

---

Subject: [PATCH 15/17] Pid-NS(V3) Address signals in pid namespaces.  
Posted by [Sukadev Bhattiprolu](#) on Sat, 16 Jun 2007 23:05:05 GMT  
[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

From: sukadev@linux.vnet.ibm.com  
Subject: [PATCH 15/17] Pid-NS(V3) Address signals in pid namespaces.

With support for multiple pid namespaces, each pid namespace has a separate child reaper and this process needs some special handling of signals.

- The child reaper should appear like a normal process to other processes in its ancestor namespaces and so should be killable (or not) in the usual way.
  - The child reaper should receive, from processes in it's active and decendent namespaces, only those signals for which it has installed a signal handler.
- System-wide signals (eg: kill signum -1) from within a child namespace should only affect processes within that namespace and descendant namespaces. They should not be posted to processes in ancestor or sibling namespaces.
- If the sender of a signal does not have a pid\_t in the receiver's namespace (eg: a process in init\_pid\_ns sends a signal to a process in a descendant namespace), the sender's pid should appear as 0 in the signal's siginfo structure.
- Existing rules for SIGIO delivery still apply and a process can choose any other process in its namespace and descendant namespaces to receive the SIGIO signal.

The following appears to be incorrect in the fcntl() man page for F\_SETOWN.

Sending a signal to the owner process (group) specified by F\_SETOWN is subject to the same permissions checks as are described for kill(2), where the sending process is the one that employs F\_SETOWN (but see BUGS below).

Current behavior is that the SIGIO signal is delivered on behalf of the process that caused the event (eg: made data available on the file) and not the process that called fcntl().

To implement the above requirements, we:

- Add a check in check\_kill\_permission() for a process within a namespace sending the fast-pathed, SIGKILL signal.
- We use a flag, SIGQUEUE\_CINIT, to tell the container-init if a signal posted to its queue is from a process within its own namespace. The flag is set in send\_signal() if a process attempts to send a signal to its container-init.

The SIGQUEUE\_CINIT flag is checked in get\_signal\_to\_deliver() - if the flag is set, the sender is from within the namespace and the container-init can choose to ignore the signal.

If the SIGQUEUE\_CINIT flag is clear in get\_signal\_to\_deliver(), the signal originated from an ancestor namespace and so the container-init honors the signal.

Signed-off-by: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <sukadev@us.ibm.com>

```

---
include/linux/pid.h | 1
include/linux/sched.h | 11 +++++
include/linux/signal.h | 1
kernel/pid.c | 22 ++++++++
kernel/signal.c | 101 ++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++-----
5 files changed, 125 insertions(+), 11 deletions(-)

```

Index: lx26-22-rc4-mm2/kernel/pid.c

```

=====
--- lx26-22-rc4-mm2.orig/kernel/pid.c 2007-06-15 19:21:35.000000000 -0700
+++ lx26-22-rc4-mm2/kernel/pid.c 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
@@ -554,6 +554,28 @@ struct task_struct * fastcall pid_task(s
 }

/*
+ * Return TRUE if the task @p is visible in the pid namespace @ns
+ */
+int is_task_in_pid_ns(struct task_struct *p, struct pid_namespace *ns)
+{
+ int i;
+ struct upid *upid;
+ struct pid *pid = task_pid(p);
+
+ if (!pid)
+ return 0;
+
+ for (i = 0; i < pid->num_upids; i++) {
+ upid = &pid->upid_list[i];
+ if (upid->pid_ns == ns)
+ return 1;

