
Subject: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.

Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Wed, 26 Sep 2007 23:49:54 GMT

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Signed-off-by: Eric W. Biederman <ebiederm@xmission.com>

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include/linux/sched.h      |  1 +
include/net/net_namespace.h | 18 ++++++
kernel/fork.c              |  3 +-
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6 files changed, 83 insertions(+), 5 deletions(-)
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extern struct list_head net_namespace_list;

+#ifdef CONFIG_NET

+extern struct net *copy_net_ns(unsigned long flags, struct net *net_ns);

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+ #else
+ static inline struct net *copy_net_ns(unsigned long flags, struct net *net_ns)
+ {
+ /* There is nothing to copy so this is a noop */
+ return net_ns;
+ }
+ #endif
+
+ extern void __put_net(struct net *net);

static inline struct net *get_net(struct net *net)
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+ #ifdef CONFIG_NET
+ atomic_inc(&net->count);
+ #endif
+ return net;
+ }

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+ #ifdef CONFIG_NET
+ if (atomic_dec_and_test(&net->count))
+ __put_net(net);
+ #endif
+ }

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+ #ifdef CONFIG_NET
+ atomic_inc(&net->use_count);
+ #endif
+ return net;
+ }

static inline void release_net(struct net *net)
{
+ #ifdef CONFIG_NET
+ atomic_dec(&net->use_count);
+ #endif
+ }

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diff --git a/kernel/fork.c b/kernel/fork.c
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@@ -1608,7 +1608,8 @@ asmlinkage long sys_unshare(unsigned long unshare_flags)
    err = -EINVAL;
    if (unshare_flags & ~(CLONE_THREAD|CLONE_FS|CLONE_NEWNS|CLONE_SIGHAND|
        CLONE_VM|CLONE_FILES|CLONE_SYSVSEM|
-   CLONE_NEWUTS|CLONE_NEWIPC|CLONE_NEWUSER))
+   CLONE_NEWUTS|CLONE_NEWIPC|CLONE_NEWUSER|
+   CLONE_NEWNET))
        goto bad_unshare_out;

    if ((err = unshare_thread(unshare_flags)))
diff --git a/kernel/nsproxy.c b/kernel/nsproxy.c
index a4fb7d4..f1decd2 100644
--- a/kernel/nsproxy.c
+++ b/kernel/nsproxy.c
@@ -20,6 +20,7 @@
#include <linux/mnt_namespace.h>
#include <linux/utsname.h>
#include <linux/pid_namespace.h>
+#include <net/net_namespace.h>

static struct kmem_cache *nsproxy_cachep;

@@ -98,8 +99,17 @@ static struct nsproxy *create_new_namespaces(unsigned long flags,
    goto out_user;
}

+ new_nsp->net_ns = copy_net_ns(flags, tsk->nsproxy->net_ns);
+ if (IS_ERR(new_nsp->net_ns)) {
+   err = PTR_ERR(new_nsp->net_ns);
+   goto out_net;
+ }
+
    return new_nsp;

+out_net:
+ if (new_nsp->user_ns)
+   put_user_ns(new_nsp->user_ns);
out_user:
    if (new_nsp->pid_ns)
        put_pid_ns(new_nsp->pid_ns);
@@ -132,7 +142,7 @@ int copy_namespaces(unsigned long flags, struct task_struct *tsk)

    get_nsproxy(old_ns);

