_read_lock();
    hlist_for_each_entry_rcu(pid_nr, pos, &pid->pid_nrs, node)
- if (pid_nr->pid_ns == task_pid_ns(current)) {
+ if (pid_nr->pid_ns == ns) {
        rcu_read_unlock();
        return pid_nr->nr;
    }

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    return 0;
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> >
> > Basically I'm just trying to be certain we are calling pid_nr in the
> > proper context. Otherwise we could get the wrong pid when we have
> > multiple pid namespaces in play.
>
> We need to know what the userspace daemon being written to is doing
> with autofs_ptype_{missing,expire}_{in,}direct() messages.

At the moment autofs only uses the packet->pid for logging purposes.
This solves an age old problem of not knowing who is causing mount
requests.

I'm not aware of any other applications that use version 5 yet but that
of course could change. So we can't really know what will be done with
these ids at some point in the future.

>
> If I understand correctly, the pid being sent is of a process which
> tried to automount some directory. The message is being sent to the
> autofs daemon, which should be running in the root pid namespace.

Yes, but it could be the autofs daemon itself in the expire case.

Usually it doesn't make sense to run an automounting application as
other than "root" but I'm not familiar with other possible userspace
applications. Perhaps User Mode Linux could be an issue?

>
> So as it is, the pid_nr(wq->pid) should be done under the init
> pid_namespace, since it's a kthread. So as long as the userspace
> automount daemon is started in the root pid namespace, the pid it gets
> will be the right one.
>
> Ian, does what I'm saying make sense, or am I wrong about how things
> work for autofs?

Yep. That's the way it is.

>
> thanks,

> -serge

>

> PS

> Note that if I'm right, but some machine starts autofs in a child

> pid_namespace, the pid_nr() the way I have it is wrong. I'm not sure in

> that case how we go about fixing that. Somehow we need to store the

> autofs userspace daemon's pid namespace pointer to help us find the

> proper pid_nr.

In order for any user space application to use the module it must mount the autofs file system, passing a file handle for the pipe to use for communication. This must always be done. Can we grab the process pid namespace at that time and store it in the superblock info structure?

How does this affect getting ids for waitq request packets of other user space processes triggering mounts? I'm guessing that they would need to belong to the appropriate namespace for this mechanism to function correctly.

Ian

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I think this amounts to what I suggested in my previous replies.
Hopefully my comments are enough to clear up any questions on
correctness of this approach.

Sorry to be a pain but I'm having a little trouble reviewing the patch
because I'm not clear on where the code to handle the automount process
group (so called oz_pgrp), from the first patch, fits in with this.

Is this patch in addition to the original?

If so are the references to pid_nr still OK?

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Right, but the pipe is always opened on mount I think. (at
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Agreed. I just wasn't comfortable stopping until I felt we knew how autofs4 was going to be addressed. I think we know now, plus we've verified another definite need for the `__pid_nr(pidns, pid)` helper.

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Nah, let's hold off, and I'll sit on a patch to send out once rest of the infrastructure goes in.

-serge

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My pleasure.

Ian

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If it happens that someone is entirely too creative and the process that triggered the mount is in an entirely different pid namespace that does not map `__pid_nr` will return 0. Not perfect but at least it is well defined. And a reasonable thing to return for a process you cannot see.

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> example the "autodir" package uses the autofs filesystem to provide
> dynamic home directory creation. The point being that we can't know what
> an application may do with the info in a request packet so we need to be
> sure we cover all the cases.

A sentiment I share, and the reason why it is taking so long to come up with a patch for autofs4 that passes review.

Eric

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/2] Replace pid_t in autofs with struct pid reference
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Quoting Ian Kent (raven@themaw.net):

- > How does this affect getting ids for waitq request packets of other user
- > space processes triggering mounts? I'm guessing that they would need to
- > belong to the appropriate namespace for this mechanism to function
- > correctly.

A feature of the pid namespaces is that any process in a cloned namespace still has a valid pid in all ancestor pid namespaces. So when a process triggers a mount, either it is in the same or a decendent pid namespace as the process which did the mounting, in which case the pid sent to the mounter is correct; or it is in some other namespace, and it will get '0'. The latter shouldn't happen in a proper setup, and should be safe to ignore in an improper setup.

For instance, so long as any clone(CLONE_NEWPID) is always done along with a CLONE_NEWNS, and process in the child namespace which mounts an autofs instance, processes in the parent pid namespace won't trigger automounts. But if somehow they did (i.e. with shared submounts or by not doing CLONE_NEWNS), pid 0 will be reported.

thanks,
-serge

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