```

```

+ }
+
+ return 0;
+}
+EXPORT_SYMBOL(is_task_in_pid_ns);
+
+/*
+ * Must be called under rcu_read_lock() or with tasklist_lock read-held.
+ */
+ struct task_struct *find_task_by_pid_type(int type, int nr)
Index: lx26-22-rc4-mm2/kernel/signal.c
=====
--- lx26-22-rc4-mm2.orig/kernel/signal.c 2007-06-15 19:04:53.000000000 -0700
+++ lx26-22-rc4-mm2/kernel/signal.c 2007-06-15 19:26:48.000000000 -0700
@@ -284,7 +284,8 @@ unblock_all_signals(void)
spin_unlock_irqrestore(&current->sigband->siglock, flags);
}

-static int collect_signal(int sig, struct sigpending *list, siginfo_t *info)
+static int collect_signal(int sig, struct sigpending *list, siginfo_t *info,
+ int *sig_cinit)
{
struct sigqueue *q, *first = NULL;
int still_pending = 0;
@@ -308,6 +309,8 @@ static int collect_signal(int sig, struc
if (first) {
list_del_init(&first->list);
copy_siginfo(info, &first->info);
+ if (first->flags & SIGQUEUE_CINIT)
+ *sig_cinit = 1;
__sigqueue_free(first);
if (!still_pending)
sigdelset(&list->signal, sig);
@@ -328,10 +331,11 @@ static int collect_signal(int sig, struc
}

static int __dequeue_signal(struct sigpending *pending, sigset_t *mask,
- siginfo_t *info)
+ siginfo_t *info, int *sig_cinit)
{
int sig = next_signal(pending, mask);

+ *sig_cinit = 0;
if (sig) {
if (current->notifier) {
if (sigismember(current->notifier_mask, sig)) {
@@ -342,7 +346,7 @@ static int __dequeue_signal(struct sigpe
}
}

```

```

}

- if (!collect_signal(sig, pending, info))
+ if (!collect_signal(sig, pending, info, sig_cinit))
    sig = 0;
}

@@ -350,17 +354,28 @@ static int __dequeue_signal(struct sigpe
}

/*
- * Dequeue a signal and return the element to the caller, which is
- * expected to free it.
+ * Dequeue a signal and update the @sig_cinit flag to say if the signal
+ * was posted to the container-init from within its pid namespace.
*
- * All callers have to hold the siglock.
+ * TODO: Rather than use the pointer-parameter, @sig_cinit, can we define
+ * a wrapper around 'struct signinfo' so we can add fields to that
+ * structure, without affecting user space ?
+ *
+ * struct kern_signinfo {
+ *     struct signinfo *user_signinfo;
+ *     int flags;
+ * }
+ *
+ * Functions like dequeue_signal() could take kern_signinfo as a
+ * parameter but still update user_signinfo when necessary ?
*/
-int dequeue_signal(struct task_struct *tsk, sigset_t *mask, signinfo_t *info)
+static int dequeue_signal_check_sig_cinit(struct task_struct *tsk,
+ sigset_t *mask, signinfo_t *info, int *sig_cinit)
{
- int signr = __dequeue_signal(&tsk->pending, mask, info);
+ int signr = __dequeue_signal(&tsk->pending, mask, info, sig_cinit);
    if (!signr) {
        signr = __dequeue_signal(&tsk->signal->shared_pending,
- mask, info);
+ mask, info, sig_cinit);
    }
    /*
     * itimer signal ?
     */
@@ -419,6 +434,19 @@ int dequeue_signal(struct task_struct *t
}

/*
+ * Dequeue a signal and return the element to the caller, which is
+ * expected to free it.

```

```

+ *
+ * All callers have to hold the siglock.
+ */
+int dequeue_signal(struct task_struct *tsk, sigset_t *mask, siginfo_t *info)
+{
+ int sig_cinit;
+
+ return dequeue_signal_check_sig_cinit(tsk, mask, info, &sig_cinit);
+}
+
+/*
+ * Tell a process that it has a new active signal..
+ *
+ * NOTE! we rely on the previous spin_lock to
@@ -500,6 +528,21 @@ static int rm_from_queue(unsigned long m
return 1;
}

+static int deny_signal_to_container_init(struct task_struct *t, int sig)
+{
+ /*
+ * If receiver is the container-init of sender and signal is SIGKILL
+ * reject it right-away. If signal is any other one, let the container
+ * init decide (in get_signal_to_deliver()) whether to handle it or
+ * ignore it.
+ */
+ if (is_container_init(t) && (sig == SIGKILL) &&
+ (task_active_pid_ns(current) == task_active_pid_ns(t)))
+ return -EPERM;
+
+ return 0;
+}
+
+/*
+ * Bad permissions for sending the signal
+ */
@@ -523,6 +566,10 @@ static int check_kill_permission(int sig
&& !capable(CAP_KILL))
return error;

+ error = deny_signal_to_container_init(t, sig);
+ if (error)
+ return error;
+
+ return security_task_kill(t, info, sig, 0);
+}

@@ -688,6 +735,25 @@ static int send_signal(int sig, struct s