- if (!(flags & (CLONE_NEWNS | CLONE_NEWUTS | CLONE_NEWIPC | CLONE_NEWUSER)))
+ if (!(flags & (CLONE_NEWNS | CLONE_NEWUTS | CLONE_NEWIPC | CLONE_NEWUSER |
    CLONE_NEWNET)))
    return 0;

```

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if (!capable(CAP_SYS_ADMIN)) {
@@ -164,6 +174,7 @@ void free_nsproxy(struct nsproxy *ns)
    put_pid_ns(ns->pid_ns);
    if (ns->user_ns)
        put_user_ns(ns->user_ns);
+ put_net(ns->net_ns);
    kmem_cache_free(nsproxy_cachep, ns);
}

@@ -177,7 +188,7 @@ int unshare_nsproxy_namespaces(unsigned long unshare_flags,
    int err = 0;

    if (!(unshare_flags & (CLONE_NEWNS | CLONE_NEWUTS | CLONE_NEWIPC |
-        CLONE_NEWUSER)))
+        CLONE_NEWUSER | CLONE_NEWNET)))
        return 0;

    if (!capable(CAP_SYS_ADMIN))
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index cdba08c..ab4e6da 100644
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menu "Networking options"

+config NET_NS
+ bool "Network namespace support"
+ default n
+ depends on EXPERIMENTAL && !SYSFS
+ help
+   Allow user space to create what appear to be multiple instances
+   of the network stack.
+
    source "net/packet/Kconfig"
    source "net/unix/Kconfig"
    source "net/xfrm/Kconfig"
diff --git a/net/core/net_namespace.c b/net/core/net_namespace.c
index 0e6cb02..e478e35 100644
--- a/net/core/net_namespace.c
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@@ -4,6 +4,7 @@
#include <linux/slab.h>
#include <linux/list.h>
#include <linux/delay.h>
+#include <linux/sched.h>
#include <net/net_namespace.h>

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/*
@@ -32,12 +33,10 @@ void net_unlock(void)
    mutex_unlock(&net_list_mutex);
}

-#if 0
static struct net *net_alloc(void)
{
    return kmem_cache_alloc(net_cachep, GFP_KERNEL);
}
-#endif

static void net_free(struct net *net)
{
@@ -128,6 +127,46 @@ out_undo:
    goto out;
}

+struct net *copy_net_ns(unsigned long flags, struct net *old_net)
+{
+ struct net *new_net = NULL;
+ int err;
+
+ get_net(old_net);
+
+ if (!(flags & CLONE_NEWNET))
+     return old_net;
+
+ #ifndef CONFIG_NET_NS
+     return ERR_PTR(-EINVAL);
+ #endif
+
+ err = -ENOMEM;
+ new_net = net_alloc();
+ if (!new_net)
+     goto out;
+
+ mutex_lock(&net_mutex);
+ err = setup_net(new_net);
+ if (err)
+     goto out_unlock;
+
+ net_lock();
+ list_add_tail(&new_net->list, &net_namespace_list);
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+ }
+ return new_net;
+}
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+static int __init net_ns_init(void)
+{
+  int err;
+}
+
+--
1.5.3.rc6.17.g1911
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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [davem](#) on Thu, 27 Sep 2007 05:04:50 GMT
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From: ebiederm@xmission.com (Eric W. Biederman)
Date: Wed, 26 Sep 2007 17:49:54 -0600

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> additions made to net_namespace.h to allow a few more functions
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Applied to net-2.6.24, thanks Eric.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [Cedric Le Goater](#) on Thu, 27 Sep 2007 08:51:42 GMT
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think we can do much about it for now.

C.

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> return 0;
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> }
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> +
> + get_net(old_net);
> +
> + if (!(flags & CLONE_NEWNET))
> + return old_net;
> +
> + #ifndef CONFIG_NET_NS
> + return ERR_PTR(-EINVAL);
> + #endif

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> +
> + err = -ENOMEM;
> + new_net = net_alloc();
> + if (!new_net)
> + goto out;
> +
> + mutex_lock(&net_mutex);
> + err = setup_net(new_net);
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> + goto out_unlock;
> +
> + net_lock();
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> + }
> + return new_net;
> +}
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> {
> int err;

```

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Cedric Le Goater <clg@fr.ibm.com> writes:

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>
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```

Interesting, it would have been nice if someone had caught this detail earlier. Oh well.

Thanks for pointing this out, it's on my todo list to look into, and ensure we resolve.

I'm confused because my notes have 0x80000000 for the pid namespace, and 0x40000000 for the time namespace.

> The changes in nxproxy.c and fork.c will also conflict but I don't
> think we can do much about it for now.

They should also be fairly easy conflicts to resolve.

I guess we are likely to hit this conflict in the next -mm or the merge window, whichever comes first.

Eric

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [davem](#) on Thu, 27 Sep 2007 19:45:52 GMT
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From: ebiederm@xmission.com (Eric W. Biederman)
Date: Thu, 27 Sep 2007 11:14:33 -0600

> Thanks for pointing this out, it's on my todo list to look into,
> and ensure we resolve.
>
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Eric, pick an appropriate new non-conflicting number NOW.

This adds unnecessary extra work for Andrew Morton, which he has enough of already.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
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David Miller <davem@davemloft.net> writes:

> Eric, pick an appropriate new non-conflicting number NOW.

Done. My apologies for the confusion. I thought the way Cedric and the IBM guys were testing someone would have shouted at me long before now.

