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Posted by [Sukadev Bhattiprolu](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 05:29:28 GMT

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Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 08:10:51 GMT

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Subject: Re: unshare() pid ns  
Posted by [serue](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 13:34:22 GMT  
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Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 14:11:27 GMT  
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Posted by [Sukadev Bhattiprolu](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 14:19:40 GMT  
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Agree. Eric pointed that out early on.

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Subject: Re: unshare() pid ns  
Posted by [serue](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 14:35:18 GMT

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Alrighty :)

Of course it's not just the kernel ugliness, but also the userspace ugliness, for instance the rumored (I haven't looked to confirm) caching of pids by glibc.

But in the end if we can achieve symmetry between all the CLONE\_NEW\* flags all the better.

-serge

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Subject: Re: unshare() pid ns

Posted by [Cedric Le Goater](#) on Thu, 30 Aug 2007 16:34:29 GMT

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Hello Pavel !

Pavel Emelyanov wrote:

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that would be also very useful to 'enter' such a namespace.

BTW, did you take a look at the sys\_hijack() serge sent ?

Thanks,

C.

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