```

```

    copy_siginfo(&q->info, info);
    break;
}
+
+ /*
+  * If sender and receiver are from the same namespace and the
+  * receiver is the container-init, set the SIGQUEUE_CINIT so
+  * the container-init can choose to ignore the signal.
+  *
+  * If the container-init receives a signal from its ancestor
+  * namespace, it must honor the signal (so SIGQUEUE_CINIT
+  * flag should be clear). But since the sender does not have
+  * a pid in the receiver's namespace, set si_pid to 0.
+  */
+ if (is_same_active_pid_ns(t)) {
+   if (is_container_init(t)) {
+     q->flags |= SIGQUEUE_CINIT;
+   }
+ } else {
+   q->info.si_pid = 0;
+ }
+
+ } else if (!is_si_special(info)) {
+   if (sig >= SIGRTMIN && info->si_code != SI_USER)
+     /*
@@ -1127,6 +1193,8 @@ EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(kill_pid_info_as_uid);
static int kill_something_info(int sig, struct siginfo *info, int pid)
{
    int ret;
+   struct pid_namespace *my_ns = task_active_pid_ns(current);
+
    rcu_read_lock();
    if (!pid) {
        ret = kill_pgrp_info(sig, info, task_pgrp(current));
@@ -1136,6 +1204,15 @@ static int kill_something_info(int sig,

    read_lock(&tasklist_lock);
    for_each_process(p) {
+   int in_ns = is_task_in_pid_ns(p, my_ns);
+
+   /*
+    * System-wide signals apply only to the sender's
+    * pid namespace, unless issued from init_pid_ns.
+    */
+   if (!in_ns)
+       continue;
+
        if (p->pid > 1 && p->tgid != current->tgid) {

```

```

    int err = group_send_sig_info(sig, info, p);
    ++count;
@@ -1756,6 +1833,7 @@ int get_signal_to_deliver(signinfo_t *inf
{
    sigset_t *mask = &current->blocked;
    int signr = 0;
+ int sig_cinit;

    try_to_freeze();

@@ -1768,7 +1846,8 @@ relock:
    handle_group_stop()
    goto relock;

- signr = dequeue_signal(current, mask, info);
+ signr = dequeue_signal_check_sig_cinit(current, mask, info,
+   &sig_cinit);

    if (!signr)
        break; /* will return 0 */
@@ -1829,7 +1908,7 @@ relock:
    * within that pid space. It can of course get signals from
    * its parent pid space.
    */
- if (current == task_child_reaper(current))
+ if (sig_cinit)
    continue;

    if (sig_kernel_stop(signr)) {
Index: lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/pid.h
=====
--- lx26-22-rc4-mm2.orig/include/linux/pid.h 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
+++ lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/pid.h 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
@@ -93,6 +93,7 @@ extern struct task_struct *FASTCALL(pid_
extern struct task_struct *FASTCALL(get_pid_task(struct pid *pid,
    enum pid_type));

+extern int is_task_in_pid_ns(struct task_struct *tsk, struct pid_namespace *ns);
extern struct pid *get_task_pid(struct task_struct *task, enum pid_type type);

/*
Index: lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/signal.h
=====
--- lx26-22-rc4-mm2.orig/include/linux/signal.h 2007-06-15 19:04:53.000000000 -0700
+++ lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/signal.h 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
@@ -20,6 +20,7 @@ struct sigqueue {

/* flags values. */

```

```
#define SIGQUEUE_PREALLOC 1
+#define SIGQUEUE_CINIT 2
```

```
struct sigpending {
    struct list_head list;
```

Index: lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/sched.h

```
=====
--- lx26-22-rc4-mm2.orig/include/linux/sched.h 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
+++ lx26-22-rc4-mm2/include/linux/sched.h 2007-06-15 19:22:42.000000000 -0700
@@ -1285,6 +1285,17 @@ static inline int is_global_init(struct
    return tsk == init_pid_ns.child_reaper;
}
```

```
+/**
+ * Return TRUE if the active pid namespace of @tsk is same as active
+ * pid namespace of 'current'
+ *
+ * Note the difference between this function and is_task_in_pid_ns().
+ **/
+static inline int is_same_active_pid_ns(struct task_struct *t)
+{
+    return task_active_pid_ns(t) == task_active_pid_ns(current);
+}
+
+/*
+ * is_container_init:
+ * check whether in the task is init in it's own pid namespace.
```

--

---

Containers mailing list  
Containers@lists.linux-foundation.org  
<https://lists.linux-foundation.org/mailman/listinfo/containers>

---