> This adds unnecessary extra work for Andrew Morton, which he has
> enough of already.

Cedric made a good point that we will have conflicts of code being added to the same place in nsproxy.c and the like. So I copied Andrew to give him a heads up.

I will gladly do what I can, to help. Working against 3 trees development at the moment is a bit of a development challenge.

Eric

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [davem](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 00:10:53 GMT
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From: ebiederm@xmission.com (Eric W. Biederman)
Date: Thu, 27 Sep 2007 17:00:23 -0600

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Andrew has to work against 30 or so, so multiply your pain by 10 to understand what he has to deal with :-)

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [akpm](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 00:25:33 GMT
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On Thu, 27 Sep 2007 17:10:53 -0700 (PDT)
David Miller <davem@davemloft.net> wrote:

> > I will gladly do what I can, to help. Working against 3 trees
> > development at the moment is a bit of a development challenge.
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I wish! A remerge presently involves pulling and merging 73 git trees, 9 quilt trees and maybe 1,500 -mm patches.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [Mark Nelson](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 00:53:58 GMT
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> Done. My apologies for the confusion. I thought the
> way Cedric and the IBM guys were testing someone would have
> shouted at me long before now.

Sorry Eric, that was me that should have been shouting at you. It got lost because I modified the patches I extracted from your git tree so they would apply to -mm, leaving me thinking there were no extra patches...

Further apologies for dropping the ball - it won't happen again.

Mark.

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Andrew Morton <akpm@linux-foundation.org> writes:

> On Thu, 27 Sep 2007 17:10:53 -0700 (PDT)
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>> Andrew has to work against 30 or so
>
> I wish! A remerge presently involves pulling and merging 73 git trees, 9
> quilt trees and maybe 1,500 -mm patches.

Yep. There is a lot of chaos and keeping on top of it all is a pain,
and nobody has it easy.

Andrew probably wins award for the biggest challenge.

My todo list pales in comparison. I only have 80+ patches in my queue that I need to reviewed and then pushed upstream. 50 sysfs patches to review and get a handle on so hopefully we can out of the sysfs quagmire.

Plus I don't know how many little gotchas that need to be fixed with a new patch of their own.

It's coming together but it takes time.

David, Andrew thanks you both are really are good upstream maintainers to work with.

Eric

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [davem](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 04:26:15 GMT
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From: ebiederm@xmission.com (Eric W. Biederman)
Date: Thu, 27 Sep 2007 21:28:45 -0600

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Just keep the coffee flowing :-)

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Posted by [Cedric Le Goater](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 09:12:13 GMT
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Eric W. Biederman wrote:
> David Miller <davem@davemloft.net> writes:
>
>> Eric, pick an appropriate new non-conflicting number NOW.

>
> Done. My apologies for the confusion. I thought the
> way Cedric and the IBM guys were testing someone would have
> shouted at me long before now.
>
>> This adds unnecessary extra work for Andrew Morton, which he has
>> enough of already.
>
> Cedric made a good point that we will have conflicts of code
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> I copied Andrew to give him a heads up.

here's a suggestion,

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unshare patch to andrew. that should keep nsproxy out of the andrew's
merge challenge. But david's tree will miss the unshare part for a while.

As for the clone flags, the values **must not** conflict but the patches
probably will.

C.

> I will gladly do what I can, to help. Working against 3 trees
> development at the moment is a bit of a development challenge.
>
> Eric
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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [Cedric Le Goater](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 09:16:20 GMT
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Mark Nelson wrote:
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>> way Cedric and the IBM guys were testing someone would have
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>
> Sorry Eric, that was me that should have been shouting at you.
> It got lost because I modified the patches I extracted from your
> git tree so they would apply to -mm, leaving me thinking there
> were no extra patches...

FYI,

Mark is gathering, merging and maintaining all the patches related to linux containers in a quilt tree on called -lxc. It's based on -mm and available here :

<http://lxc.sourceforge.net/patches/2.6.23/2.6.23-rc4-mm1-lxc1/>

> Further apologies for dropping the ball - it won't happen again.

:)

C.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add network namespace clone & unshare support.
Posted by [akpm](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 09:28:42 GMT
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On Fri, 28 Sep 2007 11:12:13 +0200 Cedric Le Goater <clg@fr.ibm.com> wrote:

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Posted by [Cedric Le Goater](#) on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 11:56:04 GMT
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Andrew Morton wrote:

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